

7.1 The WIFO Business Cycle Survey (WIFO-Konjunkturtest)

	Jul 2016	Aug 2016	Sep 2016	Oct 2016	Nov 2016	Dec 2016	Jan 2017	Feb 2017	Mar 2017	Apr 2017	May 2017
	Index values, seasonally adjusted ¹										
Business climate indicator	+ 4.0	+ 4.3	+ 6.3	+ 6.9	+ 9.2	+ 11.0	+ 10.8	+ 12.4	+ 13.7	+ 15.1	+ 15.4
Index of the current business situation	+ 3.7	+ 4.8	+ 6.4	+ 6.9	+ 8.7	+ 10.6	+ 11.9	+ 11.9	+ 16.6	+ 17.1	+ 16.8
Index of business expectations	+ 4.3	+ 3.8	+ 6.2	+ 6.8	+ 9.8	+ 11.4	+ 9.7	+ 12.8	+ 10.9	+ 13.2	+ 14.0
Sectoral business climate indices											
manufacturing	+ 0.4	+ 0.0	+ 4.7	+ 4.5	+ 6.4	+ 7.2	+ 8.7	+ 9.5	+ 11.7	+ 11.1	+ 13.5
construction	- 0.3	+ 1.0	+ 4.3	+ 7.9	+ 8.9	+ 12.2	+ 13.4	+ 15.2	+ 18.5	+ 17.5	+ 17.1
services	+ 6.9	+ 7.4	+ 7.6	+ 8.1	+ 11.0	+ 13.0	+ 11.5	+ 13.6	+ 14.0	+ 17.0	+ 16.3
Business climate in manufacturing											
Index of the current business situation	+ 0.3	+ 0.2	+ 4.1	+ 2.7	+ 4.2	+ 4.5	+ 8.8	+ 8.3	+ 13.7	+ 11.5	+ 13.1
Index of business expectations	+ 0.3	- 0.3	+ 5.1	+ 6.2	+ 8.6	+ 9.8	+ 8.7	+ 10.8	+ 9.8	+ 10.7	+ 13.6
	Share of firms in %										
Total order books at least sufficient	+ 69.2	+ 70.7	+ 72.7	+ 71.4	+ 73.4	+ 73.5	+ 76.8	+ 76.6	+ 79.7	+ 78.8	+ 78.6
Export order books at least sufficient	+ 62.5	+ 62.9	+ 65.5	+ 63.6	+ 65.4	+ 64.6	+ 67.0	+ 67.1	+ 71.7	+ 69.0	+ 72.2
	Balances ²										
Current stock of finished products	+ 9.0	+ 10.7	+ 6.9	+ 5.2	+ 5.4	+ 5.4	+ 4.0	+ 3.5	+ 4.4	+ 5.0	+ 4.2
Production expectations for the next 3 months	+ 4.7	+ 6.0	+ 10.1	+ 11.4	+ 13.9	+ 12.0	+ 13.8	+ 14.6	+ 14.6	+ 14.2	+ 17.5
Expected development of the business situation over the next 6 months	+ 1.3	- 0.4	+ 7.1	+ 6.0	+ 9.8	+ 15.0	+ 7.9	+ 13.0	+ 7.9	+ 9.6	+ 13.5
Expected development of selling prices over the next 3 months	+ 2.7	+ 3.6	+ 1.2	+ 4.4	+ 4.7	+ 6.3	+ 10.5	+ 9.4	+ 13.9	+ 12.4	+ 12.0

Source: WIFO Business Cycle Survey, WDS - WIFO Data System, Macrobond. Partly funded by the European Union – ¹ Index values range from minimum: -100 to maximum: +100, positive values signal an optimistic, negative values a pessimistic business climate. – ² Difference of positive and negative responses in % of all firms.

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