



Manufacturing Economic Outlook 2022/Q2

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Overview

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- UK and export order growth slows
- Price growth is again record-breaking, but margins are falling sharply
- Employment slows and investment intentions nose-dive
- Expectations for Q3 2022 maintain growth expectation regardless
- Manufacturing output growth forecast revised down for both 2022 to 2.3%, and 2023 to 1.7%
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Lockdown lag means orders still outstrip output

% Balance between increase/decrease in output/orders over the past three months





Export orders falling, UK orders still strong

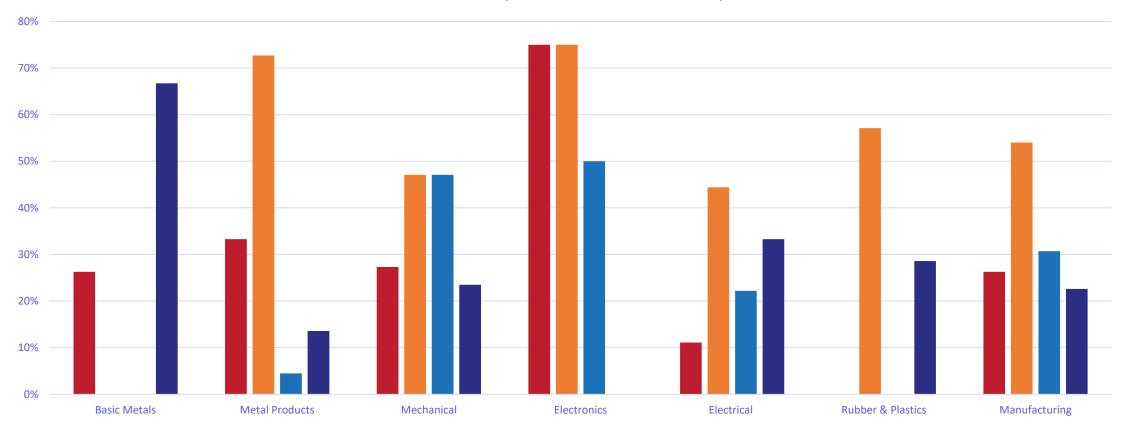
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Covid upsurge in China sees inquiries from Asia increase

Region(s) manufacturers have seen a notable pick-up in demand (past three months)



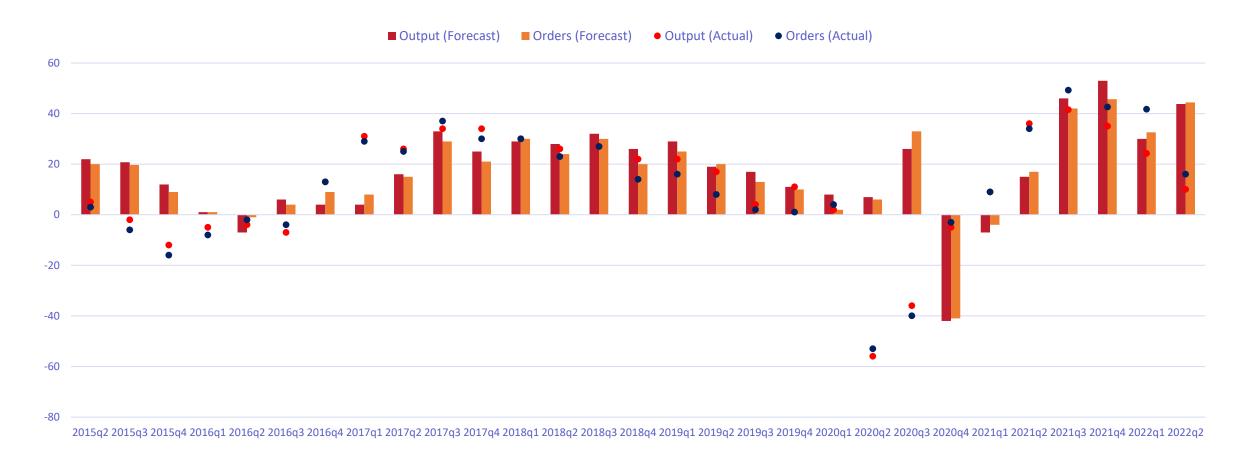
■ Asia ■ Europe ■ North America ■ No Pick-up



