

Business Pulse

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Sector Snapshot		Industry	Services	Retail	Construction
Balance (change on previous reading)					
Business Activity*	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+31% (+2)	+29% (-1)	+20% (-7)	+29% (+3)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+52% (-8)	+50% (-7)	+49% (+2)	+48% (-5)
Order Books	<i>Current</i>	-8% (-4)	-10% (-1)		-6% (+12)
Stocks	<i>Current</i>	-3% (-1)		+12% (-3)	
Input Costs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+29% (-1)	+31% (+4)	+36% (+2)	+50% (+17)
Selling Prices	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+14% (-1)	+14% (+1)	+14% (+4)	+28% (-2)
Jobs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+15% (+1)	+9% (+1)	+13% (+5)	+5% (-4)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+22% (+2)	+18% (-4)	+9% (-1)	+24% (0)

*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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