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**Summary:** Using a research design that combines open-ended interviews with a quantitative survey of about 700 businesses, we find, on average, cost-to-price passthroughs in the 60 percent range during a period of elevated inflation—when firms were intensely knowledgeable about, and focused on, prices and costs. These estimates mask considerable heterogeneity, with some firms reporting a passthrough greater than one. Firms report that the key determinants of their pricing decisions include the strength of demand, maintaining steady profit margins, labor and nonlabor costs, and competitors' prices.

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