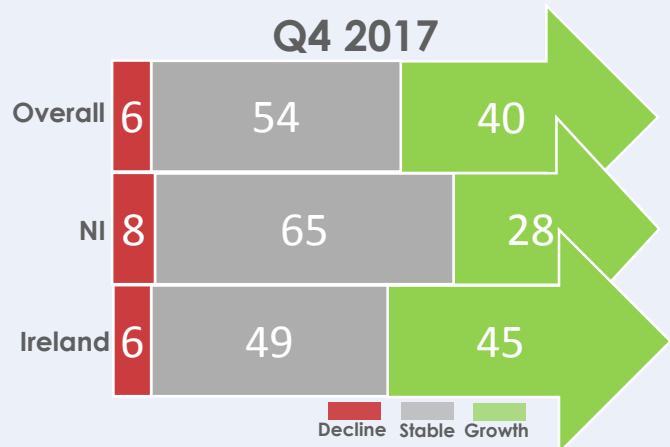
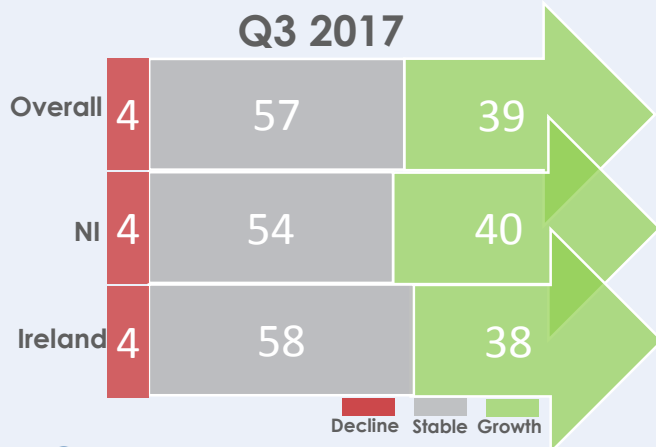
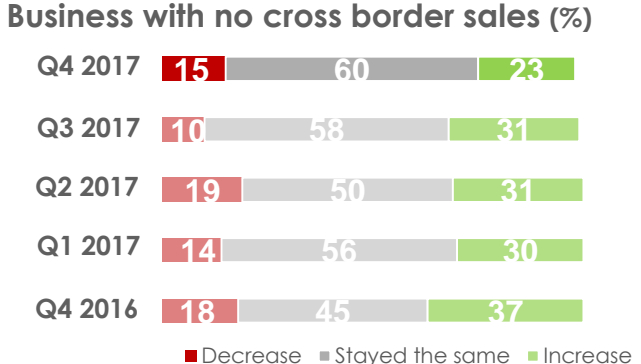
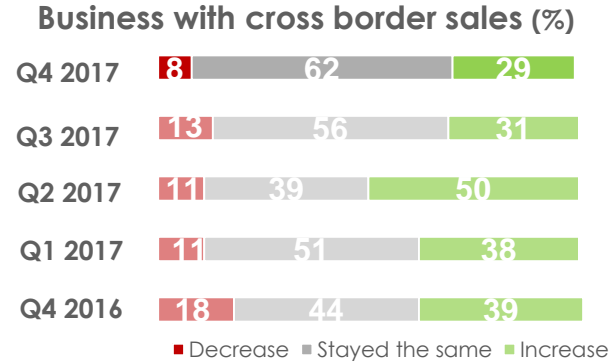


Businesses were asked about the current position of their business (%)

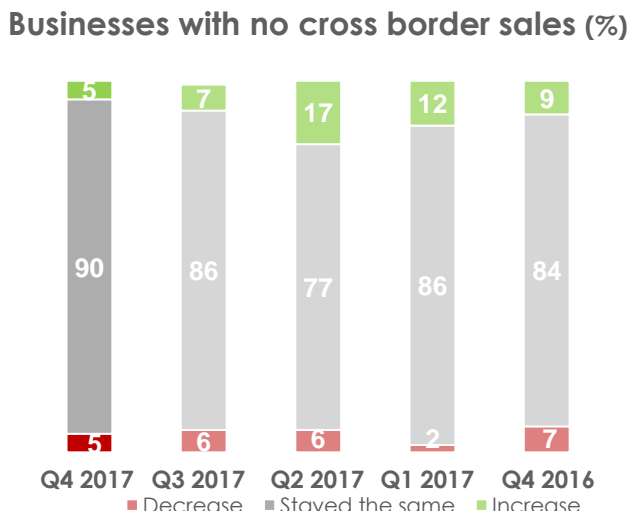
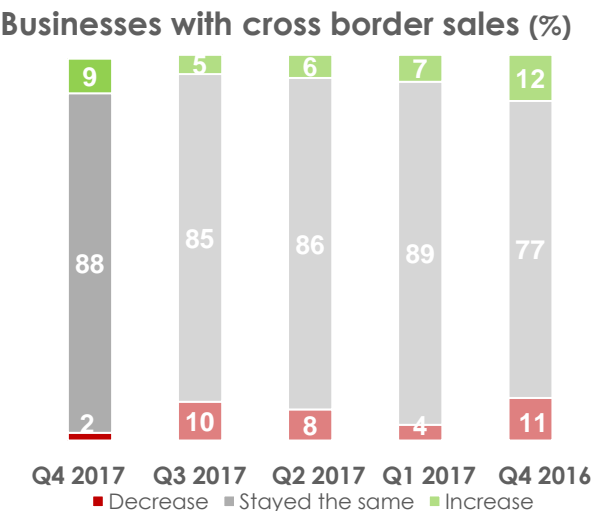


