## **SME picture in Wales and UK**



Increase in medium-sized business turnover between 2017 and 2018



North Wales continues to have the highest growth in number of medium-sized businesses



Decrease in SMEs in production sectors in 2019



Business birth rate in Wales outpaces UK



Business confidence in Wales dropped significantly and is now below UK average



SMEs planning to grow in next 12 months lags behind rest of UK

## **Business finance in Wales and UK**



48% | 42% Wales

SMEs using

external finance

UK

42% 44% Wales UK

SMEs which are permanent nonborrowers



43% 39% Wales UK

SMEs using core finance products



14% 16% Wales UK

SMEs using other forms of finance







