

# Credit Impacts on the UK Corporate Sector: Evaluating the Implications of a Volatile Environment

### **Topics of Discussion**



The credit environment is going through continuing turbulence and volatility.

What is the current state of health and what is the outlook.



There is a lot for Credit Managers to focus on and market shocks can create further disruption.

 How Early Warning systems can focus attention on portfolio vulnerabilities and help navigate uncertainty.

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### **Background to Analysis**

#### Summary of approaches for the analysis

#### Macro-economic forecast:

- Model-based relationship between historical PD and Macro-economic factors
- Relationship established at country, sector and rating-level
- Allows forecasting of firm-level PD based on future macro-economic scenarios

#### **Financial Statement forecast:**

- Connect macro-economic data and scenarios to financial statement forecasting assumptions
- Map real output and input/output prices to sectoral sales and cost dynamics
- Allows analysis of financial performance and drivers of forecast credit worthiness

#### **Early Warning:**

- · Approach allows identification of rising risk for a firm, relative to peers/
- Relative firm risk based on comparison of pre-defined peer group trigger and the firms' PIT 1-year PD
- Allows specific actions to be assigned to each EW risk rating

#### Notes on Scope of Firms

- 1. Only includes Firms with turnover over £100k and have complete financial statement information required for our financial statement analysis.
- 2. We consider our forecast samples representative since the industry composition remains very similar to the overall sample.
- 3. Financial and Real Estate firms are excluded from the analysis.

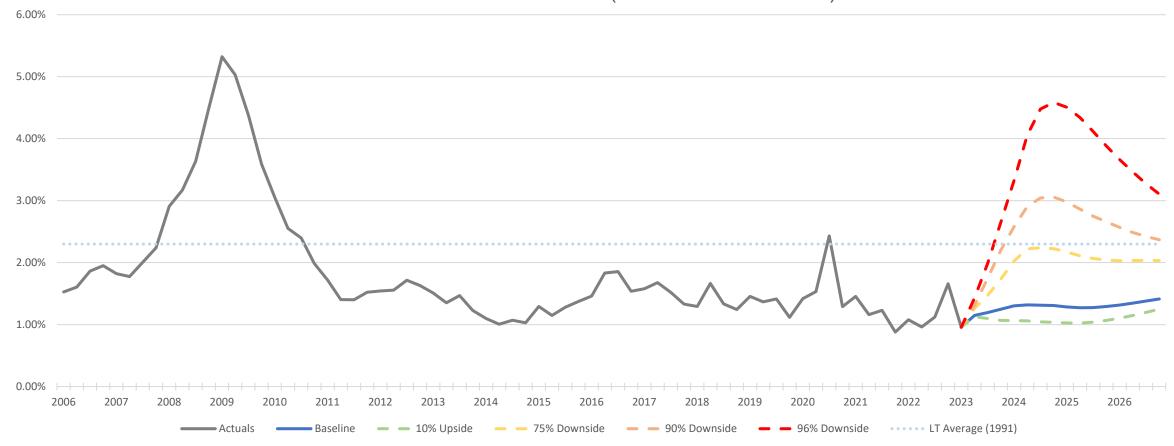
#### Scope

Sector	Firms in analysis		
A - Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	296		
B - Mining and Quarrying	198		
C - Manufacturing	3,477		
D - Electricity, Gas, Steam and Air Conditioning Supply	969		
E - Water Supply; Sewerage, Waste Management and Remediation Activities	189		
F - Construction	2,141		
G - Wholesale and Retail Trade; Repair of Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles	6,170		
H - Transportation and Storage	1,185		
I - Accommodation and Food Service Activities	1,486		
J - Information and Communication	2,826		
M - Professional, Scientific and Technical Activities	8,594		
N - Administrative and Support Service Activities	2,171		
Q - Human Health and Social Work Activities	4,101		
R - Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	2,062		
S - Other Service Activities	4,861		
Unassigned	296		
Total	40,726		

Turnover	Firms in analysis
>£100M	2,755
£45-£100M	2,401
£10M-£45M	9,071
£1M-£10M	12,724
£200K-£1M	9,820
£100K-£200K	3,955
Total	40,726

