

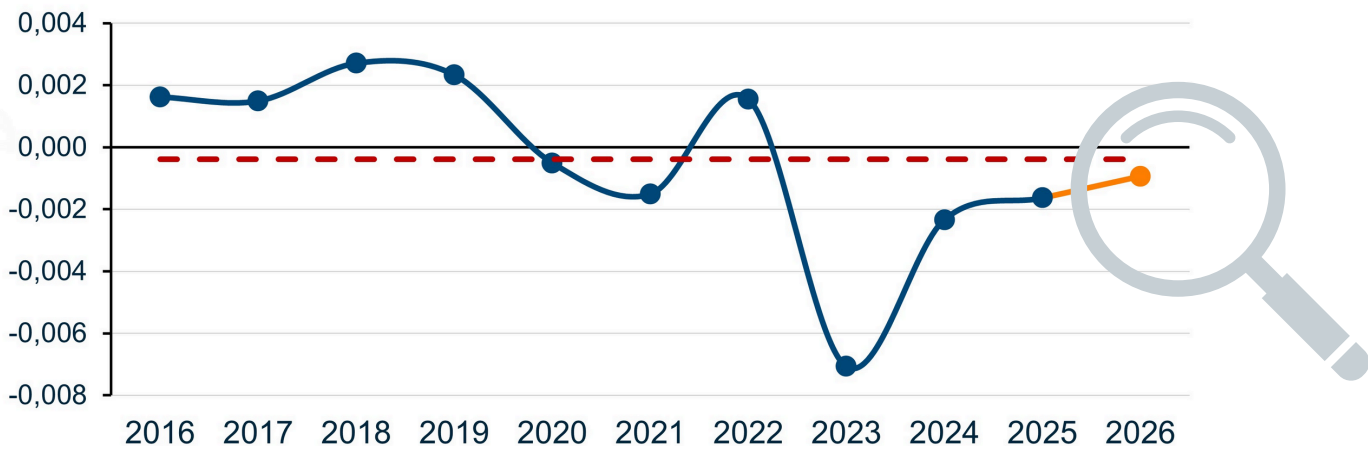
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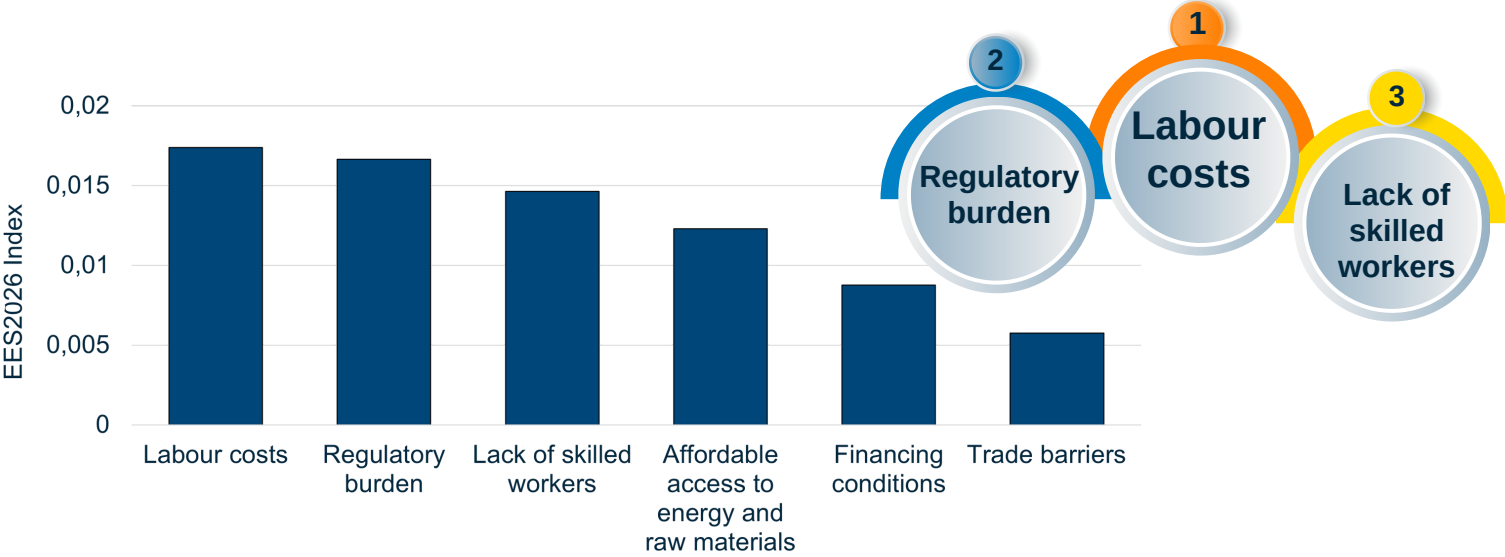
Based on responses from 41,090 businesses in 28 countries

Business confidence for 2026

Businesses are marginally more confident about the year ahead compared to 12 months ago, but sentiment remains below the average over the last decade.



Top challenges for 2026



Key EES2026 policy messages

#EntrepreneursSay:

Domestic sales are expected to increase in 2026

Exports set for modest growth

Employment is expected to remain challenging

Investment levels are still holding back

Ensure financial support to mitigate excessive production costs

Promote digital and smarter simplification and cut administrative burdens

Tackle single market fragmentation by addressing the “terrible ten” barriers

Turn skills into Europe’s competitive advantage

Power the green transition through affordable energy

Enhance Europe’s opportunities to trade globally

About
Eurochambres Economic Survey is an annual qualitative survey of business expectations across Europe. The survey is implemented by the network of chambers of commerce and industry and coordinated by Eurochambres. The questionnaire focuses on five economic indicators: business confidence, domestic sales, exports, employment and investment, as well as on challenges.