Q1 Please identify your primary business (check all that apply):


# Q2 How would you rate Mother's Day 2018 overall compared to your expectations? 



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Better Than Expected | 25.58\% |  | 11 |
| What I Expected | 51.16\% |  | 22 |
| Less Than I Expected | 23.26\% |  | 10 |
| TOTAL |  |  | 43 |
| \# PLEASE ENTER ANY COMMENTS HERE. |  | DATE |  |
| 1 It was not a good begging but then it moved well |  | 5/20/2018 9:17 PM |  |
| 2 Quality and delivery issues with flowers |  | 5/18/2018 9:10 AM |  |
| 3 We are an export company from The Netherlands |  | 5/17/2018 4:43 PM |  |

# Q3 How were your Mother's Day fresh flower sales compared with last year? 



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Up $20 \%$ or more | $2.33 \%$ | 1 |
| Up $10 \%-19 \%$ | $13.95 \%$ | 6 |
| Up $5 \%-9 \%$ | $23.26 \%$ | 10 |
| Up less than 5\% | $16.28 \%$ | 7 |
| Flat | $11.63 \%$ | 5 |
| Down less than 5\% | $9.30 \%$ | 4 |
| Down $5 \%-9 \%$ | $9.30 \%$ | 4 |
| Down $10 \%-19 \%$ | $6.98 \%$ | 3 |
| Down $20 \%$ or more | $0.00 \%$ | 0 |


| Not Applicable | $6.98 \%$ | 3 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| Other (please specify) | $0.00 \%$ | 0 |
| TOTAL |  | 43 |

Q4 One a scale of 1-4, how satisfied were you with the quality of your flowers?


Q5 How would you rate your Mother's Day 2018 pre-book quantities?


## Q6 How were your Mother's Day flower prices compared to $2017 ?$



# Q7 What percentage of your flowers did you source directly from farms for Mother's Day? 



# Q8 How were your inventory levels at the end of the holiday compared with 2017: 

Answered: 40 Skipped: 3



| ANSWER CHOICES | RESPONSES |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Sold Out | $5.00 \%$ | 2 |
| Nearly Sold Out | $72.50 \%$ | 29 |
| Not Nearly Sold Out | $12.50 \%$ | 5 |
| Had Lots of Product Left | $10.00 \%$ | 4 |
| More than 80 percent | $0.00 \%$ | 0 |
| TOTAL |  | 40 |

## Q9 Were your freight charges higher this year than in 2017?:



# Q10 Were there any special circumstances that helped or hindered your company's Mother's Day performance? (weather, product availability, local economy, etc.) 

Answered: 18 Skipped: 25

| \# | RESPONSES | DATE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | Transportation issues with the airlines | 5/21/2018 3:56 PM |
| 2 | TRANSPORTATION | 5/21/2018 3:51 PM |
| 3 | It helped us to ship from farm a couple days earlier so we didn't have late AWB. | 5/21/2018 1:54 PM |
| 4 | Product availability; shortness. | 5/21/2018 1:46 PM |
| 5 | Weather was an issue to have all production on time, Botrytis was an issue becuase of the rains | 5/20/2018 9:17 PM |
| 6 | Weather, Labor | 5/18/2018 10:49 AM |
| 7 | Poor quality of flowers, lots of customer returns because of the poor quality. Late delivery | 5/18/2018 9:10 AM |
| 8 | Pretty warm weather in Holland. Freight space was very tight. | 5/17/2018 4:43 PM |
| 9 | South American cargo flights were a challenge with many delays. | 5/17/2018 9:48 AM |
| 10 | Weather and Airlines | 5/17/2018 9:37 AM |
| 11 | Delayed shipments hindered some sales. | 5/16/2018 11:18 AM |
| 12 | poor quality curbed sales | 5/15/2018 10:13 AM |
| 13 | none | 5/15/2018 8:51 AM |
| 14 | Trucking and Direct Retail shipments | 5/14/2018 1:28 PM |
| 15 | new salesmang | 5/14/2018 11:50 AM |
| 16 | Delayed flights out of South America made our Mother's Day much more challenging that we would have liked. Also had some late trucks out of Miami which did not help matters. | 5/14/2018 11:04 AM |
| 17 | late freight out of ecuador | 5/14/2018 10:44 AM |
| 18 | Air freight problems/delays out of South America was the worst in 30+ years | 5/14/2018 10:32 AM |

Q11 Describe your sales outlook for the remainder of 2018:


# Q12 What is your company's overall profit outlook for the remainder of the year? 



## Q13 Please add any comments you would like to share concerning your 2018 Mother's Day experience:

Answered: 8 Skipped: 35

| \# | RESPONSES | DATE |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | AIRLINE DELAYS FROM SOUTH AMERICA REALLY AFFECTED PRODUCT QUALITY AND OPPORTUNITY TO SELL MORE, PREBOOKS LOST TO OTHER WHOLESALERS THAT HAD IT NOW | 5/21/2018 3:51 PM |
| 2 | Overall we had a good holiday but we have noticed a trend of not much comeback after pre-books. | 5/21/2018 1:54 PM |
| 3 | great holiday | 5/21/2018 1:52 PM |
| 4 | Looking at freight issues and availability wholesalers in the US should go back to more prebooking. That makes planning easier and more chance to get delivered in time. | 5/17/2018 4:43 PM |
| 5 | Retail shops do not want to commit to prebooks, but expect product to be on hand. Many of our customers report a retail increase of $3 \%$ and that they sold out of product or had very little product left for Monday. I think it could have been a bigger holiday if there had been plans to make it bigger at the retail shop level, | 5/17/2018 11:05 AM |
| 6 | order gatherers are hurting our industry. Sourcing the cheapest flowers should not be our focus. Logistics is becoming a nightmare, too. | 5/15/2018 10:13 AM |
| 7 | Mother's Day is typically a "high" volume holiday and it was this year. The issue looked to me to be one of holding more product due to the reduce production by west coast producers who have moved to marijuana product. It seems that if we are not competing with drug dealers in Latin and South America wasn't enough, we now have to compete with them in the U.S. | 5/14/2018 1:28 PM |
| 8 | Last minute ordering from retailers seems to be what we have to look forward to as the "norm". Weddings and proms seem to be more plentiful these three weekends in May this year compared to other years. | 5/14/2018 11:04 AM |

