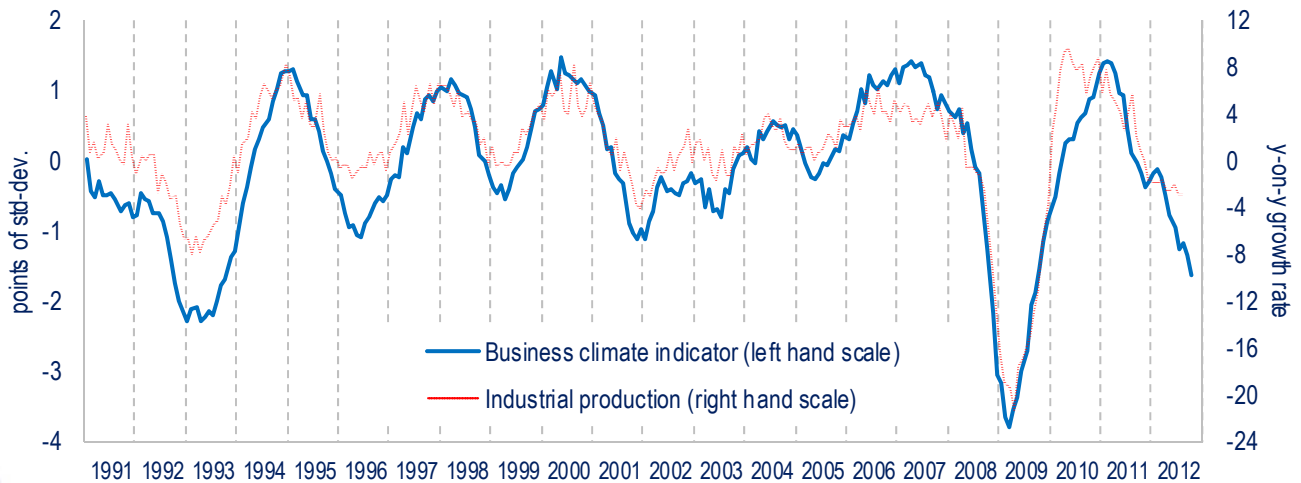


BUSINESS CLIMATE INDICATOR FOR THE EURO AREA

October 2012



source: European Commission services

Business Climate Indicator continues to decrease in October

In October 2012, the Business Climate Indicator (BCI) for the euro area decreased by 0.28 points to -1.62. The decline was driven by markedly worsened assessments of *order books* (overall and export) and *past production*. Managers' *production expectations* and their assessment of the adequacy of their *stocks of finished products* also worsened.

Information

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)

The data of the surveys is processed by the Directorate-General Financial and Economic Affairs (DG ECFIN), Unit Economic situation, forecasts, business and consumer surveys (A4), Sector Business and consumer surveys and short-term forecast.

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Upcoming releases:	Flash Consumer Confidence Indicator	22 November 2012
	Economic Sentiment Indicator	29 November 2012
	Business Climate Indicator for the euro area	29 November 2012