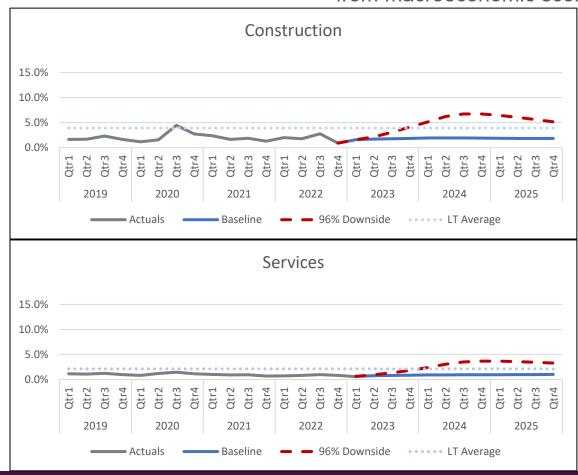
# Forecast increase in firm default levels under baseline scenario, but remaining below historical levels

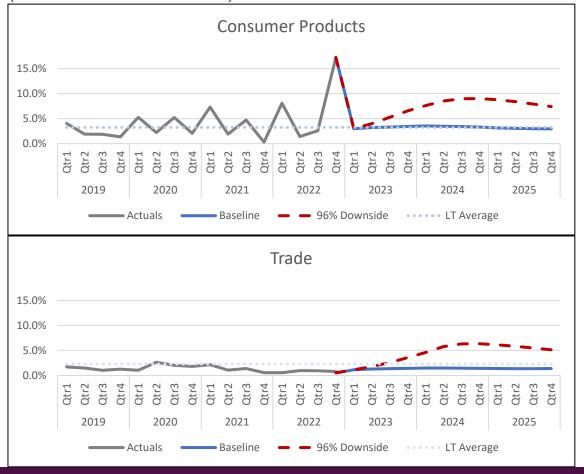
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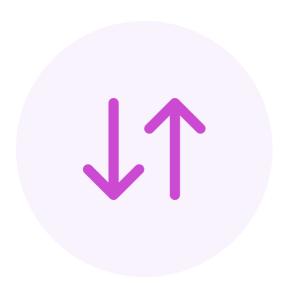
# Sector level forecasts reflect limited deterioration in risk, but could be exposed in event of downturn

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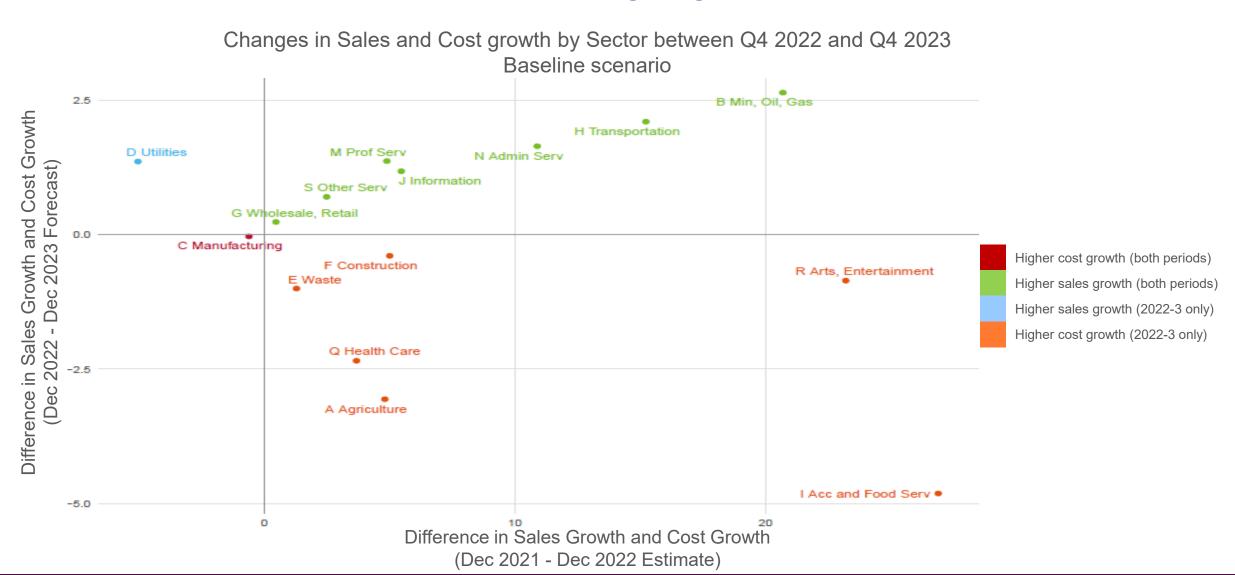


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In order of severity (highest to lowest) – what risks do you see as most material to your portfolios?

