

The Bank of Ireland Economic Pulse came in at 91.3 in April 2019. The index, which combines the results of the Consumer and Business Pulses, was up 1.9 on last month but down 3.5 on a year ago.

The double miss with respect to the UK's departure from the EU – both the original Brexit date of March 29th and the subsequent April 12th deadline came and went – and the further extension of Article 50 helped lift the business mood this month, whereas households' continuing nervousness about the economy kept consumer confidence largely in check.

KEY POINTS

- Economic Pulse up in April
- Sideways move for the Consumer Pulse
- Business Pulse firms

ECONOMIC PULSE

APRIL 2019

91.3

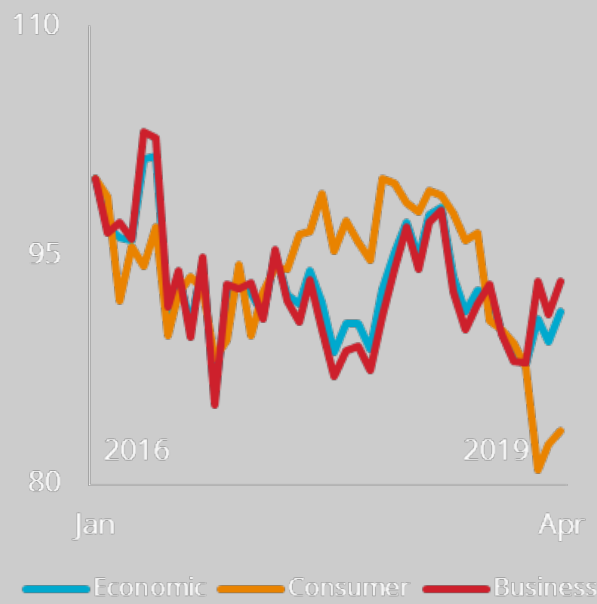
+1.9 on previous index reading

“With B-day and the threat of a no deal exit pushed out, the Economic Pulse ticked up this month.”

Dr Loretta O’Sullivan

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PULSE TRENDS



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