Business climate indicator, euro area

Jan-85	0.02	Jan-90	0.96	Jan-95	1.28	Jan-00	0.78	Jan-05	0.36	Jan-10	-0.70
Feb-85	-0.09	Feb-90	0.89	Feb-95	1.30	Feb-00	1.05	Feb-05	0.17	Feb-10	-0.52
Mar-85	-0.11	Mar-90	0.88	Mar-95	1.12	Mar-00	1.27	Mar-05	-0.05	Mar-10	-0.17
Apr-85	-0.18	Apr-90	0.77	Apr-95	0.92	Apr-00	1.01	Apr-05	-0.24	Apr-10	0.24
May-85	-0.07	May-90	0.80	May-95	0.93	May-00	1.47	May-05	-0.27	May-10	0.30
Jun-85	-0.17	Jun-90	0.53	Jun-95	0.60	Jun-00	1.25	Jun-05	-0.19	Jun-10	0.30
Jul-85	-0.04	Jul-90	0.69	Jul-95	0.58	Jul-00	1.21	Jul-05	-0.02	Jul-10	0.54
Aug-85	-0.09	Aug-90	0.62	Aug-95	0.42	Aug-00	1.16	Aug-05	-0.07	Aug-10	0.62
Sep-85	-0.12	Sep-90	0.44	Sep-95	0.14	Sep-00	1.11	Sep-05	0.05	Sep-10	0.68
Oct-85	0.02	Oct-90	0.35	Oct-95	0.00	Oct-00	1.15	Oct-05	0.16	Oct-10	0.87
Nov-85	-0.12	Nov-90	0.28	Nov-95	-0.19	Nov-00	1.09	Nov-05	0.12	Nov-10	0.90
Dec-85	-0.03	Dec-90	0.31	Dec-95	-0.40	Dec-00	0.99	Dec-05	0.35	Dec-10	1.24
Jan-86	-0.05	Jan-91	0.03	Jan-96	-0.50	Jan-01	0.93	Jan-06	0.29	Jan-11	1.40
Feb-86	-0.05	Feb-91	-0.44	Feb-96	-0.74	Feb-01	0.69	Feb-06	0.53	Feb-11	1.42
Mar-86	-0.13	Mar-91	-0.51	Mar-96	-0.94	Mar-01	0.52	Mar-06	0.71	Mar-11	1.39
Apr-86	0.08	Apr-91	-0.28	Apr-96	-0.92	Apr-01	0.16	Apr-06	1.01	Apr-11	1.25
May-86	-0.17	May-91	-0.48	May-96	-1.05	May-01	0.21	May-06	0.83	May-11	0.97
Jun-86	-0.01	Jun-91	-0.48	Jun-96	-1.09	Jun-01	-0.18	Jun-06	1.21	Jun-11	0.94
Jul-86	-0.14	Jul-91	-0.45	Jul-96	-0.88	Jul-01	-0.26	Jul-06	1.07	Jul-11	0.46
Aug-86	-0.20	Aug-91	-0.55	Aug-96	-0.80	Aug-01	-0.32	Aug-06	1.02	Aug-11	0.10
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Jan-87	-0.17	Jan-92	-0.78	Jan-97	-0.27	Jan-02	-1.11	Jan-07	1.11	Jan-12	-0.18
Feb-87	-0.19	Feb-92	-0.47	Feb-97	-0.20	Feb-02	-0.85	Feb-07	1.33	Feb-12	-0.13
Mar-87	-0.12	Mar-92	-0.54	Mar-97	-0.25	Mar-02	-0.71	Mar-07	1.35	Mar-12	-0.25
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Oct-87	0.20	Oct-92	-1.76	Oct-97	0.92	Oct-02	-0.33	Oct-07	0.73	Oct-12	-1.62
Nov-87	0.40	Nov-92	-1.99	Nov-97	0.84	Nov-02	-0.29	Nov-07	0.94		
Dec-87	0.33	Dec-92	-2.15	Dec-97	1.00	Dec-02	-0.19	Dec-07	0.81		
Jan-88	0.40	Jan-93	-2.28	Jan-98	1.04	Jan-03	-0.32	Jan-08	0.71		
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Mar-88	0.68	Mar-93	-2.08	Mar-98	1.15	Mar-03	-0.65	Mar-08	0.72		
Apr-88	0.50	Apr-93	-2.28	Apr-98	1.09	Apr-03	-0.40	Apr-08	0.38		
May-88	0.79	May-93	-2.23	May-98	0.95	May-03	-0.72	May-08	0.54		
Jun-88	0.78	Jun-93	-2.16	Jun-98	0.94	Jun-03	-0.69	Jun-08	0.17		
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Sep-88	0.93	Sep-93	-1.78	Sep-98	0.48	Sep-03	-0.47	Sep-08	-0.73		
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Jun-89	1.25	Jun-94	0.31	Jun-99	-0.19	Jun-04	0.42	Jun-09	-3.00		
Jul-89	0.97	Jul-94	0.47	Jul-99	-0.09	Jul-04	0.57	Jul-09	-2.71		
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Sep-89	0.96	Sep-94	0.85	Sep-99	0.21	Sep-04	0.47	Sep-09	-1.90		
Oct-89	0.98	Oct-94	1.01	Oct-99	0.43	Oct-04	0.51	Oct-09	-1.55		
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