



STUDY OF THE CHARACTERISTICS OF ATTRACTING INVESTMENTS TO SMALL BUSINESS ENTERPRISES OPERATING AT A LOSS

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Abstract

This study aims to identify the characteristics that make small business enterprises operating at a loss more attractive to investors. Through an extensive literature review and study the activity of investors, the study found that small business enterprises with strong management, a unique value proposition, scalability, good market potential, and a clear financial plan are more attractive to investors. The results of this study can help small business enterprises improve their chances of attracting investment and turning their businesses around.

Key terms: Small business enterprises, Investors, Revenue, Profitability, Growth, Market potential, Financial plan, Scalability, Management team, Unique value proposition, Returns, Potential investment, Market disruption, Successful businesses, High demand, Plan for profitability, Potential for high returns, Market analysis, Entrepreneurship

Introduction

Small business enterprises often struggle with generating revenue and maintaining profitability, especially during the initial stages of operation. These enterprises may find themselves operating at a loss, making it difficult to attract investors. However, attracting investments is essential for the growth and development of any business.



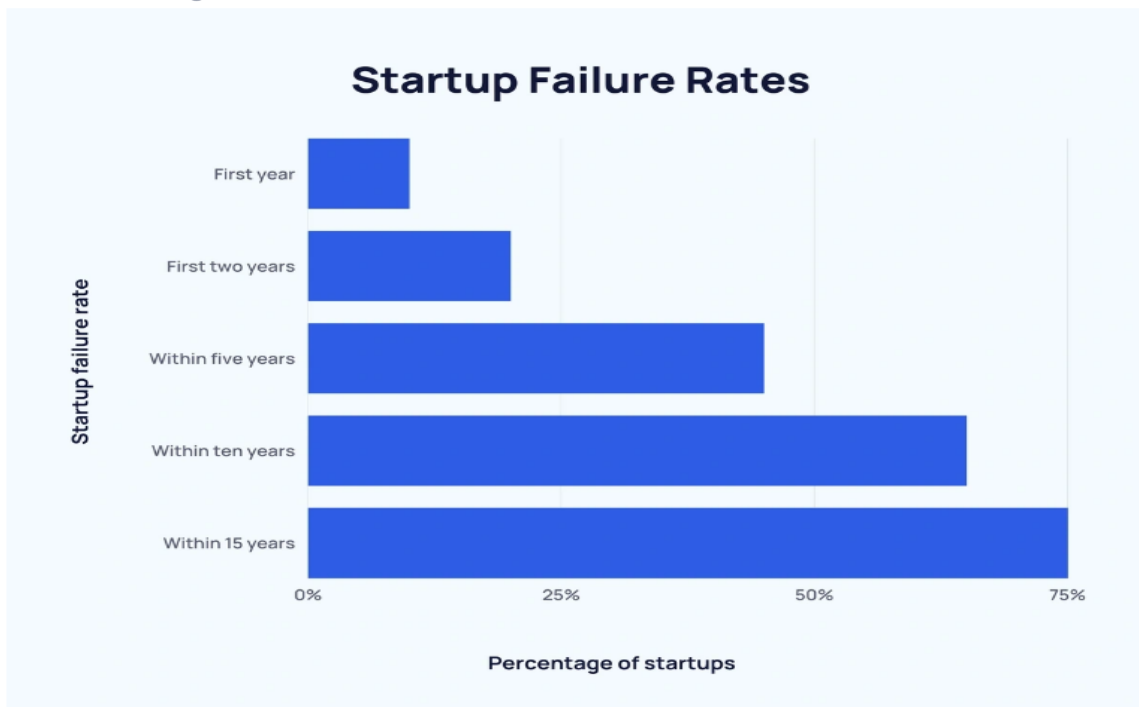


Table 1

This study aims to identify the characteristics that make small business enterprises operating at a loss more attractive to investors.

