



## BUSINESS CLIMATE INDICATOR FOR THE EURO AREA



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### **Business Climate Indicator drops in May**

In May 2017, the Business Climate Indicator (BCI) for the euro area dropped (-0.20 points to +0.90). The correction was driven by managers' sharply worsened assessment of the *past production* and, to a lesser extent, the *stocks of finished products*. By contrast, managers' *production expectations* and their views on *overall order books* and *export order books* improved.

### **Information**

The Directorate-General Economic and Financial Affairs (DG ECFIN) of the European Commission publishes the Business Climate Indicator every month. Information on the computation of the BCI is available in the Methodological User Guide ([http://ec.europa.eu/economy\\_finance/db\\_indicators/surveys/method\\_guides/index\\_en.htm](http://ec.europa.eu/economy_finance/db_indicators/surveys/method_guides/index_en.htm))

The data of the surveys is processed by DG ECFIN's Unit Economic situation, forecasts, business and consumer surveys (A3), Sector Business and consumer surveys and short-term forecast.

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Jan-85	-0.13	Jan-90	1.04	Jan-95	1.31	Jan-00	0.73	Jan-05	0.36
Feb-85	-0.39	Feb-90	0.96	Feb-95	1.34	Feb-00	1.03	Feb-05	0.15
Mar-85	-0.56	Mar-90	0.95	Mar-95	1.18	Mar-00	1.23	Mar-05	-0.07
Apr-85	-0.32	Apr-90	0.86	Apr-95	0.98	Apr-00	1.03	Apr-05	-0.26
May-85	-0.14	May-90	0.83	May-95	0.95	May-00	1.47	May-05	-0.26
Jun-85	-0.06	Jun-90	0.61	Jun-95	0.67	Jun-00	1.25	Jun-05	-0.22
Jul-85	0.02	Jul-90	0.70	Jul-95	0.62	Jul-00	1.22	Jul-05	-0.07
Aug-85	0.05	Aug-90	0.62	Aug-95	0.46	Aug-00	1.21	Aug-05	-0.08
Sep-85	0.00	Sep-90	0.46	Sep-95	0.20	Sep-00	1.16	Sep-05	0.03
Oct-85	0.10	Oct-90	0.36	Oct-95	0.03	Oct-00	1.19	Oct-05	0.17
Nov-85	-0.15	Nov-90	0.27	Nov-95	-0.18	Nov-00	1.16	Nov-05	0.14
Dec-85	0.00	Dec-90	0.25	Dec-95	-0.39	Dec-00	1.03	Dec-05	0.37
Jan-86	-0.24	Jan-91	-0.02	Jan-96	-0.50	Jan-01	0.97	Jan-06	0.32
Feb-86	-0.34	Feb-91	-0.46	Feb-96	-0.79	Feb-01	0.74	Feb-06	0.57
Mar-86	-0.43	Mar-91	-0.56	Mar-96	-1.02	Mar-01	0.55	Mar-06	0.76
Apr-86	-0.11	Apr-91	-0.38	Apr-96	-1.00	Apr-01	0.18	Apr-06	1.07
May-86	-0.22	May-91	-0.56	May-96	-1.12	May-01	0.20	May-06	0.91
Jun-86	0.00	Jun-91	-0.60	Jun-96	-1.14	Jun-01	-0.11	Jun-06	1.28
Jul-86	-0.11	Jul-91	-0.58	Jul-96	-0.96	Jul-01	-0.25	Jul-06	1.18
Aug-86	-0.10	Aug-91	-0.66	Aug-96	-0.91	Aug-01	-0.36	Aug-06	1.12
