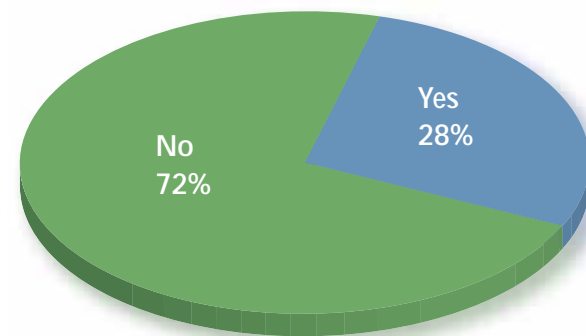


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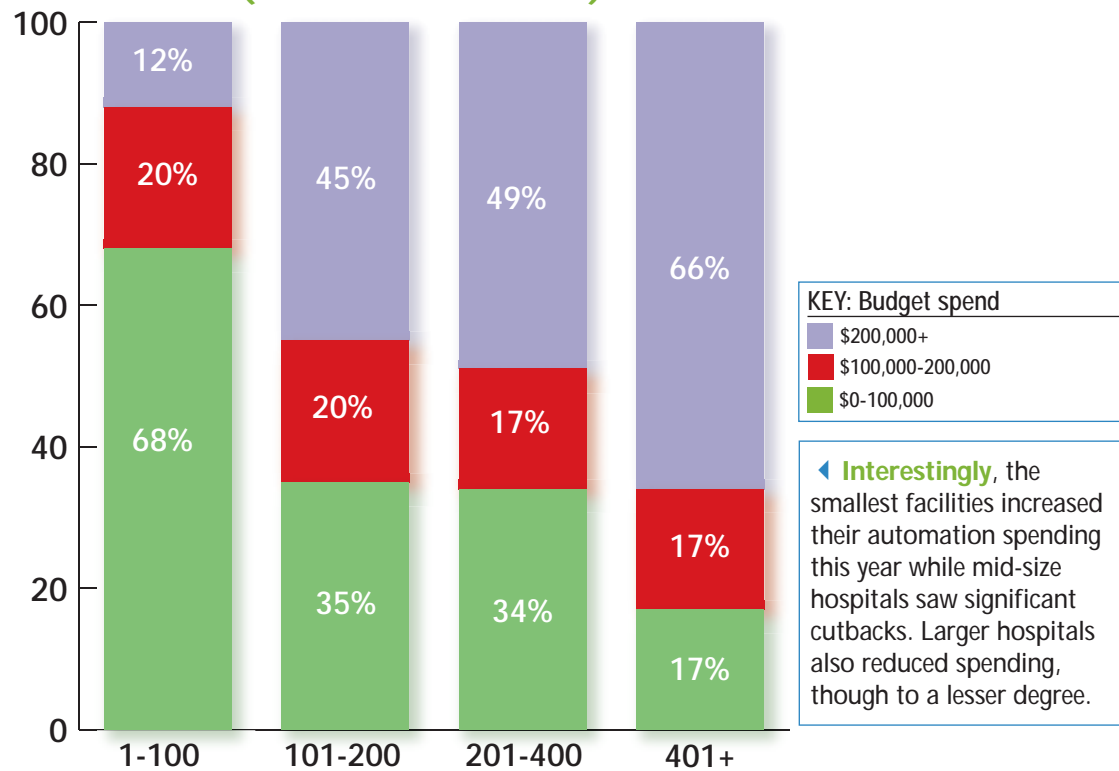
**In comparison** to last year's widespread growth, budgets in 2009 have begun to tighten. Austerity measures are predicted to continue for the 67% of facilities that are not expecting further budget growth in 2010. On the bright side, hospitals with fewer than 200 beds enjoyed budget growth this year and most facilities expect to see budget increases returning in the next few years.

