

EUROCHAMBRES ECONOMIC SURVEY 2018



50.000
BUSINESSES
FROM 23
COUNTRIES

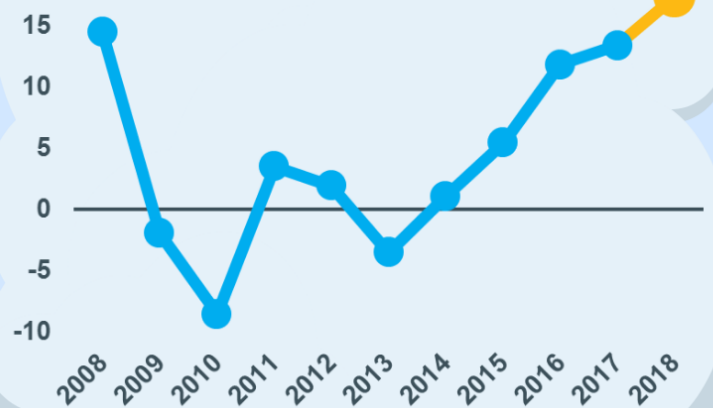


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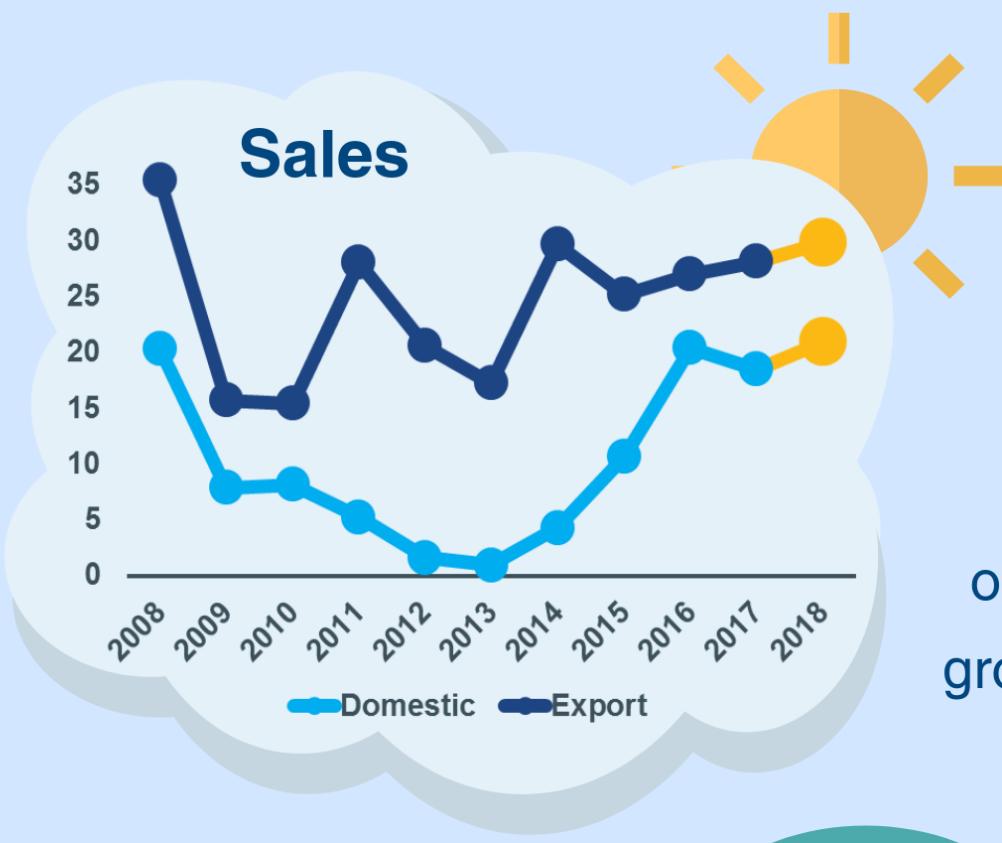


Employment



Bolstered by relatively stable economic conditions, European businesses are generally optimistic about 2018.

In line with their general optimism, businesses anticipate workforce expansion for a fifth consecutive year.



High consumer confidence, strong intra-EU trade expectations and opportunities in fast-growing markets lead to positive sales expectations.

EES methodology is explained in the report accessible via: <http://bit.ly/2j61EU2>

Top 2018 Challenges

Lack of skilled workers ranks second among challenges for the first time for EES2018.

Apart from in Ireland and Malta, European businesses do not identify Brexit as a significant challenge.

1. Domestic demand
2. Lack of skilled workers
3. Labour costs
4. Energy & raw materials prices
5. Financing conditions
6. Foreign demand
7. Exchange rates
8. Impact of Brexit