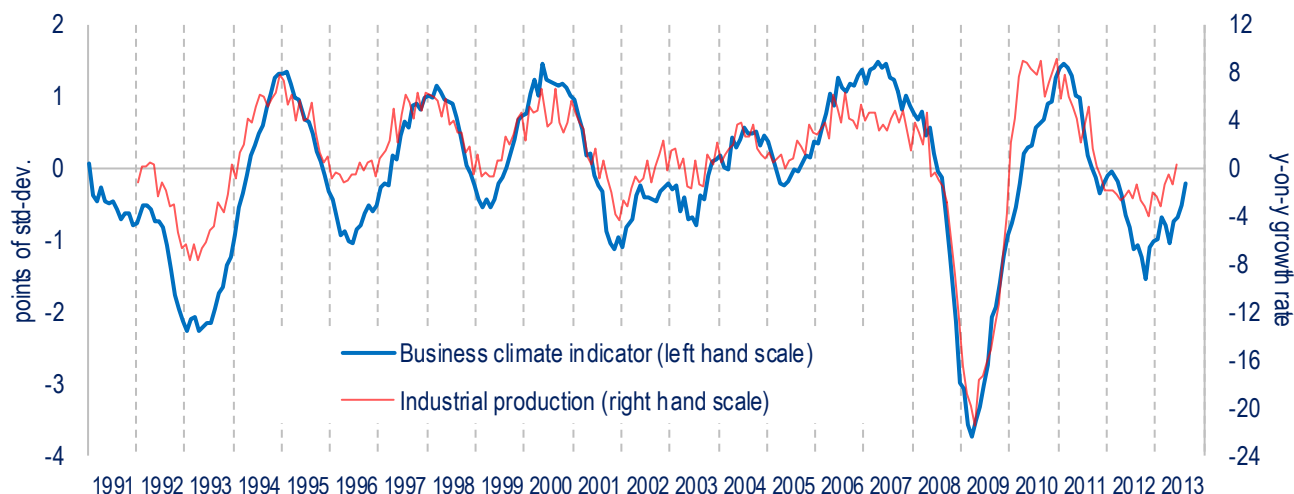




## BUSINESS CLIMATE INDICATOR FOR THE EURO AREA



source: European Commission services

### Business Climate Indicator increases further in August

In August 2013, the Business Climate Indicator (BCI) for the euro area rose for the fourth successive month. It increased markedly by 0.31 points to -0.21. The assessment of *past production*, the level of *overall order books* and *production expectations* improved sharply. Also the level of *export order books* and the *stocks of finished products* were appraised more positively.

### 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](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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<b>Upcoming releases:</b>	Flash Consumer Confidence Indicator	20 September 2013
	Economic Sentiment Indicator	27 September 2013
	Business Climate Indicator for the euro area	27 September 2013

**Business climate indicator, euro area**

Jan-85	0.06	Jan-90	1.02	Jan-95	1.32	Jan-00	0.76	Jan-05	0.39	Jan-10	-0.76
Feb-85	-0.05	Feb-90	0.95	Feb-95	1.34	Feb-00	1.04	Feb-05	0.18	Feb-10	-0.55
Mar-85	-0.09	Mar-90	0.94	Mar-95	1.18	Mar-00	1.24	Mar-05	-0.02	Mar-10	-0.21
Apr-85	-0.15	Apr-90	0.82	Apr-95	0.99	Apr-00	1.02	Apr-05	-0.20	Apr-10	0.20
May-85	-0.03	May-90	0.84	May-95	0.97	May-00	1.47	May-05	-0.24	May-10	0.29
Jun-85	-0.12	Jun-90	0.59	Jun-95	0.67	Jun-00	1.25	Jun-05	-0.17	Jun-10	0.32
Jul-85	-0.01	Jul-90	0.72	Jul-95	0.64	Jul-00	1.22	Jul-05	-0.01	Jul-10	0.56
Aug-85	-0.07	Aug-90	0.65	Aug-95	0.50	Aug-00	1.19	Aug-05	-0.05	Aug-10	0.63
Sep-85	-0.09	Sep-90	0.49	Sep-95	0.24	Sep-00	1.15	Sep-05	0.07	Sep-10	0.69
Oct-85	0.05	Oct-90	0.41	Oct-95	0.09	Oct-00	1.18	Oct-05	0.19	Oct-10	0.91
Nov-85	-0.09	Nov-90	0.34	Nov-95	-0.11	Nov-00	1.14	Nov-05	0.15	Nov-10	0.94
Dec-85	0.01	Dec-90	0.36	Dec-95	-0.32	Dec-00	1.03	Dec-05	0.38	Dec-10	1.28
Jan-86	-0.01	Jan-91	0.08	Jan-96	-0.42	Jan-01	0.97	Jan-06	0.34	Jan-11	1.41
Feb-86	-0.01	Feb-91	-0.37	Feb-96	-0.69	Feb-01	0.73	Feb-06	0.56	Feb-11	1.46
Mar-86	-0.08	Mar-91	-0.47	Mar-96	-0.92	Mar-01	0.55	Mar-06	0.76	Mar-11	1.41
Apr-86	0.10	Apr-91	-0.27	Apr-96	-0.89	Apr-01	0.18	Apr-06	1.05	Apr-11	1.30
May-86	-0.13	May-91	-0.46	May-96	-1.01	May-01	0.22	May-06	0.88	May-11	1.02
Jun-86	0.00	Jun-91	-0.48	Jun-96	-1.04	Jun-01	-0.11	Jun-06	1.25	Jun-11	0.98
Jul-86	-0.10	Jul-91	-0.46	Jul-96	-0.85	Jul-01	-0.23	Jul-06	1.13	Jul-11	0.54
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Dec-86	-0.17	Dec-91	-0.80	Dec-96	-0.51	Dec-01	-0.95	Dec-06	1.38	Dec-11	-0.22
Jan-87	-0.14	Jan-92	-0.77	Jan-97	-0.26	Jan-02	-1.08	Jan-07	1.17	Jan-12	-0.09
Feb-87	-0.17	Feb-92	-0.51	Feb-97	-0.21	Feb-02	-0.83	Feb-07	1.37	Feb-12	-0.03
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Jul-87	0.13	Jul-92	-0.83	Jul-97	0.66	Jul-02	-0.40	Jul-07	1.28	Jul-12	-1.14
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Jul-88	0.75	Jul-93	-2.16	Jul-98	0.89	Jul-03	-0.79	Jul-08	-0.03	Jul-13	-0.52
Aug-88	0.95	Aug-93	-1.97	Aug-98	0.72	Aug-03	-0.38	Aug-08	-0.14	Aug-13	-0.21
Sep-88	0.99	Sep-93	-1.73	Sep-98	0.45	Sep-03	-0.43	Sep-08	-0.66		
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