

ECONOMIC & BUSINESS MOMENTUM (EBM) INDEX



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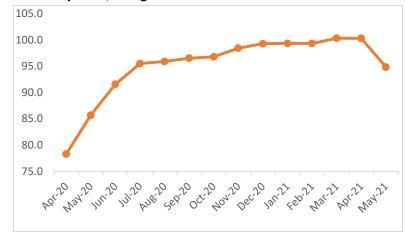
The PHDCCI Economic and Business Momentum (EBM) Index

On a monthly basis, PHDCCI Economic and Business Momentum (EBM) Index has shown steady recovery from the lows of 78.3 for April 2020 to 85.7 for May 2020, 91.6 for June 2020, 95.5 for July 2020, 95.9 for August 2020, 96.5 for September 2020, 96.8 for October 2020, 98.4 for November 2020, 99.3 for December 2020, 99.3 for January 2021, 99.3 for February 2021, 100.3 for March 2021, 100.3 for April 2021 and 94.8 for May 2021. The daunting impact of 2nd wave of COVID-19, which has resulted in a fall in the EBM Index for May 2021.

PHDCCI EBM Index is a composite index of 25 lead economic and business indicators with base year at 2018-19=100. The composite index combines several indicators into one single concise statistics. Weights were assigned to the 25 high frequency indicators using standard deviation. The EBM Index considers the demand and supply parameters to present a broad perspective of the economy.

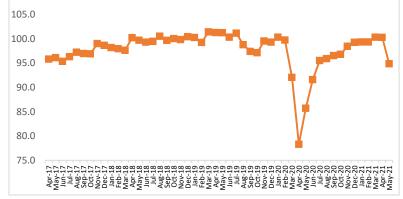
The EBM index during May 2020 stood at 85.7 as compared to 101.2 for May 2019. The EBM index during May 2021 stood at 94.8 which is higher than the EBM index during May 2020. Strong recovery has been observed in the production of Intermediate goods and steel in May 2021 from the lows of May 2020.

Chart-1: Weighted Average of 25 economic indicators from April 2020 to May 2021; Using base 2018-19=100



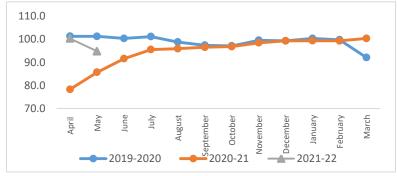
Source: PHD Research Bureau, PHDCCI EBM Index

Chart-2: Weighted Average of 25 economic indicators from April 2017 to May 2021; Using base 2018-19=100



Source: PHD Research Bureau, PHDCCI EBM Index

Chart-3: Weighted Average of 25 economic indicators: 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22; Using base 2018-19=100



Source: PHD Research Bureau, PHDCCI EBM Index

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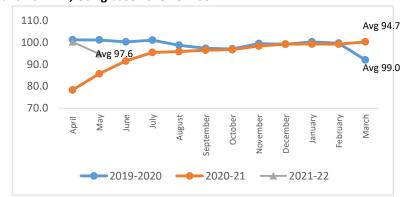


The average EBM index for the FY 2020-21 stands at 94.7 as compared to 99.0 of corresponding FY 2019-20. On the back of the series of stimulus announcements by the Government in last many quarters under the AatmaNirbhar Bharat Abhiyaan 1.0, 2.0 and 3.0 along with the calibrated measures undertaken by the RBI and a demand boosting Union Budget 2021-22, continuous improvement have been witnessed in the EBM for the period of FY 2021.

The PHDCCI EBM Index recorded significant improvement from the average of 85.2 in Q1 FY 2020-21 to 96.0 in Q2 FY 2020-21 to 98.2 in Q3 FY 2020-21 to 99.7 in Q4 FY 2020-21. The average of Q1 FY 2021-22 stood at 97.6 which include April 2021 and May 2021 EBM Index.

