

The Bank of Ireland Agri Pulse finds that sentiment was at a low ebb in August 2019. Growing fears that the UK will leave the EU without a deal at the end of October, protests at the gates of beef processing factories and a renewed focus on agricultural emissions made for an unsettled backdrop and compared with April – when the survey was last carried out – farmers were more downbeat about production and the outlook for market prices. Investment intentions for the coming year and growth ambitions further out were also softer, with eight in ten expecting Brexit and one in two expecting climate change policies to negatively impact their business.



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