

Business Pulse

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Sector Snapshot		Industry	Services	Retail	Construction
Balance (change on previous reading)					
Business Activity*	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+29% (+2)	+28% (-4)	+5% (-7)	+33% (+3)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+35% (-7)	+25% (+1)	+36% (0)	+39% (+2)
Order Books	<i>Current</i>	0% (+4)	-4% (+1)		+16% (+4)
Stocks	<i>Current</i>	-3% (+2)		+10% (-1)	
Input Costs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+40% (-3)	+36% (+2)	+26% (-1)	+54% (-3)
Selling Prices	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+20% (+2)	+14% (+3)	+12% (+4)	+33% (+2)
Jobs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+15% (+3)	+4% (-1)	+5% (+1)	+17% (+5)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+15% (-2)	+8% (0)	+5% (-2)	+20% (+5)

*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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