Although the survey indicates a **healthy all-island economy** there are some **signs of divergence** between NI and Ireland.

## SALES PERFORMANCE

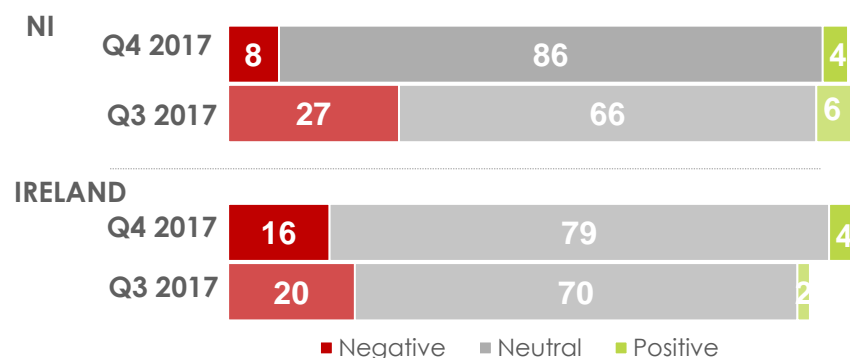


## EMPLOYMENT LEVEL



# ★ IMPACT OF BREXIT

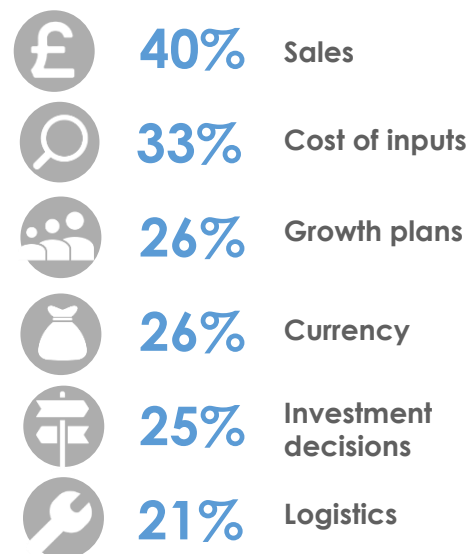
## Businesses were asked about the impact of Brexit (%)



# 25%

of those with cross border sales reported Brexit has had a **negative impact** on their business

## Cross border businesses expect Brexit to impact on... (% of companies saying yes)



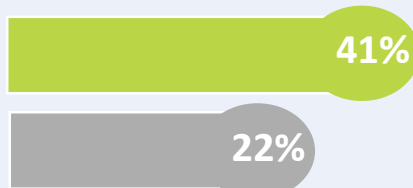
## ✓ PLANS FOR BREXIT

### Businesses were asked about their plans to deal with Brexit

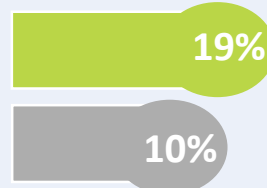


Whilst just **8%** of cross border businesses have made formal plans in preparation of Brexit, the survey shows **informal planning activities have increased**

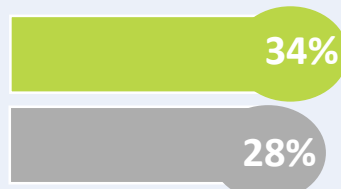
#### DISCUSSED WITH OTHER BUSINESSES



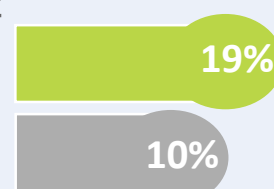
#### SOUGHT ADVICE FROM FINANCIAL ADVISOR



#### HELD INTERNAL MEETING



#### SOUGHT ADVICE FROM TRADE ASSOCIATIONS/GOVERNMENT



■ Q4 ■ Q3

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A telephone survey of 757 business was conducted on an all island basis, with the aim to provide a deeper understanding of the needs, experiences and issues facing businesses. The survey was conducted between the 3<sup>rd</sup> - 22<sup>nd</sup> January 2018.