

Business Pulse

September 2021

Sector Snapshot		Industry	Services	Retail	Construction
Balance (change on previous reading)					
Business Activity*	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+25% (-2)	+40% (+3)	+22% (0)	+41% (+6)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+39% (-7)	+31% (-8)	+30% (+2)	+37% (+6)
Order Books	<i>Current</i>	+1% (+6)	-9% (+11)		+26% (+12)
Stocks	<i>Current</i>	-9% (-3)		-2% (-2)	
Input Costs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+76% (0)	+55% (+5)	+56% (0)	+87% (0)
Selling Prices	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+59% (+6)	+25% (+7)	+50% (+1)	+76% (+7)
Jobs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+13% (+4)	+8% (-1)	+6% (-3)	+9% (-5)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+19% (+1)	+11% (-1)	+14% (+4)	+21% (+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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