

The Bank of Ireland Regional Pulses bring together the views of households and firms around the country. The 3 month moving averages show that sentiment was up across the board in September 2020.

Firms in all regions reported an improvement in recent trading conditions this month, though Brexit is a concern for businesses and households in Connacht/Ulster especially. Households in the Rest of Leinster were a little less downbeat about the economy and their own finances however, whereas Dublin households were more so than last month, reflecting the lifting of the 'midlands' lockdown in the former case and the likely imposition of local restrictions in the latter.



KEY POINTS

- Regional Pulses up in September
- Mixed consumer picture
- Brexit on firms' radar



DUBLIN PULSE

SEPTEMBER 2020

65.7

+5.0 on previous index reading
(3 Month Moving Average)

REST OF LEINSTER PULSE

SEPTEMBER 2020

64.1

+1.9 on previous index reading
(3 Month Moving Average)

MUNSTER PULSE

SEPTEMBER 2020

57.5

+0.6 on previous index reading
(3 Month Moving Average)

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CONNACHT / ULSTER PULSE

SEPTEMBER 2020

62.9

+4.6 on previous index reading
(3 Month Moving Average)

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“Four in five businesses in Connacht/Ulster expect Brexit to negatively impact their region in the coming year, compared with three in four elsewhere.”

Dr Loretta O’Sullivan

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September 2020

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