

A BPF Members Survey

Brexit Questionnaire

December 2018

Participation

The survey was conducted in December 2018.

The survey, which was open exclusively to members of the British Plastics Federation, was completed by 104 firms.

The respondents were drawn from the following plastics industry sectors represented within the BPF:

Plastics Processors	56%
Raw Materials (Producers and Distributors)	22%
Recyclers	14%
Machinery and Equipment	9%

Did your company support Brexit in the 2016 referendum?

Yes	4%
No	55%
No Position from Company	41%

Has your company's position on Brexit altered since 2016?

Yes	2%
No	62%
No Position from Company	36%

Would your company back a second referendum on the final Brexit deal?

Yes	47%
No	21%
Don't Know	32%

Supply Chain

Does your company expect Brexit to cause significant disruption to your current supply chain?

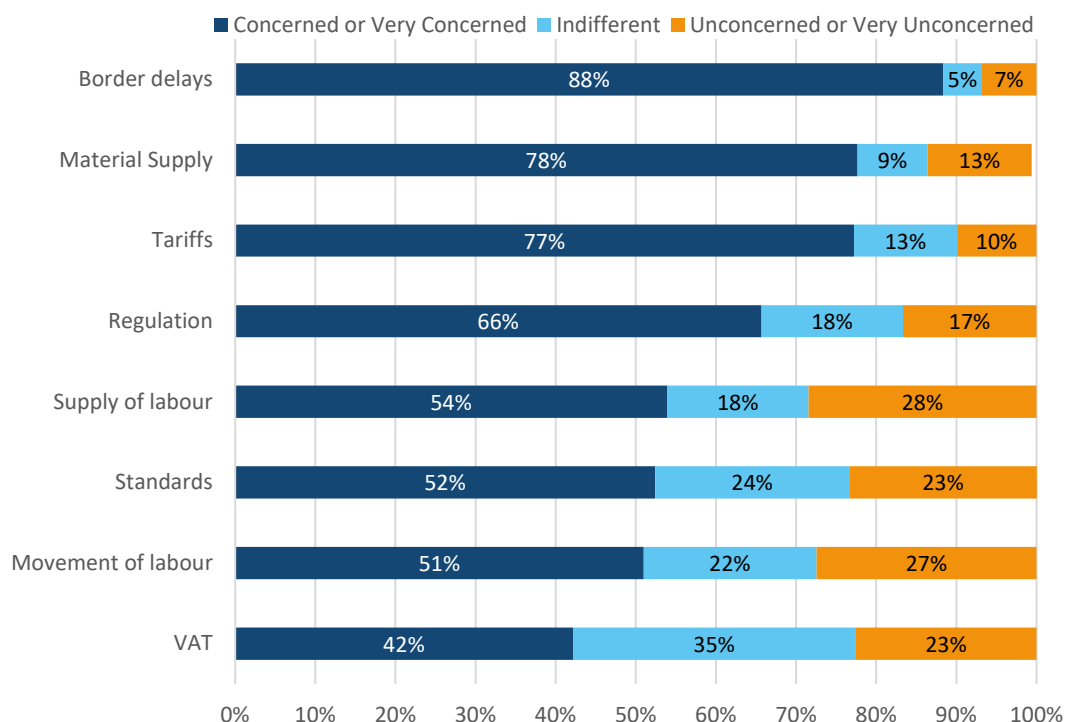
Yes	63%
No	17%
Don't Know	20%

Following Brexit, and if it were a requirement, do you know if your current products would satisfy EU Rules of Origin*?

Yes, they would meet EU Rules of Origin	66%
No, they would not meet EU Rules of Origin	6%
Don't Know	28%

** For context: Rules of origin define the economic nationality of a good. They are integral to trade deals because they determine whether goods meet the criteria for zero or reduced tariff rates in a free trade agreement*

Which elements of Brexit are you most concerned about for your business?



Opportunities & Concerns

Does your company expect to find new business opportunities as a result of Brexit?

Yes	21%
No	58%
Don't Know	21%

Does your company expect to lose business as a result of Brexit?

Yes	42%
No	29%
Don't Know	29%

Do you think a Brexit that will ultimately benefit your business will be delivered?

Yes	7%
No	66%
Don't Know	27%

Staffing

Have you seen any staff leaving as a result of Brexit?

Yes	21%
No	73%
Don't Know	6%

If yes, which in which roles were these staff employed?

Management (supervisor and up)	13%
Technical (setter, technician, engineer etc.)	58%
Low-skilled workers (i.e. shop floor)	83%

Have you had difficulty recruiting staff as a result of Brexit?

Yes	25%
No	61%
Don't Know	14%

If yes, which in which roles were these staff employed?

Management (supervisor and up)	14%
Technical (setter, technician, engineer etc.)	38%
Low-skilled workers (i.e. shop floor)	83%

No Deal and Contingency Planning

What impact would a 'no deal' Brexit have on your organisation?

Very Positive	1%
Positive	6%
No Impact	5%
Negative	32%
Very negative	44%
Don't Know	12%

Has your company made any contingency plans in the event of 'no-deal'?

Yes	53%
No	47%



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