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This document contains information about selected studies on Brexit and its potential impacts which are relevant to businesses, large and small, and to communities and organisations who may be impacted by Brexit. The PDF will be updated regularly as new studies are published or as we become aware of older, relevant studies. It is not an exhaustive list but a collection of documents which may be useful. It is organised in alphabetical order by title.

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Brexit Report	DCU Brexit Institute	The DCU Brexit Institute has been tracking the developments of the Brexit negotiations, and exploring their impact for specific economic sectors. This booklet aims to summarise its key contributions to date and the current state of the Brexit process from a range of perspectives.	June 2018	http://dcubrexitinstitute.eu/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/brexit_report_spread.pdf
Cross Border Supply Chain Report and Infographic	Northern Ireland Statistics and Research Agency	This study provides information on the frequency with which goods are moved across the border between Northern Ireland and Ireland and the purposes for which they are used. NISRA undertook a survey of NI businesses trading with IE and analysed microdata with a particular focus on how goods were moved across the border and the nature and extent of supply chain linkages.	June 2018	https://www.nisra.gov.uk/sites/nisra.gov.uk/files/publicat ions/SCS_JUNE2018_FINAL.pdf https://www.nisra.gov.uk/sites/nisra.gov.uk/files/publicat ions/SCS_infographic.pdf
The Withdrawal Agreement	The European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and	The European Commission and the United Kingdom's Withdrawal Agreement of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland from the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community, as provided for under Article 50 of the Treaty on European Union. The Withdrawal Agreement establishes the terms of	November 2018	https://ec.europa.eu/commission/sites/beta- political/files/draft_withdrawal_agreement_0.pdf

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	Northern Ireland,	the UK's withdrawal from the EU. It ensures that the withdrawal will happen in an orderly manner, and offers legal certainty once the Treaties and EU law will cease to apply to the UK.		
Potential impact of WTO tariffs on cross-border trade	InterTradeIreland	The nature of the trade arrangements that will be in place following the exit of the UK from the EU is currently unknown and will be the subject of considerable negotiation over the coming years. To inform this process, this research examines current cross-border trading patterns and considers the potential impacts on overall trade of the application of current EU WTO tariffs.	March 2018	https://intertradeireland.com/brexit/brexit-research/
Cross-border trade & supply chain linkages	InterTradeIreland	The report shows that for over half (51%) of Irish exporters, NI is the destination for more than 50% of their exports, while for just over 25% of Irish firms, NI is the destination for more than 95% of their exports. Key findings include: NI accounts for between 10-12% of total exports from Ireland to the UK as a whole and accounted for 7-8% of imports. The reports finds a very significant share of cross-border trade is accounted for by firms that trade in both directions.	March 2018	https://intertradeireland.com/brexit/brexit-research/
Export Participation and Performance of Firms on the Island of Ireland	InterTradeIreland	This report examines firm participation in exporting, export performance and determinants of export destinations for firms across the island of Ireland. Using detailed aggregate and firm-level data from both Northern Ireland and Ireland, the report aims to give as comprehensive a picture as possible about cross-border trade and the	September 2018	https://intertradeireland.com/brexit/brexit-research/

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		international activities of firms in both economies.		
The Future Relationship Between the United Kingdom and the European Union	HM Government	The 'Chequers' Agreement. Full document.	July 2018	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uplo ads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/725288/The_f uture_relationship_between_the_United_Kingdom_and_t he_European_Union.pdf
Brexit and Agriculture in Northern Ireland Fifth Report of Session 2017–19	House of Commons Northern Ireland Affairs Committee	In the light of the significant implications Brexit will have for Northern Ireland's agriculture sector, an inquiry into Brexit and Agriculture in Northern was held to consider the opportunities and challenges facing Northern Ireland's agriculture sector following Brexit It considers issues arising such as the UK's future trading relationship with the EU, but also broader questions about how an agriculture policy could support the sector in Northern Ireland in years to come.	October 2018	https://publications.parliament.uk/pa/cm201719/cmselect/cmniaf/939/939.pdf
The UK border: preparedness for EU exit	National Audit Office (UK)	The purpose of this report is to assess how prepared UK government departments are for the changes required at the border after EU exit. The focus is on the progress government has made with its operational planning and delivery of the changes to border operations which will be required by the UK's exit from the EU. It examines 20 high-impact border-related EU exit work	October 2018	https://www.nao.org.uk/wp- content/uploads/2018/10/The-UK-border-preparedness- for-EU-exit.pdf

