

# Business Pulse

July 2020

Sector Snapshot		Industry	Services	Retail	Construction
Balance (change on previous reading)					
<b>Business Activity*</b>	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	-51% (+16)	-44% (+13)	-43% (+12)	-41% (+40)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+24% (-3)	+25% (-2)	+11% (-2)	+32% (+2)
<b>Order Books</b>	<i>Current</i>	-39% (+18)	-44% (+16)		-31% (+24)
<b>Stocks</b>	<i>Current</i>	0% (0)		+4% (-9)	
<b>Input Costs</b>	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+3% (+6)	+4% (+23)	+8% (+9)	+26% (+12)
<b>Selling Prices</b>	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+5% (+4)	+4% (+1)	+7% (+3)	+10% (+7)
<b>Jobs</b>	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	-25% (0)	-29% (+12)	-20% (+6)	-11% (+14)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+2% (+1)	+11% (-7)	-4% (0)	+3% (+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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