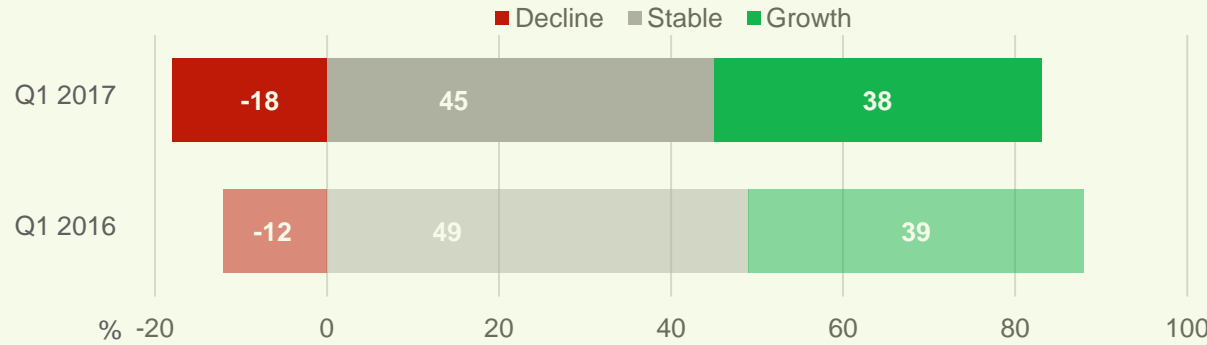


Businesses were asked about the current position of their business.

## Ireland and Northern Ireland

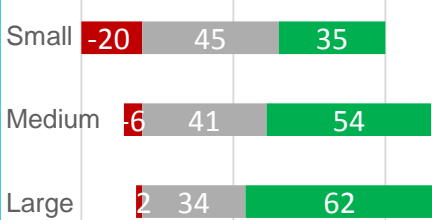


## Of those businesses in decline:

There has been an increase of **6** percentage points, which is a **50%** increase in companies **struggling** since this time last year

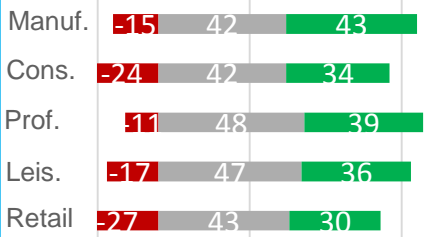
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### By business size



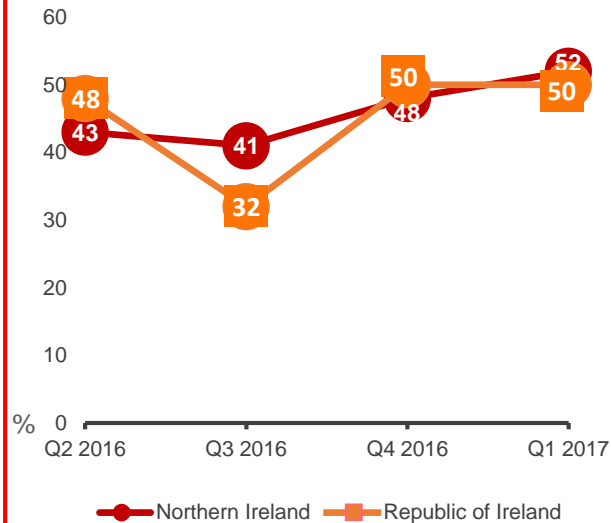
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### By business sector



Decline Stable Growth

Businesses were asked to what extent did they deem 'rising costs' as an issue to them.



**9%**

increase over the last 12 months

**2%**

increase over the last 12 months

Businesses were asked what costs had increased over the last six months.

