

# Business Pulse

July 2017

Sector Snapshot		Industry	Services	Retail	Construction
Balance (change on previous reading)					
<b>Business Activity*</b>	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+26% (-1)	+31% (-4)	+4% (+4)	+31% (+13)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+42% (+1)	+34% (-3)	+26% (+3)	+39% (+1)
<b>Order Books</b>	<i>Current</i>	-7% (+3)	-4% (0)		+3% (+8)
<b>Stocks</b>	<i>Current</i>	-2% (-1)		+10% (0)	
<b>Input Costs</b>	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+39% (+3)	+33% (+1)	+31% (-1)	+59% (+6)
<b>Selling Prices</b>	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+17% (+3)	+15% (-4)	+9% (+5)	+32% (+6)
<b>Jobs</b>	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+15% (-1)	+9% (0)	+7% (-1)	+13% (-1)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+15% (-2)	+13% (+1)	0% (-3)	+21% (-3)

\*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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