Sep-86	-0.07	Sep-91	-0.81	Sep-96	-0.74	Sep-01	-0.90	Sep-06	1.23
Oct-86	-0.21	Oct-91	-0.74	Oct-96	-0.62	Oct-01	-1.07	Oct-06	1.20
Nov-86	-0.33	Nov-91	-0.74	Nov-96	-0.69	Nov-01	-1.19	Nov-06	1.33
Dec-86	-0.17	Dec-91	-0.91	Dec-96	-0.62	Dec-01	-1.01	Dec-06	1.41
Jan-87	-0.34	Jan-92	-0.88	Jan-97	-0.35	Jan-02	-1.12	Jan-07	1.22
Feb-87	-0.46	Feb-92	-0.62	Feb-97	-0.30	Feb-02	-0.86	Feb-07	1.41
Mar-87	-0.37	Mar-92	-0.66	Mar-97	-0.30	Mar-02	-0.72	Mar-07	1.46
Apr-87	-0.25	Apr-92	-0.69	Apr-97	0.10	Apr-02	-0.44	Apr-07	1.53
May-87	-0.14	May-92	-0.87	May-97	0.07	May-02	-0.29	May-07	1.44
Jun-87	-0.04	Jun-92	-0.89	Jun-97	0.41	Jun-02	-0.46	Jun-07	1.50
Jul-87	0.02	Jul-92	-1.00	Jul-97	0.62	Jul-02	-0.47	Jul-07	1.36
Aug-87	0.14	Aug-92	-1.21	Aug-97	0.56	Aug-02	-0.51	Aug-07	1.31
Sep-87	0.22	Sep-92	-1.54	Sep-97	0.86	Sep-02	-0.49	Sep-07	1.14
Oct-87	0.18	Oct-92	-1.88	Oct-97	0.89	Oct-02	-0.35	Oct-07	0.88
Nov-87	0.35	Nov-92	-2.11	Nov-97	0.81	Nov-02	-0.32	Nov-07	1.06
Dec-87	0.37	Dec-92	-2.29	Dec-97	0.97	Dec-02	-0.27	Dec-07	0.91
Jan-88	0.33	Jan-93	-2.43	Jan-98	1.00	Jan-03	-0.33	Jan-08	0.79
Feb-88	0.49	Feb-93	-2.28	Feb-98	0.99	Feb-03	-0.29	Feb-08	0.72
Mar-88	0.58	Mar-93	-2.24	Mar-98	1.16	Mar-03	-0.66	Mar-08	0.82
Apr-88	0.53	Apr-93	-2.43	Apr-98	1.09	Apr-03	-0.45	Apr-08	0.47
May-88	0.79	May-93	-2.37	May-98	0.98	May-03	-0.76	May-08	0.57
Jun-88	0.90	Jun-93	-2.34	Jun-98	0.94	Jun-03	-0.74	Jun-08	0.21
Jul-88	0.79	Jul-93	-2.34	Jul-98	0.89	Jul-03	-0.85	Jul-08	-0.05
Aug-88	0.99	Aug-93	-2.16	Aug-98	0.72	Aug-03	-0.46	Aug-08	-0.16
Sep-88	1.04	Sep-93	-1.91	Sep-98	0.43	Sep-03	-0.49	Sep-08	-0.67
Oct-88	1.15	Oct-93	-1.80	Oct-98	-0.01	Oct-03	-0.16	Oct-08	-1.25
Nov-88	1.29	Nov-93	-1.50	Nov-98	-0.10	Nov-03	0.04	Nov-08	-2.21
Dec-88	1.37	Dec-93	-1.39	Dec-98	-0.29	Dec-03	0.04	Dec-08	-3.09
Jan-89	1.30	Jan-94	-1.06	Jan-99	-0.48	Jan-04	0.11	Jan-09	-3.17
Feb-89	1.21	Feb-94	-0.69	Feb-99	-0.60	Feb-04	-0.04	Feb-09	-3.72
Mar-89	1.26	Mar-94	-0.46	Mar-99	-0.51	Mar-04	-0.08	Mar-09	-3.89
Apr-89	1.23	Apr-94	-0.21	Apr-99	-0.61	Apr-04	0.37	Apr-09	-3.64
May-89	1.23	May-94	0.06	May-99	-0.51	May-04	0.26	May-09	-3.50
Jun-89	1.37	Jun-94	0.23	Jun-99	-0.28	Jun-04	0.38	Jun-09	-3.17
Jul-89	1.12	Jul-94	0.41	Jul-99	-0.18	Jul-04	0.51	Jul-09	-2.90
Aug-89	1.24	Aug-94	0.54	Aug-99	-0.06	Aug-04	0.49	Aug-09	-2.28
Sep-89	1.06	Sep-94	0.79	Sep-99	0.15	Sep-04	0.44	Sep-09	-2.13
Oct-89	1.06	Oct-94	0.99	Oct-99	0.38	Oct-04	0.48	Oct-09	-1.78
Nov-89	1.12	Nov-94	1.22	Nov-99	0.66	Nov-04	0.33	Nov-09	-1.40
Dec-89	1.06	Dec-94	1.30	Dec-99	0.71	Dec-04	0.42	Dec-09	-1.10