

BUSINESS EXPECTATIONS FOR THE MANUFACTURING SECTOR (Forecast For The Next Quarter) [TABLE A14.2]

	2005			2006				2007				2008	2008
	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II	III	IV	I	II
	Net Weighted Balance In Percentage Terms												
General Business Expectations (For Next 6 Months)	+24	+16	+15	+26	+26	+22	+7	+26	+22	+25	+2	-7	+1
Numbers Employed	+4	+9	+7	+14	+28	+22	+23	+20	+9	+14	+11	+3	+4
New Orders Received	+12	+11	-10	+12	+15	+24	0	+31	+28	+20	+9	+4	+20
Output	+30	+24	-6	+23	+16	+27	+2	+38	+30	+20	+14	-1	+18
Direct Export Overseas	+15	+9	-10	+12	+13	+31	-2	+33	+26	+22	+4	+5	+18
Stocks of Finished Goods	+1	+7	-15	+6	+10	-11	-15	+4	+7	-2	0	-11	-7
Average Selling Prices	-13	-12	-16	-15	-2	-12	-8	-8	-9	-7	-10	-9	-8

Note: "Net weighted balance" is the difference between the weighted percentages of "ups" and "downs".
A plus sign indicates a net upward trend and a minus sign denotes a net downward trend.

Source: Economic Development Board