

SURVEY ON INFLATION AND GROWTH EXPECTATIONS
BANCA D'ITALIA

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Company Name _____

A0. Which is your firm's main sector? | | **SETTORS**

- (1) **Manufacturing**
- (2) **Other Industry**
 - Mineral extraction from mines
 - Electrical, gas, vapour, air conditioning supply
 - Water supply
 - Sewerage, waste management, and redevelopment
- (3) **Trading**
- (4) **Other Services**
- (5) **Construction**
 - Buildings
 - Engineering
 - Special construction works
(demolition and preparation of building sites,
plant installation, completion and finishing, etc.)

Fill in GREEN questionnaire

Fill in LIGHT BLUE questionnaire

C7. Compared with 3 month ago, do you think conditions for investment are ... ? **SITINV** Better The same Worse

C8. What do you think your liquidity situation will be in the next 3 months. given the expected change in the conditions of access to credit?
 Insufficient Sufficient More than sufficient **LIQUID**

C9. Compared with three months ago, is the total demand for your products ... ? **DOMTOT**
 Much higher A little higher About the same A little lower Much lower

C10. How will the total demand for your products vary in the next 3 months? **PRETOT**
 Much higher A little higher About the same A little lower Much lower

(Answer to questions C11-C12 only if the share of sales revenues coming from exports is positive. otherwise go to C13)

C11. Compared with three months ago, is the foreign demand for your products...? **DOMEST**
 Much higher A little higher About the same A little lower Much lower

C12. How will the foreign demand for your products vary in the next 3 months? **PREEST**
 Much higher A little higher About the same A little lower Much lower

C12bis. How has **German demand** for your products and/or services changed **compared with 3 months ago**?
 We do not sell in this market Greatly increased Moderately increased Unchanged Moderately decreased Greatly decreased **RTEU_GES**

C12ter. **Over 2026**, do you expect **demand for your products and/or services** to benefit from the **expansionary fiscal measures announced by the German Government**, with particular reference to the infrastructure and defence measures?
 No, neither directly nor indirectly Yes, to a moderate extent, mainly directly (via orders) Yes, to a significant extent, mainly directly (via orders) Yes, to a moderate extent, mainly indirectly (e.g. through supply chains) Yes, to a significant extent, mainly indirectly (e.g. through supply chains) **POLFISCGE**

C13. Compared with three months ago, are credit conditions for your company ...? **SITCRE** Better Unchanged Worse

C14. What do you expect credit access conditions for your firm to be in the next 3 months compared with the present? Better The same Worse **ASPCRE**

SECTION D – Changes in your firm's selling prices

D1. In the last 12 months, what has been the average change in your firm's prices? **DPRE** |_|_|_|_|_|%|

D2. For the next 12 months, what do you expect will be the average change in your firm's prices? **DPREZ** |_|_|_|_|_|%|

Please indicate direction and intensity of the following factors as they will affect your firm's selling prices **in the next 12 months**:

Factors affecting your firm's prices in the next 12 months	Effect on firm's selling prices			Intensity (if not nil)		
	Downward	Neutral	Upward	Low	Average	High
D3.1. Total demand DPR	1 _	2 _	3 _	1 _	2 _	3 _
D3.2. Raw materials prices MPPR	1 _	2 _	3 _	1 _	2 _	3 _
D3.3. Intermediate Input IICT	1 _	2 _	3 _	1 _	2 _	3 _
D3.4. Labour costs CLPR	1 _	2 _	3 _	1 _	2 _	3 _
D3.5. Pricing policies of your firm's main competitors PRPR	1 _	2 _	3 _	1 _	2 _	3 _
D3.6. Inflation expectations dynamics AINF	1 _	2 _	3 _	1 _	2 _	3 _
D3.7. Financial conditions CFIN	1 _	2 _	3 _	1 _	2 _	3 _

D4. In the last 12 months, what has been the average change in your firm's prices of goods and services bought in Italy and abroad?
|_|_|_|_|_|%| **DPRE_INT**

D5. In the next 12 months, what do you expect will be the average change in your firm's prices of goods and services bought in Italy and abroad?
|_|_|_|_|_|%| **DPREZ_INT**

SECTION E – Workforce

E1. Your firm's total number of employees in the next 3 months will be: Lower Unchanged Higher **OCCTOT**

SECTION F – Investments

F1. What do you expect will be the nominal expenditure on (tangible and intangible) fixed investment in 2026 compared with that in 2025?
 Much higher A little higher About the same A little lower Much lower **INVPRE**

F2. And what do you expect will be the nominal expenditure in the first half of 2026 compared with that in the second half of 2025?
 Much higher A little higher About the same A little lower Much lower **INVSEM**

NOTE: The responses "much higher" and "much lower" also apply when, in the two periods compared, investments are zero.