## Budget Reductions

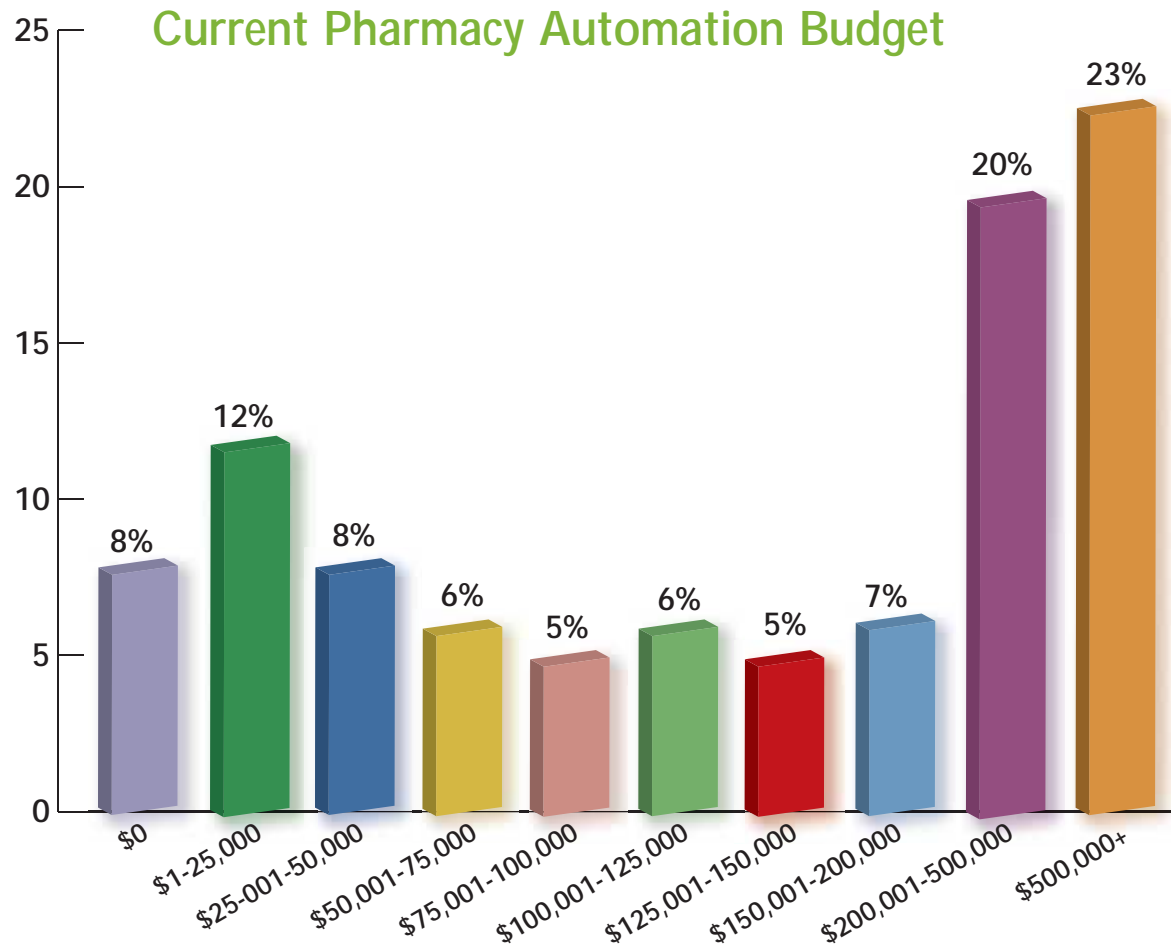


▲ **More than** one quarter of all facilities had their budgets reduced from the original number this year.

## Automation Budget by Facility Size (in number of beds)



## Current Pharmacy Automation Budget



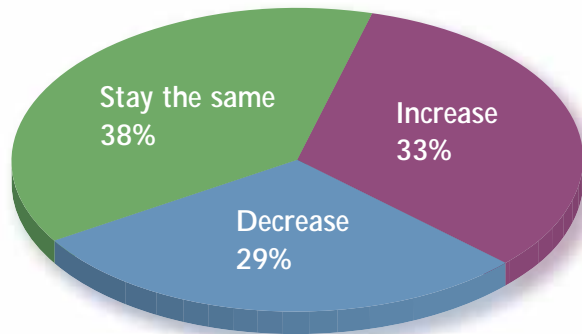
◀ **Following last year's strong growth**, the amounts budgeted for pharmacy automation held steady this year.

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## Projected Budgets

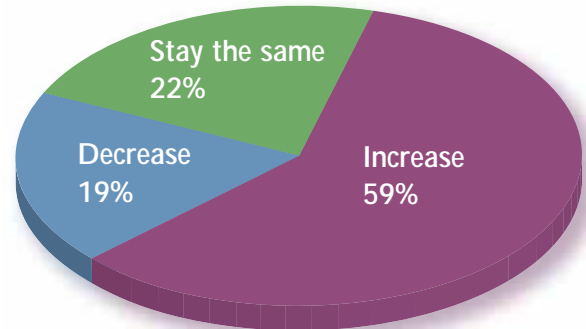
### Next Year's Fiscal Budget

► **Predictions for 2010** automation spending raise concerns as only one third of facilities expect to see an increase in their budget.

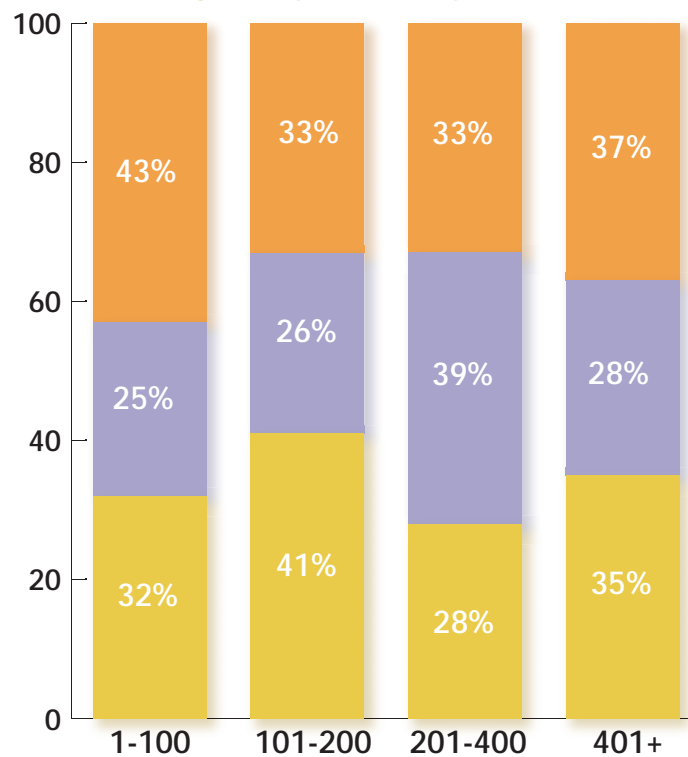


### Next Three to Five Years' Budgets

► **The outlook** for the long term improves somewhat: 59% of facilities expect to see budget increases in the next three to five years.



### Next Year's Budget by Facility Size (in number of beds)



**KEY: Budget predictions**

- Stay the same
- Decrease
- Increase

◀ **Mid-sized hospitals** (200-400 beds) are expecting the strongest belt tightening in 2010.

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