



51% in 2022

Have plans to increase staff

26% in 2023

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71% in 2022

Of businesses are finding it difficult to source talent

43% in 2023

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Source: Guidant – Small Business Trends Report, 2022 & 2023

Recruiting & Retention

22% said this was a top business challenge of 2023

Inflation & Price Increases

22% said this was a top business challenge of 2023

April Jobs Report

Bleak outlook from the National Federation of Independent Businesses (NFIB)



Reported hiring (or trying to hire in April)

LABOR QUALITY

Top business issue for SMB owners



Report few to no qualified applicants

The war for talent is REAL!



State of Talent

The "great resignation" could lead to a small business revolution...

TALENT

- "17 million new small businesses will be formed in 2022, 3rd consecutive record year..."
- "...major corporations plan to open their purse strings to retain talent."
- "To compete, small business owners plan to emphasize the close relationships with the owner(s), customers and a sense of belonging..."

Source: Intuit, 2022 Business Insights Report



Absenteeism

A habitual pattern of absence from work

Presenteeism

The occurrence when a worker is physically present in the workplace, but lacks productivity

50%

of the 550 million lost working days in the U.S. are STRESS-related

60%

of workers attribute reoccurring instances of presenteeism to STRESS

\$30 Billion

Approximate cost of lost work days related to stress yearly

\$200 Billion

Approximate cost of lost productivity resulting from presenteeism in the U.S. yearly





Employee Engagement

66% of employees are NOT ENGAGED

17% characterize themselves as ACTIVELY DISENGAGED

*Source: Gallup









"Get the talent side of the equation wrong, and you will always face rough waters. You'll spend all your time dealing with an endless torrent of "what" issues. Get it right, and you'll have clear skies, smooth seas, and easy sailing."











Human Resources

- Recruiting/Hiring
- Onboarding/Orientation
- HR Policies/Procedures & Compliance
- Payroll
- Employee Benefits
- Workers' Compensation
- Retirement/401K



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Traditional hiring is fundamentally flawed

- 1. Lack clarity about what is needed in a job
- 2. Have a weak flow of candidates
- 3. Don't trust their ability to pick out the right candidate from a group of similar-looking candidates
- 4. Lose candidates they really want to join their team

















Administrative HR in Small Business

- Reactive vs Strategic
- Fragmented & Inefficient
- Risk Exposure























