

Business Pulse

May 2022

Sector Snapshot		Industry	Services	Retail	Construction
Balance (change on previous reading)					
Business Activity*	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+16% (+7)	+29% (-5)	+3% (+3)	+13% (-8)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+20% (-5)	+26% (-5)	+19% (-5)	+13% (-6)
Order Books	<i>Current</i>	-14% (-6)	-8% (0)		+7% (-3)
Stocks	<i>Current</i>	-6% (-7)		+4% (0)	
Input Costs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+89% (-1)	+79% (+2)	+86% (+3)	+96% (+5)
Selling Prices	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+71% (-10)	+45% (-2)	+75% (+3)	+76% (-6)
Jobs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+1% (-2)	+8% (+2)	+2% (-2)	+4% (-1)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+16% (+1)	+16% (-3)	+9% (-2)	+17% (+7)

*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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