### Firm balance sheet forecasts highlight sources of headwinds...



## ...which show a varied picture of financial performance across sectors

<u>Dec 2022 (Estimates) -</u> <u>Dec 2023 (Baseline Forecast)</u>	Change in Financial Ratio			EDF		
Sector	Profit Margin	Liquidity	Debt Coverage	Dec-22 (Estimate)	Dec-23 (Forecast)	EDF Change (%)
(A) Agriculture	-3.96	15.0	-71.93%	0.46	0.75	-62.6%
(B) Mining, Oil & Gas	2.68	1.1	-26.57%	2.17	2.11	2.7%
(C) Manufacturing	-1.40	0.1	-60.05%	1.94	2.53	-3 <mark>0.5%</mark>
(D) Utilities	-0.05	-0.8	-8.41%	1.32	1.55	-17.3 <mark>%</mark>
(E) Waste	-2.24	-3.0	-65.05%	1.11	1.51	-36.5%
(F) Construction	-0.98	15.1	-50.85%	2.18	2.22	-2.0%
(G) Wholesale & Retail	-0.38	3.3	-48.45%	1.23	1.39	-12.8%
(H) Transportation	1.51	23.2	-35.19%	1.18	1.00	15.7%
(I) Accomodation & Food Services	-4.39	20.7	-62.54%	2.07	2.36	-13.7%
(J) Information	0.23	2.3	-47.23%	2.11	2.19	-4.0%
(M) Professional Services	0.05	4.4	-40.65%	1.78	1.88	-5.7%
(N) Admin Services	-1.90	5.7	-38.45%	1.84	1.86	-1.1%
(Q) Health Care	-3.99	-43.0	-91.16%	0.89	1.48	-65.5%
(R) Arts & Entertainment	0.51	32.5	-39.24%	0.79	0.72	9.0%
(S) Other Services	0.18	-5.6	-38.49%	0.98	1.12	-13.5%

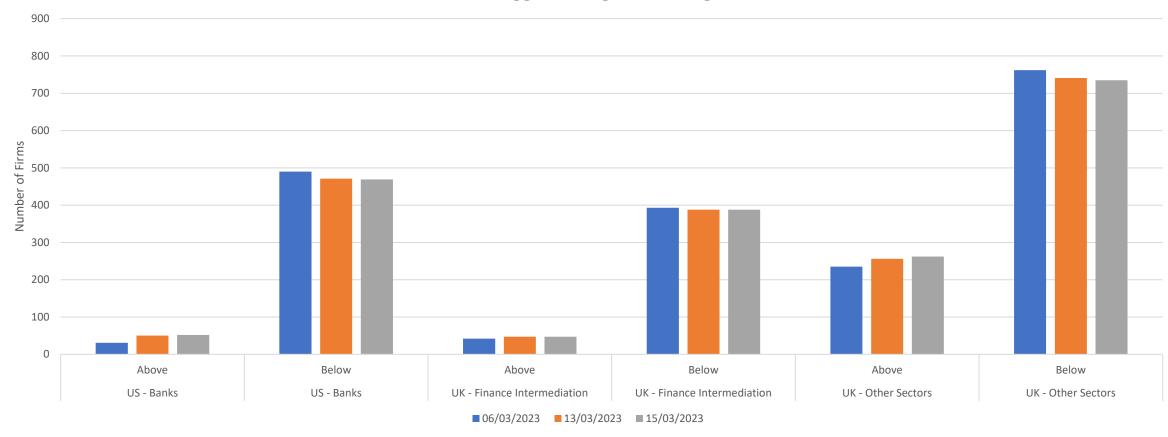
Debt Coverage = EBITDA divided by Interest Expense. Change is calculated as percentage change.

Liquidity = Cash plus Marketable Securities divided by Current Liabilities. Change is calculated as simple change.

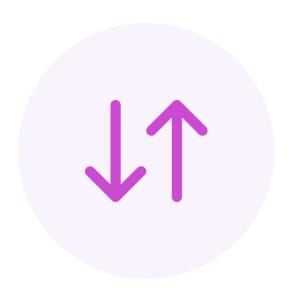
Profit Margin = Net Profit Turnover. Change is calculated as simple change.

# At the same time, EWS measures indicate recent market events are contained....for now?





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Which are most challenging elements to get right in your Early Warning System (Most to Least)

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