

## KEY POINTS

- Services Pulse down in August
- 53% of firms reporting an increase in non-labour input costs over the past 3 months
- 22% expect to raise their selling prices in the near term

## SERVICES PULSE

AUGUST 2021

**88.6**

-3.6 on previous index reading

## DEMAND / TURNOVER

### Past 3 Months



50%



36%



14%

Balance +37%  
(+2 on previous reading)



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## DEMAND / TURNOVER

### Next 3 Months



48%



42%



9%

Balance +39%  
(0 on previous reading)



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## JOBS

### Past 3 Months



20%



69%



11%

Balance +9%  
(-2 on previous reading)

## JOBS

### Next 3 Months



19%



74%



7%

Balance +12%  
(0 on previous reading)

# INPUT COSTS EXCLUDING LABOUR

Past 3 Months



53%



NO  
CHANGE

45%



3%

Balance +50%  
(+4 on previous reading)

# SELLING PRICES

Next 3 Months



22%



NO  
CHANGE

75%



3%

Balance +18%  
(-7 on previous reading)