

# Coronavirus: Impact on SMEs, production and employment



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## Executive Summary

1. Up to March 17<sup>th</sup> sales has been the hardest hit, more so in commercial SMEs than manufacturing. Purchases, production and employment has not been greatly affected. We expect statistics to evolve as days go by.
2. Immediate action has been taken by 92% of the respondents. Home office was implemented by 55% of SMEs in services and 24% in manufacturing.
3. Despite the March 12 official regulations, price increases were reported in 41% of the questionnaires, 69% lacked gel alcohol, 49% lacked masks and 19% reported increases in the price of masks. There were minor inconveniences for purchasing general disinfectants and disposable gloves.
4. 15% of respondents reported employees or relatives in quarantine.