

Business Pulse

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Sector Snapshot		Industry	Services	Retail	Construction
Balance (change on previous reading)					
Business Activity*	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+27% (+6)	+32% (+2)	+12% (+3)	+37% (+6)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+46% (-2)	+27% (-7)	+38% (+6)	+42% (0)
Order Books	<i>Current</i>	-6% (+7)	-7% (+1)		+15% (+12)
Stocks	<i>Current</i>	-4% (0)		+8% (+1)	
Input Costs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+29% (+3)	+29% (-1)	+26% (+4)	+49% (+7)
Selling Prices	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+15% (+3)	+7% (0)	+9% (+4)	+29% (+7)
Jobs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+15% (-3)	+9% (-2)	+7% (-3)	+17% (+6)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+17% (+1)	+7% (0)	+4% (-4)	+23% (+2)

*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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