

Business Pulse

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Sector Snapshot		Industry	Services	Retail	Construction
Balance (change on previous reading)					
Business Activity*	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+32% (-3)	+25% (-1)	+15% (+5)	+35% (-1)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+46% (+9)	+38% (+8)	+30% (+5)	+55% (+16)
Order Books	<i>Current</i>	-6% (-4)	-4% (-3)		+13% (+1)
Stocks	<i>Current</i>	-3% (+1)		+6% (-5)	
Input Costs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+40% (+5)	+32% (-2)	+40% (+6)	+48% (-3)
Selling Prices	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+23% (+1)	+18% (+1)	+16% (+7)	+40% (+6)
Jobs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+10% (-6)	+4% (-2)	+4% (-1)	+10% (-4)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+15% (-2)	+11% (+2)	+7% (+6)	+26% (+2)

*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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