

Business Pulse

September 2019

Sector Snapshot		Industry	Services	Retail	Construction
Balance (change on previous reading)					
Business Activity*	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+15% (-4)	+12% (-3)	-4% (+4)	+14% (-5)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+22% (-8)	+5% (-9)	+8% (-6)	+18% (-4)
Order Books	<i>Current</i>	-4% (-1)	-8% (-1)		+1% (-1)
Stocks	<i>Current</i>	+5% (+6)		+9% (+1)	
Input Costs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+29% (0)	+34% (+1)	+35% (-1)	+45% (-4)
Selling Prices	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+14% (-2)	+11% (0)	+16% (+7)	+24% (-1)
Jobs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+6% (-9)	+1% (-1)	+3% (-2)	+2% (-6)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+3% (-4)	+2% (-1)	+4% (+4)	+6% (+1)

*Business Activity refers to production in the case of industry, demand/turnover for services, sales for retail and building activity for construction.

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Note: Balances are calculated as the difference between positive and negative responses (using weighted averages for questions with multiple options).

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