F3. Does your firm use predictive and/or generative artificial intelligence (AI) technologies? **AI5**
 No Yes, to a limited/moderate extent Yes, extensively

(If the answer to F3 is 'No' or 'Yes, to a limited/moderate extent')

F4. What is the main factor limiting the adoption or wider use of AI technologies in your company? **AI6**

There are no factors limiting the use of AI Costs exceed expected benefits Lack of adequate skills Cyber risk, privacy or ethical concerns Perceived poor reliability of results Incompatibilities with existing information systems or infrastructures AI cannot be applied to the company's business Other

(If the answer to F3 is "Yes, to a limited/moderate extent" or "Yes, extensively")

F5. The expenditure incurred or planned for the adoption and use of AI technologies mainly relates to: (Indicate a maximum of two responses)

- Purchase of AI solutions already available on the market (e.g. licence-based software or AI-enabled applications) **AI71**
- Use of external AI services (e.g. usage-based or subscription-based APIs, cloud platforms or SaaS solutions) **AI72**
- Internal development or customization of AI solutions (e.g. integration into business processes or model adaptations) **AI73**
- Upgrading of IT infrastructures (e.g. servers, hardware, networks) **AI74**
- Training and development of staff skills **AI75**
- Other **AI76**

SECTION H – Inflation in the euro area

	...in September 2026? EU6	...in March 2027? EU12	...in March 2028? EU24	...and on average between March 2029 and March 2031? EU48
H1aa. (1/3 of those who were asked question B1a, i.e. 1/5 of the sample) Last January, the 12-month consumer price inflation rate was 1.7 per cent in the euro area. What will the euro-area consumer price inflation rate be ...	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %
H1ab. (1/3 of those who were asked question B1a, i.e. 1/5 of the sample) Last January, the 12-month consumer price inflation rate was 1.7 per cent in the euro area. According to the latest forecasts published by the European Central Bank (ECB), the euro-area consumer price inflation rate will be 1.9 per cent in 2026 overall and 1.8 per cent in 2027 overall. What will the euro-area consumer price inflation rate be ...	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %
H1ac. (1/3 of those who were asked question B1a, i.e. 1/5 of the sample) Last January, the 12-month consumer price inflation rate was 1.7 per cent in the euro area. According to the latest forecasts published by the European Central Bank (ECB), the euro-area consumer price inflation rate will be 1.9 per cent in 2026 overall and 1.8 per cent in 2027 overall. According to the ECB, there are both upside and downside risks in relation to these forecasts. What will the euro-area consumer price inflation rate be ...	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %
H1b. (for those who were asked question B1b) What will the euro-area consumer price inflation rate be ...	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %
H1c. (for those who were asked question B1c) Based on the most recent forecasts by leading private economic analysts, the consumer price inflation rate in the euro-area will be 1.8 per cent over the next 12 months. What do you think the consumer price inflation rate in the euro-area will be...	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %	□ □ □ □ □ . □ □ %

CONSTRUCTION

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Instructions: For percentage changes, indicate the sign in the first box on the left (+ :for increases; —: for decreases).

SECTION A – General Information
A1. Number of employees : **ADD**
A2. Share of sales revenues coming from exports:

(1= more than 2/3; 2= Between 1/3 and 2/3; 3= Up to 1/3 and more than zero; 4=Zero) **EXPORT4**
A3. Share of revenue from residential building:

(1= more than 2/3; 2= Between 1/3 and 2/3; 3= Up to 1/3 and more than zero; 4=Zero) **COMPRES4**
A4. Branch of activity Istat - Ateco2007: (first 5 digits) **ATECO**
SECTION B – General economic situation of the country

	...in September 2026? IT6	...in March 2027? IT12	...in March 2028? IT24	... on average between March 2029 and March 2031? IT48
B1a. (about 2/3 of the sample) In January consumer price inflation, measured by the 12-month change in the harmonized index of consumer prices, was 1.0 per cent in Italy and 1.7 per cent in the euro area. What do you think it will be in Italy...	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %
B1b. (about 1/3 of the sample) What do you think consumer price inflation in Italy, measured by the 12-month change in the harmonized index of consumer prices, will be...	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> %
B2. What do you think the euro-area consumer price inflation rate will be...	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> % EU6	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> % EU12	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> % EU24	<input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> <input type="text"/> % EU48

B2. Compared with 3 months ago, do you consider Italy's general economic situation is ...? **SITGEN** Better The same Worse

B3. What do you think is the probability of an improvement in Italy's general economic situation **in the next 3 months**? **PROMIG**
 Zero 1-25 per cent 26-50 per cent 51-75 per cent 76-99 per cent 100 per cent

SECTION C – Your firm's business conditions

How do you think business conditions for your company will be:

C1. in the **next 3 months**? Much better Better The same Worse Much worse **SITIMP5**
C2. in the **next 3 years**? Much better Better The same Worse Much worse **SIMP36C5**

For each of the above forecasts imagine there are 100 points available; distribute them among the possible forecasts according to the probability assigned to each one. How do you think business conditions for your company will be:

	Better SITM3M SITM3A		The same SITU3M SITU3A		Worse SITP3M SITP3A		Total			
C3. in the next 3 months	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
C4. in the next 3 years	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Please indicate whether and with what intensity the following FACTORS will affect your firm's business **in the next 3 months**.