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		streams including key ports, Eurotunnel and airports to understand the operational impact of Brexit.		
Assessing the exposure of EU27 regions and cities to the UK's withdrawal from the European Union	European Committee of the Regions (CoR)	This details the consequences of Brexit on trade and the economy in the EU27 regions and cities. Based heavily on data gathered from a joint survey with EUROCHAMBRES, it summarises the expected economic and social effects and the impact on public administrations, and setting out conclusions and recommendations.	March 2018	https://cor.europa.eu/Documents/Migrated/news/Final-Report-on-the-UK-withdrawal.pdf
BORDERING ON BREXIT: Views from Local Communities in the Central Border Region of Ireland / Northern Ireland	Irish Central Border Area Network (ICBAN), working with Queen's University Belfast	The purpose of this project was to give a voice to members of local communities on both sides of the border in this Region, to better understand the potential and actual impact of Brexit even at this early stage. The study sought the views of people living in rural communities on both sides of the Central Border Region.	November 2017	https://www.qub.ac.uk/brexit/Brexitfilestore/Filetoupload,780606,en.pdf
BREXIT AT THE BORDER: Voices of local communities in the Central Border Region of Ireland / Northern Ireland	Irish Central Border Area Network (ICBAN), working with Queen's University Belfast	This report follows on from the 'Bordering on Brexit' report. It differs in that it examines the opinions of people and businesses in this border region on issues such as proposed technological solutions, their views of a hard border, their opinions about representations on Brexit and funding for the area etc.	June 2018	http://icban.com/site/wp- content/uploads/2018/06/Brexit-at-the-Border-FINAL- Jun-18.pdf
		The report provides a platform to directly communicate the voices of communities from the Central Border area of Northern Ireland / Ireland, which is and will be the Region most affected by the Brexit process.		

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Building Stronger Business: Responding to Brexit by competing, innovating and trading	Department of Enterprise, Business and Innovation (DEBI)	This paper focuses on the response of DBEI to the range of challenges and opportunities arising as a result of Brexit. It sets out DBEI's positions and priorities that will underpin our engagement in the Brexit process as it unfolds and assist us to respond to wider global trade and economic developments	November 2017	https://dbei.gov.ie/en/Publications/Publication-files/Building-Stronger-Business-Responding-to-Brexit-by-competing-innovating-and-trading.pdf
Brexit: Options for a future regulatory framework for trade in services and customs and trade procedures between the EU and the UK	National Board of Trade: Sweden (Kommers Kollegium)	The Swedish Government commissioned the National Board of Trade to analyse and provide alternatives for how trade in services between the EU and the UK can be regulated after a UK withdrawal from the EU and its single market. The assignment included analysing and providing alternatives for how customs and trade procedures for the trade in goods between the EU and the UK can be designed after a UK withdrawal from the EU.	March 2017	https://www.kommers.se/In-English/Publications/2017/Brexit/
Initial Analysis of the Challenges and Opportunities of Brexit for the Derry City and Strabane and Donegal County Council Areas— The North West City Region	Derry City and Strabane District Council and Donegal County Council	This summary report provides a brief review of the scoping study on the potential impacts of the Brexit decision on the North West Region (NWR) and some initial estimates of the potential impacts of Brexit on employment in the NWR, given its current economic profile and its position along what will become a land border between an EU member state and a non-member state. It offers consideration of what actions might be taken by the two Councils, government and non-government stakeholders to minimise these impacts and ensure any opportunities are fully explored and developed.	February 2017	https://www.derrystrabane.com/getmedia/f1f1bbb6-e336-4acf-9fd9-5e1e171fe43f/Initial-Analysis-of-the-Challenges-and-Opportunities-of-Brexit-for-the-North-West-City-Region-150217.pdf Presentation on this report: https://www.derrystrabane.com/getmedia/5875f3e5-c3aa-4a7d-8f23-8265d76488f2/Strategic-Growth-Conference-Presentation-06-Dec-2016.pdf
The Product and Sector Level	Economic and	The UK exit from the European Union (Brexit) is	November	http://www.esri.ie/publications/the-product-and-sector-level-impact-

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Impact of a Hard Brexit across the EU	Social Research Institute (ESRI) Working Paper No. 550	likely to have a range of impacts, with trade flows likely to be most affected. One possible outcome of Brexit is a situation where WTO tariffs apply to merchandise trade between the UK and the EU. By examining detailed trade flows between the UK and all other EU members, matching over 5200 products to the WTO tariff applicable to external EU trade this paper shows that such an outcome would result in significantly different impacts across countries.	2016	of-a-hard-brexit-across-the-eu/
Modelling the Medium to Long Term Potential Macroeconomic Impact of Brexit on Ireland	Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI) Working Paper No. 480	There is almost a complete consensus in the international literature that BREXIT will have a negative effect on the UK economy both in the short and long-run. The UK is one of Ireland's closest economic partners and little is known about the potential macro-economic impact that BREXIT could have on the Irish economy. In this paper, we use the new COre Structural MOdel of the Irish economy (COSMO) to attempt to quantify the medium to long-run impact of BREXIT on the Irish economy under a series of alternative scenarios. These scenarios are intended to cover a range of potential agreements between the UK and the EU. We find that the level of Irish output is permanently below what it otherwise would have been in the absence of BREXIT.	November 2016	https://www.esri.ie/publications/modelling-the-medium-to-long-term-potential-macroeconomic-impact-of-brexit-on-ireland/
UK EU EXIT – AN EXPOSURE ANALYSIS OF SECTORS OF THE IRISH ECONOMY	Department of Finance	This paper examines the trade exposures of sectors of the Irish economy to the UK in light of the United Kingdom's (UK's) decision to exit the European Union (EU). The nature and the size of any economic consequences on Ireland	October 2016	http://www.budget.gov.ie/Budgets/2017/Documents/An Exposure A nalysis of Sectors of the Irish Economy%20 final.pdf