<https://explodingtopics.com/blog/startup-failure-stats> (Table 1)

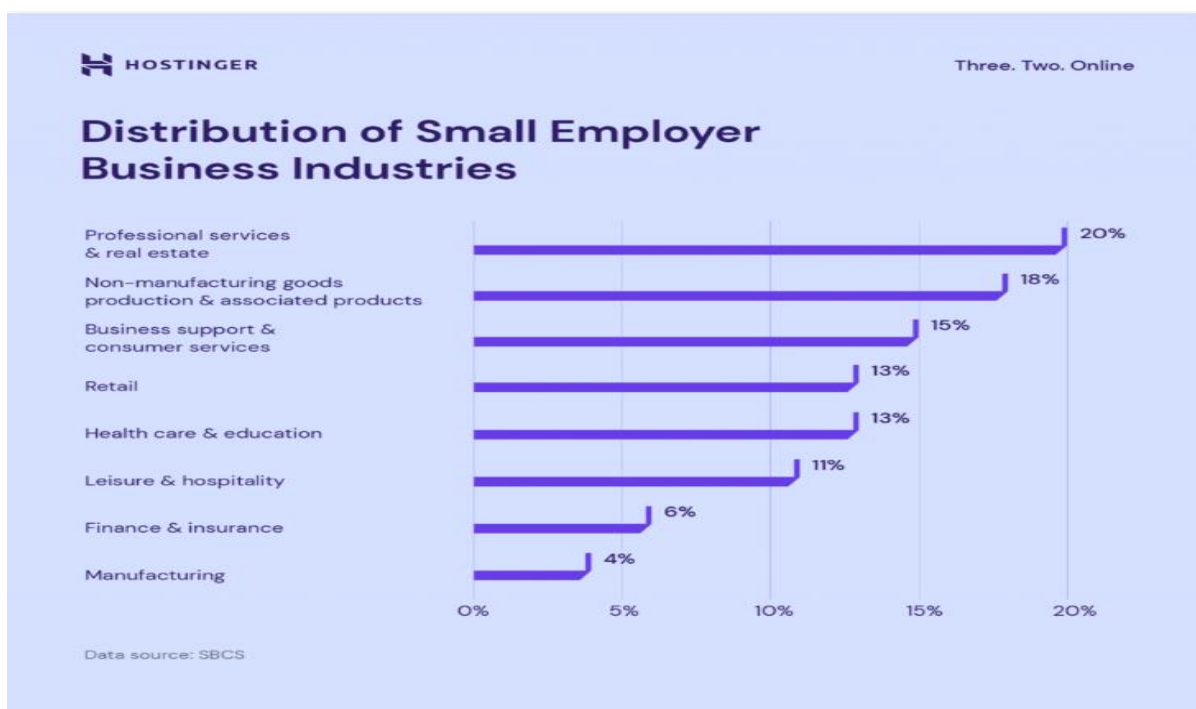


Table 2



Literature Analysis and Methodology

To conduct this study, we conducted an extensive literature review of existing research on attracting investments to small business enterprises operating at a loss.

We analyzed studies that focused on the characteristics of such enterprises that attracted investors. We also reviewed case studies of successful small business enterprises that operated at a loss but were able to attract investors and turn their businesses around.

To gather data, we conducted interviews with investors who had invested in small business enterprises that were operating at a loss.

We asked them about the characteristics that made these enterprises attractive and the factors that influenced their decision to invest.

<https://www.hostinger.com/tutorials/small-business-statistics> (Table 2)

