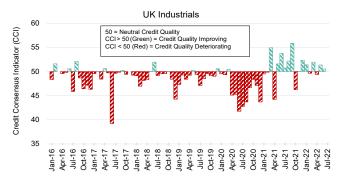
Credit Benchmark

Credit Consensus Indicator (CCI) UK, EU & US Industrials

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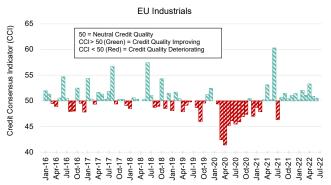


UK Industrials: Ups and Downs

UK Industrial firms are in a positive position for the second time this month, but they have been unable to maintain a consistent trend since mid-2021.

The **UK CCI score is 50.5** this month; a small drop from last month's CCI of **51.4**.

British manufacturers suffered their <u>first drop in output in over</u> <u>two years in July-22</u>, as new orders and fresh export business both continued to decline.



EU Industrials: Hanging On

EU Industrial firms have registered another positive CCI for this month, which is the eleventh consecutive instance of a positive score.

The **EU CCI score hovers above neutral at 50.5** this month. While the ongoing run of net positive scores bodes well for the group, the trend remains modest and keeps dipping close to neutral.

The eurozone manufacturing sector has fallen into <u>contraction in July-</u> <u>22</u>. Factories recorded the sharpest drop in production since the initial wave of strict COVID-19 lockdowns in May 2020.



US Industrials: A Change in Trend

This month US Industrial firms ended their streak of 17 consecutive months of positive credit quality.

The **US CCI score this month is 47.8**, a significant drop from last month's CCI of **51.8**.

US manufacturers are likely to see a <u>hit to their quarterly profit</u> in the second half of the year as higher prices for everything take a toll on consumer spending.

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