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		arising from this decision will depend on the eventual terms of the UK's withdrawal and its future relations with the EU, involving a range of potential outcomes. However, most assessments indicate that it is likely that the Irish economy will be adversely affected by the consequences of the UK's exit from the EU, with particular sectors being more vulnerable than others.		
Getting Ireland Brexit Ready	Department of Finance	The aim of this paper is twofold. First it provides an overview of how Brexit may impact on the Irish economy. It identifies the sectors that are most exposed to the UK in terms of trade links and describes their key characteristics. The paper then provides an overview of the policy responses to Brexit that have been introduced in Budget 2017 to enable exposed sectors of Ireland's economy to remain competitive, and to protect the public finances from Brexit-related shocks.	October 2016	http://www.budget.gov.ie/Budgets/2017/Documents/Getting%20Ireland%20Brexit%20Ready_final.pdf Infographic http://www.budget.gov.ie/Budgets/2017/Documents/Getting_Ireland_Brexit_ready_infographic.pdf
THE UK'S EXIT FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION: Northern Ireland and Ireland Position Paper	HM Government: Northern Ireland Office and Department for Exiting the European Union	This paper outlines the United Kingdom's (UK) position on how to address the unique circumstances of Northern Ireland and Ireland in light of the UK's withdrawal from, and new partnership with, the European Union (EU).	August 2017	https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/northern-ireland-and-ireland-a-position-paper
THE UK'S EXIT FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION: Northern Ireland and Ireland	HM Government: Northern Ireland Office and	This annex summarises the available trade data and statistics relating to Northern Ireland as of August 2017. It includes:	August 2017	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/638215/Additional_Data_Paper

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Position Paper Additional Data Paper : Northern Ireland Trade Data and Statistics	Department for Exiting the European Union	 Value of trade between Northern Ireland, Ireland and Great Britain Characteristics of exporting businesses in Northern Ireland Volumes of freight to and from Northern Ireland Agriculture and food cross-border supply chains 		Northern Ireland Trade Data and Statistics 2 .pdf
THE UK'S EXIT FROM THE EUROPEAN UNION: Northern Ireland and Ireland Position Paper Additional Data Paper: Common Travel Area Data and Statistics	HM Government: Northern Ireland Office and Department for Exiting the European Union	This annex summarises the available data and statistics relating to movement within the Common Travel Area between Ireland and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland as of August 2017. It includes: •Information on cross-border travel via public, private, air and ferry transport •Statistics on commuting for work and education •Data on the volume of external visitors and value of tourism •Details of cross-border communities and cooperation •Statistics on long term migration	August 2017	https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uplo ads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/638137/Additi onal_Data_Paper Northern_Ireland_Common_Travel_Area.pdf
Addressing the Skills Needs Arising from the Potential Trade Implications of Brexit	Expert Group on Future Skills Needs	This report is a cross-sectoral piece of contingency analysis, which identifies and, through its recommendations, seeks to address the skills needs for the Irish enterprise base arising from the potential trade implications of Brexit. Its focus is mainly on those skillsets associated with the facilitation of trade across international borders, and its diversification into and from new markets.	June 2018	https://dbei.gov.ie/en/Publications/Publication-files/Skills-needs-potential-trade-implications-Brexit.pdf

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Brexit Issues Paper	Association of Irish Local Government (AILG)	Few current issues have generated so much commentary, analysis and prediction and yet few issues have been surrounded by so much uncertainty. It was in that context that the Association of Irish Local Government policy group attempted to highlight some areas which had the potential to be of consequence for to the local government sector.	September 2017	http://www.ailg.ie/uploads/file/general-items-2017/ailg- brexit-position-brochure-sept-2017.pdf
Quarterly Economic Observer 20 th Edition, Winter 2016	Nevin Economic Research Institute (NERI)	This edition of the NERI's <i>Quarterly Economic Observer</i> includes an examination of the potential impacts of a 'Hard BREXIT' on the Northern Ireland economy (Section 2).	Winter 2016	https://www.nerinstitute.net/research/quarterly-economic-observer-winter-2016/
Brexit Impact Studies	European Parliament	The European Parliament has commissioned dozens of impact assessments or studies on Brexit from experts, across a broad range of policy areas, which are publicly available online. This webpage will be regularly updated to include further relevant publications. These documents can be found on the European	On going	http://www.europarl.europa.eu/unitedkingdom/en/ukevents/brexitstudies.html
		Parliament Committees and the European Parliamentary Research Service webpages.		