

2019 Client Outcomes Research Results

The following data were collected from interviews conducted in 2019 with clients¹ 12-18 months after receiving services from WEV about their experiences in 2018. WEV drew a random sample of 154 clients from a pool of 277 to participate and achieved a response rate of 65% (100 total interviews completed).

Summary

Businesses started*	62
New jobs created*	227
Business survival rate	95%
Aggregate business sales	\$9,671,874
Aggregate increase in household income	\$2,858,000

^{*}data estimated based on business start rate multiplied by the number of pre-business clients served and average new jobs per business

Demographics

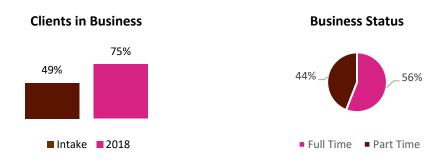
Women represented 91% of survey respondents, and 30% of respondents were Latino. Spanish-speaking clients represented 13% of total respondents.



¹ SET and Spanish SET graduates, Thrive or Avanza clients with 7 or more hours of consulting in 2017, and/or active borrowers or business recovery grant recipients in 2017.

Business Status

Of the 100 clients interviewed, **75% operated a business in 2018**. Of the clients in business, **56% were operating full time**², and 44% were part time. Nearly **half of pre-business clients had started a business**, and of those who were already in business at intake, **95% were still in business** when they were interviewed.



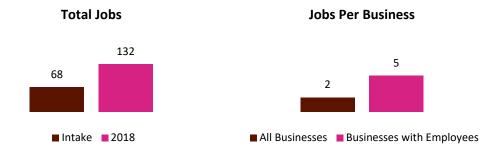
Business Performance

86% of existing businesses had increased their gross sales and 68% increased their owner's draw. Average Annual sales of businesses increased by 156% and owner's draw increased by 278%.



Employees and Job Creation

Of the businesses interviewed, **34% had paid employees**³ besides the owner, with two workers per business and **1.6 new jobs created per business**, on average.

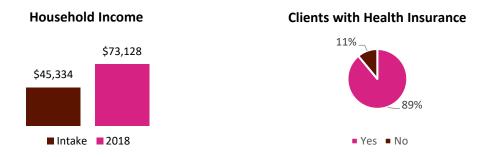


² Full time is considered 35 hours per week or more.

³ According to the US Census Bureau's most recent (2012) Survey of Business Owners, only 20% of US firms had employees.

Financial Health

The average household income of clients in 2018 was \$77,571. Over 60% of clients increased their household income with an average increase of 58%. Nearly 90% of clients who were in poverty at intake had moved out of poverty in 2018, and unemployment among clients dropped from 21% to 5%.



Woman-Owned Businesses (WOBs)

WEV-assisted WOBs represent **89%** of the businesses we serve. Below are statistics of WEV WOBs over the last five years compared to WOBs nationwide⁴:

	WEV WOBs	U.S. WOBs
Average Annual Gross Sales	\$135,128	\$143,000
% with employees	39%	10%
# of employees per business	2	1
% with annual sales over \$1m	2%	2%

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⁴ U.S. Census 2012 Survey of Business Owners