

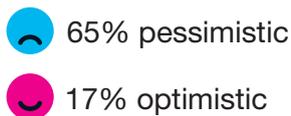


MANAGERS' MIXED OUTLOOK AS UNCERTAINTY TAKES HOLD.

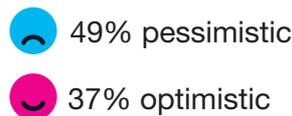
Future Forecast 2017.



Around two-thirds of managers expect economic conditions to deteriorate in the next 12 to 18 months



But the outlook is brighter for the long term (3 to 5 years)



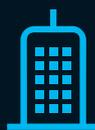
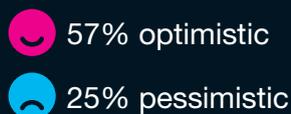
Two in five think the Trump effect on the British economy will be negative



But there are opportunities to be seized



Majority of managers remain optimistic about their own organisations' prospects



The private sector is the most positive

66%
PRIVATE SECTOR



43%
PUBLIC SECTOR



59%
CHARITY SECTOR



Managers are more confident in senior executives' leadership now than in the summer, but...

35%

still lack confidence in UK leadership and management to capitalise on post-Brexit opportunities

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Improving productivity is a top priority in 2017.
To tackle the issue, managers want to:



invest in the
right technology



improve management
and leadership skills



reduce
bureaucracy

Investing in skills should be on every manager's agenda



74%

agree investing
in skills is more
important
than ever
post-Brexit



20%

did not receive
the training and
development needed
to perform their job as
a manager in 2016



47%

support the
Apprenticeship
Levy that will take
effect from
April 2017



Only

18%

oppose the
Apprenticeship
Levy that will take
effect from
April 2017



"Although it's clear that there are significant challenges posed by the UK's decision to Brexit, as a country we need to move forward and harness pragmatic positivity. UK business will play a vital role in making this a success. In 2017 we have an opportunity to stand together and tackle longstanding issues like the productivity gap, currently 21% lower than other G7 countries"

Ann Francke, CEO, Chartered Management Institute

CMI's annual *Future Forecast* research was completed by 1,118 managers across the UK and looks at trends and plans for the year ahead.

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