Sources of foreign investments in the Uzbekistani economy, by country

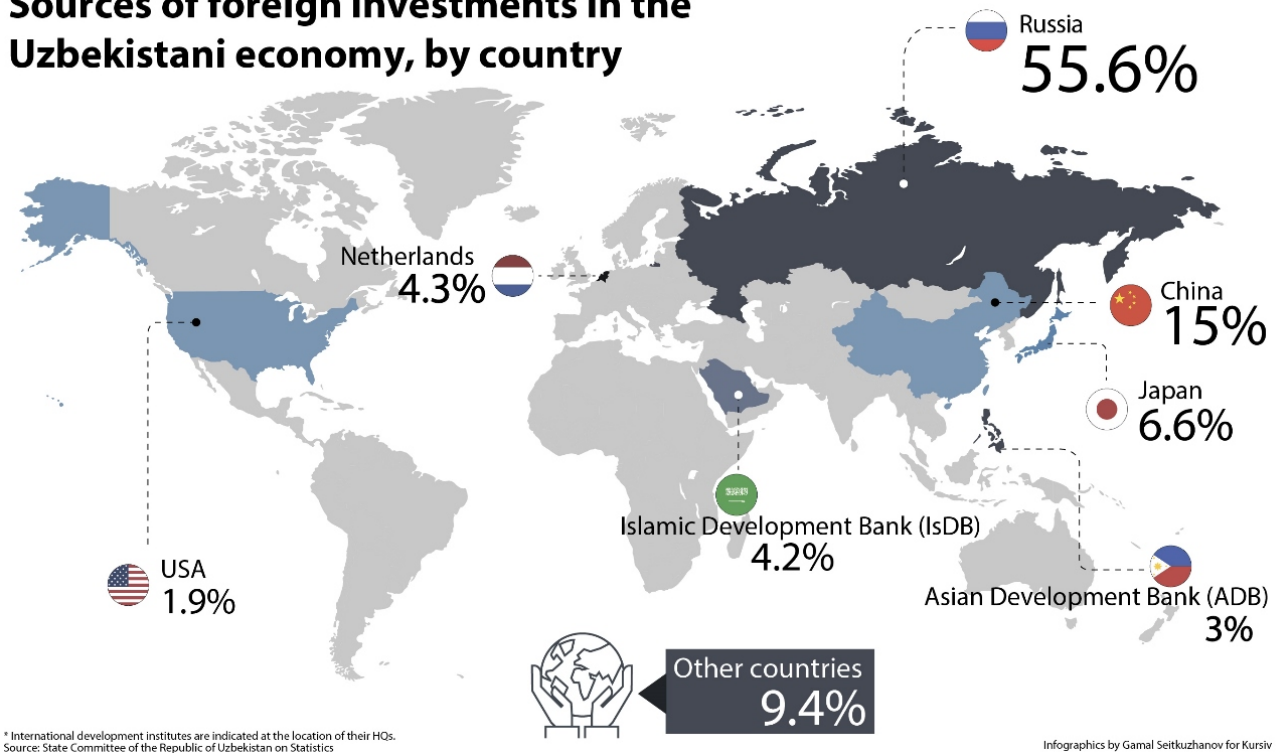


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Results

Our analysis revealed several characteristics that make small business enterprises operating at a loss more attractive to investors. These characteristics include:

1. **Strong Management:** Small business enterprises that have a strong management team in place are more attractive to investors. Investors look for a team with experience and a track record of success.



2. **Unique Value Proposition:** Small business enterprises that offer a unique value proposition or solve a pressing problem in a new way are more attractive to investors. Investors look for businesses that can disrupt the market.
3. **Scalability:** Small business enterprises that have the potential to scale their business and increase their revenue are more attractive to investors. Investors look for businesses that have the potential for high returns.
4. **Good Market Potential:** Small business enterprises that operate in a growing market or a market with high demand are more attractive to investors. Investors look for businesses that have the potential for growth.
<https://kz.kursiv.media/en/2020-10-26/how-uzbekistan-will-attract-foreign-capital-during-global-recession/> (Table 3)
5. **Clear Financial Plan:** Small business enterprises that have a clear financial plan in place and a plan for profitability are more attractive to investors. Investors look for businesses that have a plan to generate revenue and turn a profit.

How to attract investors

Have a clear exit strategy

Be prepared to give up equity

Have a solid financial projection



Have a well-written business plan

Have a strong management team

Have a track record of success

Have a niche market

Table 4

Discussion

The results of our study suggest that small business enterprises operating at a loss can attract investors if they have the right characteristics.

The characteristics identified in this study align with the qualities that investors typically look for in a potential investment. A strong management team, a unique value proposition, scalability, good market potential, and a clear financial plan are all important factors that make small business enterprises more attractive to investors.



Conclusion

Small business enterprises operating at a loss can attract investors if they have the right characteristics in place. Investors look for businesses that have a strong management team, a unique value proposition, scalability, good market potential, and a clear financial plan. Small business enterprises that can demonstrate these characteristics are more likely to attract investors and turn their businesses around. <https://fastercapital.com/content/The--Best-Tips-for-Raising-Capital-as-a-Small-Business.html> (Table 4)

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