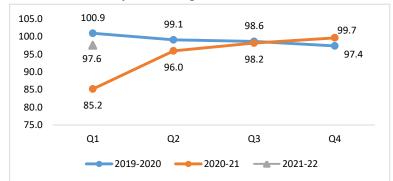
The proactive reforms undertaken by the Government in last many quarters have pulled the economy from the low growth of (-)24.4% in Q1 FY2020-21 to 0.5% in Q3 FY2020-21 and 1.6% in Q4 FY2020-21. The correlation between quarterly trend of EBM index and GDP growth rate is very high at 0.9. Going ahead, the situation created by the 2nd wave of COVID has posed a serious challenge anticipated double digit growth in 2021-22.

Chart-4: Weighted Average of 25 economic indicators: 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22; Using base 2018-19=100



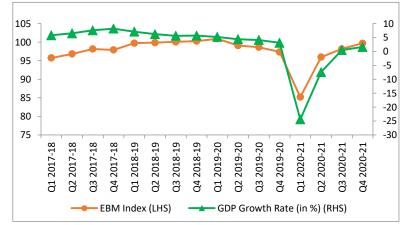
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Chart-5: Weighted Average of 25 economic indicators: 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2021-22- Quarterly Basis; Using base 2018-19=100



Source: PHD Research Bureau, PHDCCI EBM Index

Chart-6: Movement of GDP growth and EBM Index



Source: PHD Research Bureau, PHDCCI EBM Index



Out of the 25 lead economic and business indicators, 19 have shown a remarkable improvement in May 2021 from their lows of May 2020. Strong recovery has been observed in the production of IIP Intermediate goods, steel and Merchandise Export in May 2021 from the lows of May 2020. In the financial and market segment, GST Collections and SENSEX (Daily Average) have shown a remarkable recovery.

Immediate policy attention is required towards reviving the economic 6 parameters which have not shown improvement in May 2021 as compared to May 2020, such as external commercial borrowings, credit to services sector, fertilizers, crude oil, consumption petroleum products and credit to industry.

Conclusions and recommendations

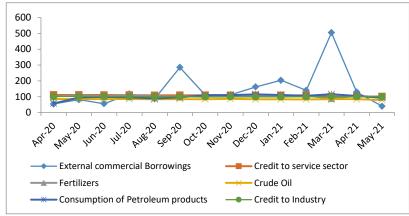
- Immediate policy attention is required towards credit access to services sectors. Credit disbursement should be the top priority at this juncture by the banking sector.
- There is a need to lower interest rates for consumers and businesses, lesser compliances for MSMEs vis-à-vis ease of doing business at the ground level and lower tax regime to the increase personal disposable income of people.

Chart-7: Movement of best performing components of EBM Index from April 2020 to May 2021; Using base 2018-19=100



Source: PHD Research Bureau, PHDCCI EBM Index

Chart-8: Movement of weak performing components of EBM Index from April 2020 to May 2021; Using base 2018-19=100



Source: PHD Research Bureau, PHDCCI EBM Index

- To attain a higher growth trajectory, effective policy measures are needed once again to support demand creation and to have a multiplier effect on enhanced production possibilities, expansion of employment in factories, expansion of capital investments and overall virtuous circle of growth and development of Indian economy.
- There is a need to fuel the drivers of household consumption and private investments to enhance the aggregate demand in the economy as it will have an accelerated effect on expansion of capital investments in the country.



- To re-build for the high growth trajectory, the Government should frontload the National Infra Pipeline expenditure as private investment are not coming in shorter period. The increased spending on infrastructure will give a multiplier effect to rejuvenate the aggregate demand in the economy.
- More and more direct benefit transfers needs to be considered for the urban and rural poor under the various welfare schemes in addition to the free distribution of dry rations till Diwali as already announced by the Hon'ble Prime Minister.
- Let's target to vaccinate at least half of the population in next 2-3 months, i.e. by September 2021.

