

The Bank of Ireland Economic Pulse stood at 79.1 in August 2019. The index, which combines the results of the Consumer and Business Pulses, was down 3.7 on last month and 12.2 lower than a year ago.

With Boris Johnson taking up office as UK Prime Minister and raising the stakes on the Brexit front, and the Central Bank here publishing estimates of the damage a no deal departure would potentially do to the Irish economy in the short run, the mood among households and firms was gloomier this month and the Economic Pulse hit a new low.

KEY POINTS

- Economic Pulse down in August
- Households lead the charge lower
- Business confidence also softer

ECONOMIC PULSE

AUGUST 2019

79.1

-3.7 on previous index reading

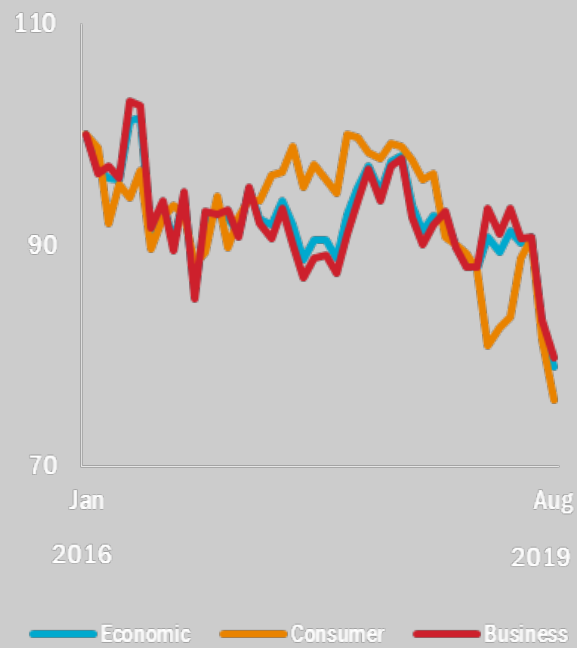
“The Economic Pulse headed south again in August and sentiment could remain ropery for a while yet given the unsettled Brexit backdrop.”

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