

Here's a quick look at how the economies within the countries competing in the rugby this weekend match up.

## Economic performance in Ireland, England, Scotland, Wales, France & Italy

### Key economic statistics 2014

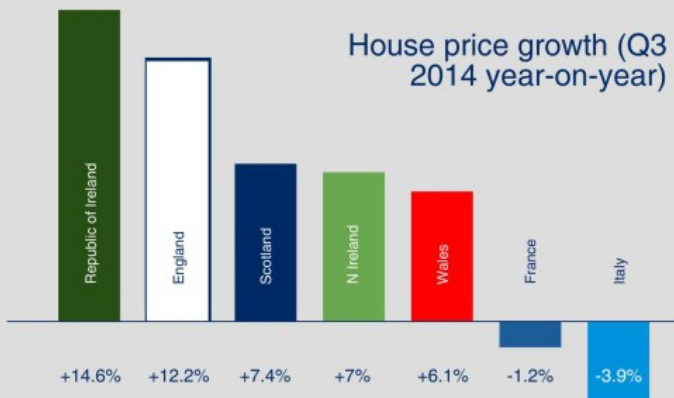
	R. Ireland	England	Scotland	N. Ireland	Wales	France	Italy
House price growth <small>Q3 2014 year-on-year</small>	+14.6%	+12.2%	+7.4%	+7%	+6.1%	-1.2%	-3.9%
Business Output (PMI)*	59.6	58.3	54.8	57.1	58.8	49.1	51.6
New car sales <small>2014 annual % growth</small>	+29.5%	+9.5%	+8.3%	+9%	+8.7%	-6.8%	+2.4%
Business employment (PMI)*	57.5	55.6	53.8	53.9	53.7	48.2	49.4
Latest unemployment rates (ILO)	10.6%	5.8%	5.7%	5.8%	7.0%	10.4%	13.4%

\* Source: Market Economics. Less than 50 equals contraction; more than 50 is expansion.

### New car sales 2014 (Annual % growth)



### House price growth (Q3 2014 year-on-year)



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