PHDCCI EBM Index Base: 2018-19=100

Sr No	Economic Indicators	May-20	May-21	(May'21 - May '20)			
1	IIP Consumer durable goods	33	65	32			
2	IIP Consumer non-durable goods	104	105	1			
3	IIP Capital Goods	36	66	30			
4	IIP Intermediate Goods	67	105	37			
5	Coal	95	101	7			
6	Crude Oil	85	79	-5			
7	Natural Gas	86	103	17			
8	Petroleum Refinery Products	86	99	13			
9	Fertilisers	109	98	-10			
10	Steel	67	107	40			
11	Cement	90	97	7			
12	Electricity	103	111	8			
13	Consumption of Petroleum products	95	93	-2			
14	Export Merchandise Growth	85	144	59			
15	Export Services	123	127	4			
16	India Freight Traffic	97	108	12			
17	Credit to Agriculture	104	110	7			
18	Credit to Industry	102	101	-1			
19	Credit to service sector	111	102	-9			
20	Personal Loans	111	112	2			
21	GST Collection	62	103	41			
22	SENSEX (Daily average)	113	181	67			
23	FDI Equity Inflows	60	73	13			
24	External commercial borrowings	81	40	-41			
25	Unemployment	84	93	9			
Composite Weighted Index 86 95 9							

Source: PHD Research Bureau, PHDCCI EBM Index (Note: For calculation purpose, the FDI figure for April and May 2021 are moving average of last 3 months; figures and difference are rounded off)



Snapshot of the Economic & Business Momentum (EBM) Index (Base 2018-19=100)

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Sr	Economic Indicators	Apr-	May-	Jun-	Jul-										May-
No	UD 6	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	21	21	21	21	21
1	IIP Consumer durable goods	5	33	65	84	89	93	102	95	105	106	108	101	90	65
2	IIP Consumer non- durable goods	64	104	129	121	114	121	122	123	123	106	108	118	125	105
3	IIP Capital Goods	8	36	60	73	79	89	97	86	97	94	104	80	86	66
4	IIP Intermediate Goods	39	67	87	101	102	109	114	117	121	119	114	116	121	105
5	Coal	97	95	90	102	112	113	106	104	110	112	116	124	106	101
6	Crude Oil	86	85	85	86	84	85	84	86	84	84	83	85	84	79
7	Natural Gas	86	86	89	90	92	89	88	87	89	94	91	98	107	103
8	Petroleum Refinery Products	81	86	92	93	89	94	91	109	102	107	102	104	107	99
9	Fertilisers	101	109	104	110	104	100	108	106	108	110	107	88	105	98
10	Steel	22	67	91	116	108	108	115	128	117	112	116	116	125	107
11	Cement	17	90	101	105	94	106	111	123	125	131	143	131	119	97
12	Electricity	88	103	108	117	113	114	112	107	114	118	118	122	122	111
13	Consumption of Petroleum products	61	90	100	96	89	95	110	110	115	111	106	116	105	93
14	Export Merchandise	50	85	97	109	105	121	107	118	114	123	112	116	147	144
15	Export Services	121	123	124	122	120	126	121	125	137	125	128	149	128	127
16	India Freight Traffic	98	97	101	104	106	108	103	105	110	107	107	106	107	108
17	Credit to Agriculture	104	104	102	105	105	106	107	109	109	110	110	112	111	110
18	Credit to Industry	102	102	102	101	101	100	98	99	99	99	100	100	100	101
19	Credit to service sector	111	111	111	110	109	109	110	109	109	108	109	101	101	102
20	Personal Loans	112	111	111	111	116	109	109	110	110	109	110	110	113	112
21	GST Collections	32	62	91	87	86	95	105	105	115	120	113	124	141	103
22	SENSEX	112	113	124	134	139	139	145	156	168	176	184	182	177	181
23	FDI Equity Inflows	74	60	42	268	469	78	143	229	205	73	69	77	73	73
24	External commercial borrowings	54	81	56	117	88	285	111	112	162	204	140	504	129	40
25	Unemployment	84	84	94	97	96	97	97	98	95	98	97	98	96	93
	Composite Index Weighted	72	86	92	96	96	97	97	98	99	99	99	100	100	95

Source: PHD Research Bureau, PHDCCI EBM Index (Note: Table shows the monthly relative growth movement calculated with the Base of 2018-19=100. Index calculated on the basis of YoY% growth using standard deviation baring certain indicators such as Consumption of Petroleum products, Export Services, India Freight Traffic, GST Collection, FDI, and ECB for which we have used actual numbers. Index numbers are a useful way of expressing time series economic data for comparing information. An index number is a figure reflecting price or quantity compared with a base value. The base value always has an index number of 100. The index number is then expressed as 100 times the ratio to the base value. Index numbers have no units.)



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