Factors affecting your firm's business In the next 3 months	Effect on business			Intensity (if not nil)		
	Negative	Nil	Positive	Low	Average	High
C5.1. Trend in new sites CNSIT	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>
C5.2. Trend in existing sites CASIT	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>
C5.3. Changes in your prices PRISIT	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>
C5.4. Availability and the cost of credit CRSIT	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>
C5.5. Uncertainty due to economic and political factors POLIT	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>
C5.6. Exchange rate dynamics TACAM	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>
C5.7. Oil prices dynamics PRPET	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>
C5.9 International trade and investment policies POSCA	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>

C6. Net of seasonal factors, what is the change in your firm's production that you expect in current quarter compared with the previous?

 Below - 15% Between -15% and -10% Between -10% and -5% Between -5% and -2% Between -2% and +2%
 Between +2% and +5% Between +5% and +10% Between +10% and +15% Above +15% **CORVARIZ**
C7. Compared with 3 month ago, do you think conditions for investment are... ? **SITINV** Better The same Worse

C8. What do you think your liquidity situation will be in the next 3 months given the expected change in the conditions of access to credit?

 Insufficient Sufficient More than sufficient **LIQUID**

C9. Change in demand for residential building compared with 3 months ago... ? **DOMTOT**

Much higher A little higher About the same A little lower Much lower

C10. How will the total demand for your products vary in the next 3 months? **PRETOT**

Much higher A little higher About the same A little lower Much lower

(Answer to questions C11-C12 only if the share of sales revenues coming from residential building is positive, otherwise go to C13)

C11. Compared with three months ago, is the demand for residential building... ? **DOMRES**

Much higher A little higher About the same A little lower Much lower

C12. How will the demand for residential building vary in the next 3 months? **PRERES**

Much higher A little higher About the same A little lower Much lower

C13. Compared with three months ago, are credit conditions for your company...? **SITCRE** Better Unchanged Worse

C15. What do you expect credit access conditions for your firm to be in the next 3 months compared with the present? Better The same Worse **ASPCRE**

SECTION D – Changes in your firm's selling prices

D1. In the last 12 months, what has been the average change in your firm's prices? **DPRE** %

D2. For the next 12 months, what do you expect will be the average change in your firm's prices? **DPREZ** %

Please indicate direction and intensity of the following factors as they will affect your firm's selling prices in the next 12 months:

Factors affecting your firm's prices in the next 12 months	Effect on firm's selling prices			Intensity (if not nil)		
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D2.2. Raw materials prices MPPR	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>
D2.3. Intermediate input IITC	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>
D2.4. Labour costs CLPR	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>
D2.5. Pricing policies of your firm's main competitors PRPR	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>
D2.6. Inflation expectations dynamics AINF	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>
D2.7. Financial conditions CFIN	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>

D4. In the last 12 months, what has been the average change in your firm's prices of goods and services bought in Italy and abroad? % **DPRE_INT**

D5. In the next 12 months, what do you expect will be the average change in your firm's prices of goods and services bought in Italy and abroad? % **DPREZ_INT**

SECTION E – Workforce

E1. Your firm's total number of employees in the next 3 months will be: OCCTOT	<i>Lower</i>	<i>Unchanged</i>	<i>Higher</i>
	1 <input type="text"/>	2 <input type="text"/>	3 <input type="text"/>

SEZIONE F – Investment

F1. What do you expect will be the nominal expenditure on (tangible and intangible) fixed investment in 2026 compared with that in 2025?

Much higher A little higher About the same A little lower Much lower **INVPRE**

F2. And what do you expect will be the nominal expenditure in the first half of 2026 compared with that in the second half of 2025?

Much higher A little higher About the same A little lower Much lower **INVSEM**

NOTE: The responses "much higher" and "much lower" also apply when in the two periods compared investments are zero.

SEZIONE G – Focus on consumer price inflation data

G1. How often does your firm currently monitor consumer price inflation dynamics (understood as the 12-month change in retail prices) in the countries where it operates for business decision purposes? **INFRE**

Almost never About once a year About once a quarter About once a month More than once a month

G2. How has the frequency with which your firm monitors consumer price inflation dynamics changed compared with recent years? **INFCAM**

Decreased Unchanged Increased Don't know / Don't want to answer

G3. How challenging is it (in terms of time and resources) for your firm to collect and analyse data on consumer price inflation trends? **INFIMP**

Very easy Easy Difficult Very difficult Don't know / Don't want to answer

SECTION H – National Recovery and Resilience Plan (NRRP)

What share of the value of your construction output has benefited/do you expect to benefit from NRRP measures?

G1.2 in the first half of 2026: Zero Between zero and 1/3 Between 1/3 and 2/3 Over 2/3 **PNRR2**

NOTE: The National Recovery and Resilience Plan (NRRP) is a reform and investment plan approved in 2021 that will provide about €200 billion in resources over the period 2021-2026. 'Benefits' also include any positive effects on business operations of the regulatory changes envisaged by the NRRP.