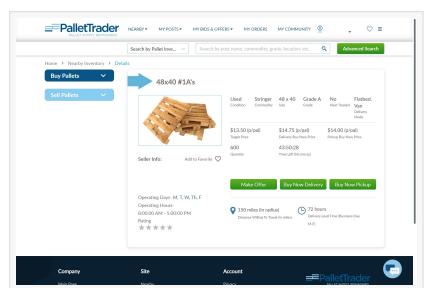


## Third Semi-Annual Pallet Market Survey Finds Buyers, Sellers Cautiously Optimistic on Market Demand, Growth Prospects

Potential impact of tariff policies, lumber prices, rising operating costs and economic uncertainty weigh on market sentiment.

SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ, UNITED STATES, June 30, 2025 /EINPresswire.com/ -- PalletTrader, the U.S. supply chain industry's first online digital marketplace and full-scale pallet management solution, announced today the release of its third Pallet Market Survey Report, a semi-annual poll of pallet market participants gauging their sentiment and forecasts on various market measures and conditions.



The Pallet Trader platform provides a convenient, easy to use online marketplace for posting pallet inventories, automating transactions and setting up deliveries

"Our third <u>semi-annual survey</u> found that both the current viewpoint as well as future outlook sentiment among pallet market participants was generally optimistic yet tempered by a number of potential short- and long-term headwinds," noted John Vaccaro, PalletTrader's chief executive officer. "Among the most widely cited concerns were choppy economic activity due to uncertainty over tariff policies, their scope, duration and potential impact on growth and costs."

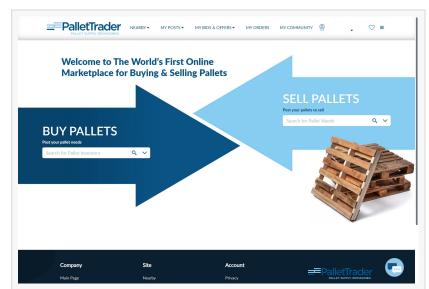
The survey interviewed hundreds of participants in North America over a three-week period concluding in early May of this year. Respondents encompassed pallet suppliers, including manufacturers, resellers and brokers, and pallet buyers in manufacturing, freight forwarding, warehousing and distribution.

The survey found pricing over the past six months for white-wood pallets to be generally flat to slightly increasing, reflecting a stable but tenuous balance between supply and demand. Some sellers nevertheless reported higher competitive pressures that depressed pallet pricing in some regions, likely representing changing supply chain dynamics as well as buyer caution due to

economic uncertainty.

Among the headwinds cited were tariff increases, anticipated to have a negative impact by 60 percent of respondents; and lumber prices, with 60 percent of respondents expecting increases this year. Inflation and general operations expenses also were cited as ongoing cost concerns.

Looking ahead, respondents expect demand to remain relatively strong over the next three months, coinciding with shipping's annual peak season. While modest growth was expected from existing customers, some 42 percent of suppliers and 56 percent of buyers anticipate substantial growth from new customers.



Pallet Trader brings to the industry the benefits and efficiencies of an eCommerce platform specifically designed for buyers and sellers of pallets, streamlining business processes and opening up new markets

On the supply side, 71 percent of respondents reported no change in pallet supply compared to six months ago, with only 7 percent experiencing tightening. Some 79 percent of respondents



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John Vaccaro, CEO, PalletTrader forecast no change in supply over the next three months. Lastly, the survey found that on-hand pallet inventory retreated to more normalized levels, with 67 percent reporting two weeks or less of on-hand inventory. Only 10 percent reported inventory levels greater than 30 days.

PalletTrader operates as an independent, neutral online business platform, enabling and streamlining the sale and collection of pallets in a collaborative, secure self-service eCommerce environment, or under a fully managed service, providing its user community with workflows and tools to drive new efficiencies and visibility into pallet supply and management. It was conceived, funded and built by <a href="Bettaway">Bettaway</a> Supply Chain Services.

For more information about PalletTrader please visit <a href="www.pallettrader.com">www.pallettrader.com</a>, phone us at (877) 777-7495 or email support@pallettrader.com. To obtain a free copy of the full report, visit this link.

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