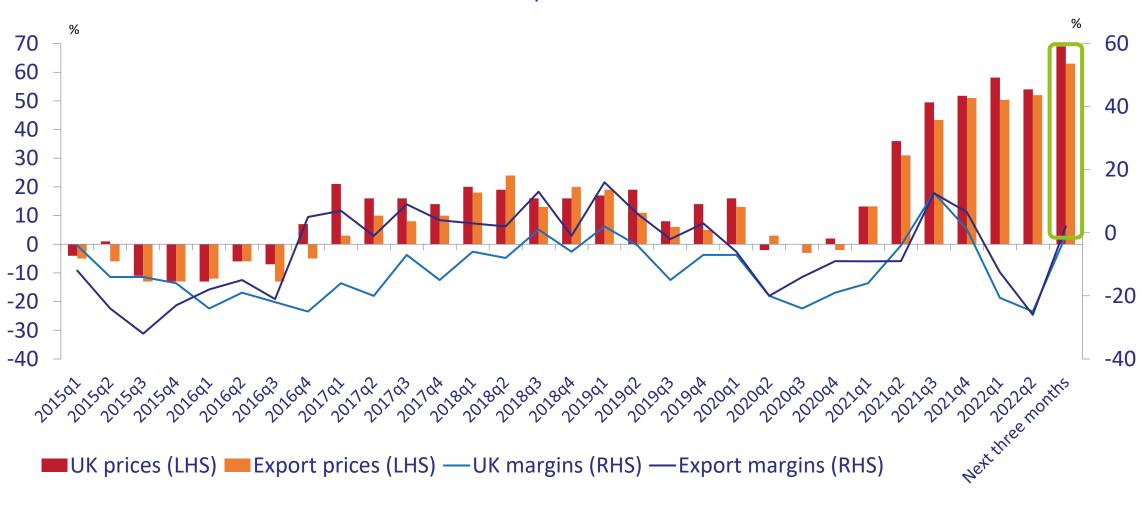


Reality falls short of industry expectations as headwinds mount

% Balance between increase/decrease in orders over the next three months



5th consecutive record-breaking quarter for prices



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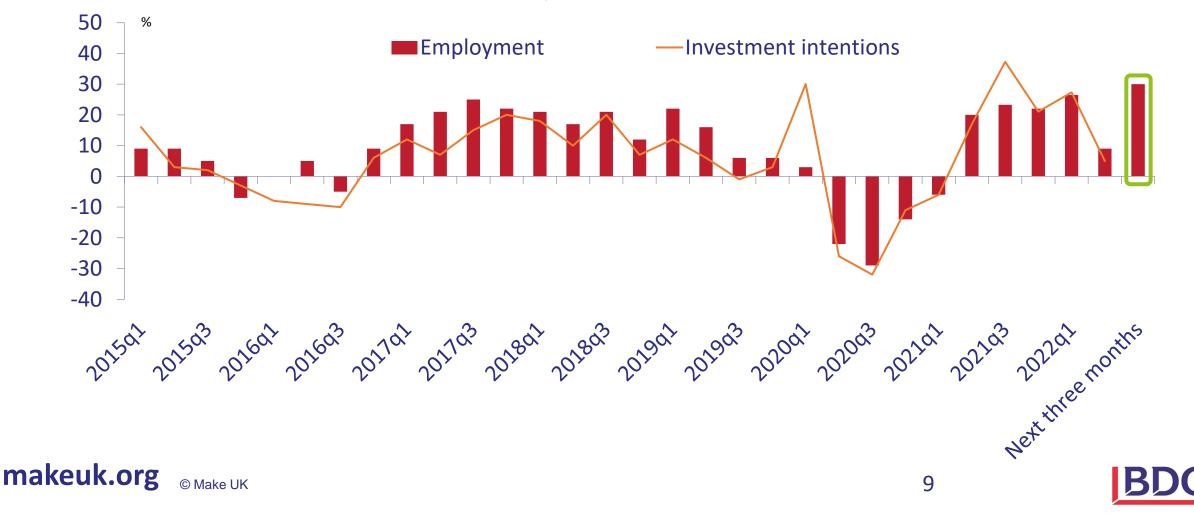
Optimism softening as performance declines

Confidence in the next 12 months: 1 = worse, 10 = better



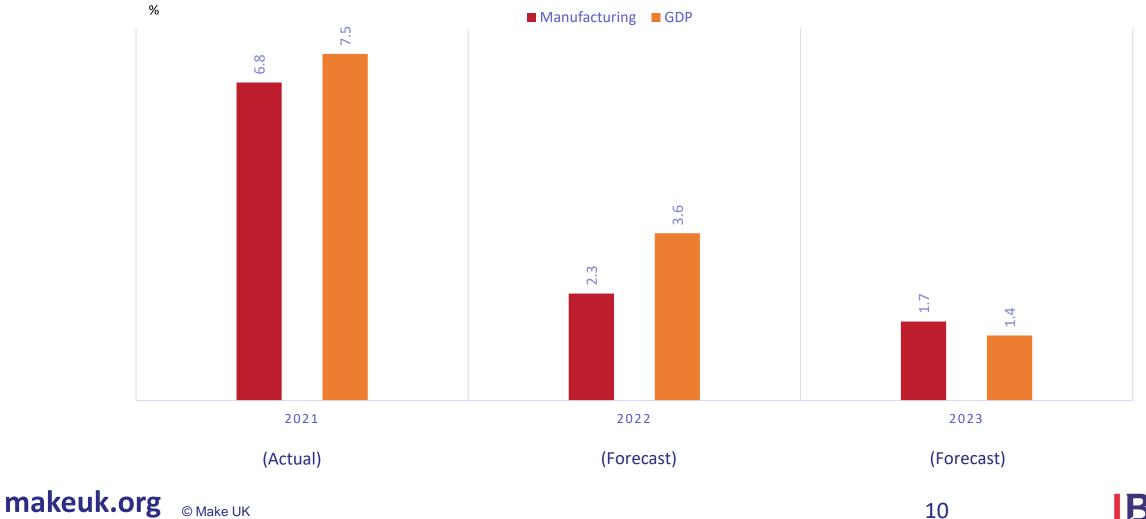
Employment and investment intentions fall

% Balance between increase/decrease in employment over the past three months and investment intentions



Backlog of orders to artificially prop up performance in 2022

% annual change in output





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