

Business Pulse

December 2021

Sector Snapshot		Industry	Services	Retail	Construction
Balance (change on previous reading)					
Business Activity*	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+29% (+4)	+9% (-15)	+15% (-3)	+28% (-11)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+16% (-21)	+6% (-15)	+8% (-23)	+28% (+1)
Order Books	<i>Current</i>	0% (-3)	-21% (-5)		+21% (+1)
Stocks	<i>Current</i>	-7% (-2)		+7% (+8)	
Input Costs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+80% (-3)	+67% (+4)	+74% (+4)	+87% (+3)
Selling Prices	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+66% (+1)	+32% (-2)	+62% (+1)	+68% (-5)
Jobs	<i>Past 3 Months</i>	+12% (+3)	-3% (-7)	+6% (-1)	+8% (-1)
	<i>Next 3 months</i>	+16% (-2)	+7% (-4)	+9% (0)	+17% (-4)

*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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