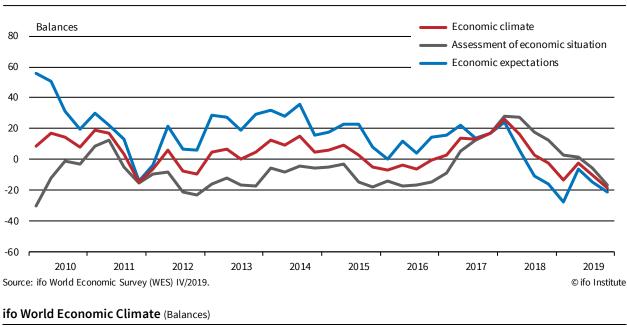
ifo World Economic Climate Clouds Over Again

Munich, November 11, 2019 – The ifo World Economic Climate has worsened again, with the indicator falling in the fourth quarter from –10.1 to –18.8 points. Both the assessment of the current situation and expectations dropped significantly as the global economy continues to cool.

There was a deterioration of the economic climate in nearly all regions. Assessments of the current situation were unfavorable particularly in emerging markets, while in advanced economies it was primarily estimates for the coming months that declined. In emerging markets, the downward trend was based mostly in Asia; in advanced economies, it was concentrated in the US.

The experts expect significantly weaker growth in world trade, weaker private consumption, and lower investment activity. Compared to spring of this year, there was a marked increase in the proportion of experts who rate macroeconomic demand and innovation as insufficient.



ifo World Economic Climate

Quarter/Year	IV/2017	I/2018	II/2018	III/2018	IV/2018	I/2019	II/2019	III/2019	IV/2019
Climate	17.1	26.0	16.5	2.9	-2.2	-13.1	-2.4	-10.1	-18.8
Situation	17.2	28.3	27.4	17.5	12.2	2.6	1.4	-5.4	-16.4
Expectations	16.9	23.9	6.1	-10.6	-15.7	-27.7	-6.1	-14.7	-21.1

Source: ifo World Economic Survey (WES) IV/2019.

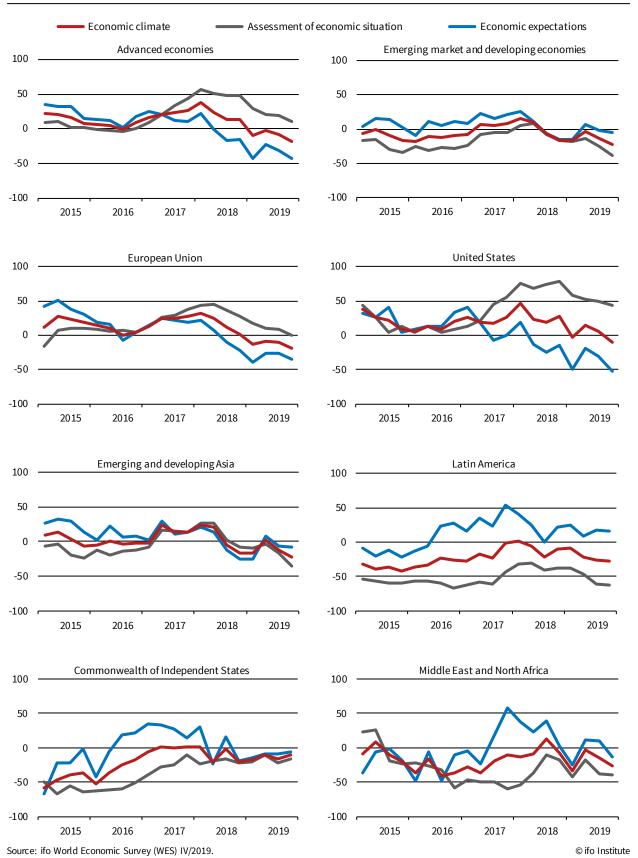
For long time-series in Excel format consult <u>www.ifo.de/en/umfragen/time-series</u>.

Since 1989 the ifo Institute has conducted a quarterly survey in numerous countries on business cycle developments and other economic factors in the experts' home countries. The October 2019 survey received responses from 1,230 experts in 117 countries. A detailed regional analysis appears in the quarterly journal: ifo World Economic Survey. This press release contains advance information on the most important results.

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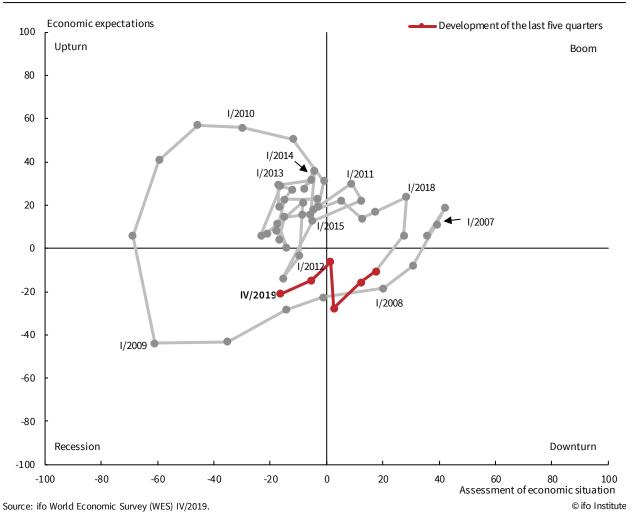
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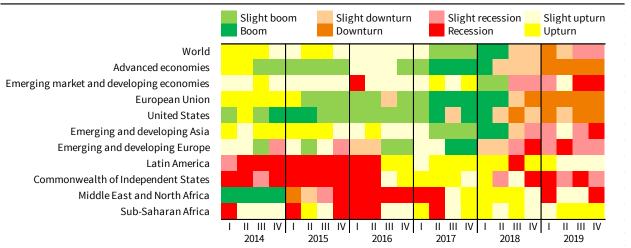


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ifo World Economic Survey – Heatmap ^a



^a The assessments of the current situation and economic expectations for the next six months are visualised by a four colour scheme that illustrates the four phases of a business cycle: boom, downtum, recession, uptum. The transition areas between these four phases are illustrated with lighter colours and are defined as follows: *Slight boom* when the current situation is smaller than +20. *Slight downturn* when expectations are between 0 and –20. *Slight recession* when the current situation is between 0 and –20. *Slight upturn* when expectations are smaller than +20.

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