

**SURVEY SUBJECT:** Effects of Subsidies **DATES OPEN:** 8 - 22 Sept 09

**SUMMARY FINDINGS:** **NO. OF RESPONDENTS:** 58  
(90% Confid. Level, + / - 10% Error Band)

The US respondents were 53% of total. South America (other than Brazil) was 9%, China was 7%, all others were less.

- 27% of respondents say they receive direct government subsidies.
- only 2% of the total said government subsidies keep them in business.
- 21% believe government subsidies are necessary for research and development.
- 54% believe government research in alternative uses for cellulose creates competitors for the pulp and paper industry.
- 25% of respondents say their government provides tariff protection for domestic pulp and paper products.
- 42% of respondents said their business was hurt this year by the North American black liquor tax credit.
- 93% believe governments should offer tax breaks and research funding to the pulp and paper industry.



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