

Brexit - What next?
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Grey line / box - possible but prob not calculated
 Black line - thin - low probability
 Black line - thick - high probability
 Red dotted line - route ruled out

0.2 Probability at a decision node
 12% Accumulated probability of outcome

Johnson settles on policy of demanding the Backstop is removed from the Withdrawal Agreement (WA), otherwise No Deal - and announces prorogation of Parliament 9 Sept - 14 October

Due to prorogation announcement Remain parties change tactics and **Corbyn tables Vote of No Confidence**

Remain parties stick to original **plan to legislate to stop No Deal Brexit** - based on a Cooper-Boles style mechanism

VONC succeeds

VONC fails

Legislative efforts succeed and law is passed

MPs fail to control Commons agenda, or legislative efforts fail and law is not passed

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Interim administration with centrist PM formed - goes for **General Election**

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Interim administration with centrist PM formed - goes for **People's Vote**

Johnson changes tack, seeks to **revert Irish Backstop to original form** - only applies to NI - Requires change to Withdrawal Agreement but EU is OK with principle

Johnson accepts the Backstop and seeks to **pass the Withdrawal Agreement (WA)** through Commons

Johnson goes off to Brussels and **requests more time**, as the Commons has instructed him

Johnson says he is still seeking a **Brexit with a Deal**, but does **not** explicitly ask EU for more time - sits it out

Seeing there is no support for his way forward, Johnson **calls an election**

Commons passes law to request Article 50 Extension during 14 day period

EU agrees

EU doesn't agree

EU agrees to unconditionally grant the UK more time

EU refuses to unconditionally grant the UK more time

Johnson just sits it out, and refuses to go an ask for an Article 50 Extension, threatening No Deal during an election campaign

UK heads for major constitutional crisis

Commons votes **in favour** of Deal with original backstop

Commons votes **against** Deal with original backstop

WA passes

WA doesn't pass

PM needs 2/3 majority of Commons to vote for an early General Election - will be achieved if combined with Art 50 extension to avoid No Deal

PM goes to Brussels to ask for a short Art 50 Extension to allow an election to happen - will be granted

Maugham et al case succeeds to stop prorogation

Prorogation succeeds and Commons does not sit until 14 October

UK is in uncharted waters as it has effectively suspended its legislature - how this practically will play out is anyone's guess

Protests?
 Strikes?
 Alternative Parliament?
 Queen intervenes?

14 or 15 October
 Vote of No Confidence (VONC)

VONC passes

VONC doesn't pass

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EU agrees at the last minute to unconditionally grant the UK more time, to avert No Deal

Might need emergency legislation to prevent No Deal in 14 day period

Might need emergency legislation to prevent No Deal before 31 Oct - will pass

Legislation passes

Legislation doesn't pass

UK has approved a Brexit Deal, but then heads for a General Election as DUP no longer supports Conservatives
Chance: 1%

UK heads for a **General Election** sometime **Autumn 2019** (needs few months extension of Art 50 to organise - EU will agree this)
Chance: 64%

UK plans 2nd Referendum **early 2020** (needs 9-12 months ext of Art 50 to organise - EU will agree this)
Chance: 4%

Brexit with a Deal happens legally but probably **after 31 Oct 2019** (needs short technical Art 50 extension)
Chance: 2%

No Deal Brexit looms on 31 October 2019,
Chance: 20%

Commons votes to **Revoke Article 50**
Chance: 0%

Further extension to **Article 50** period granted to UK, but with no clear justification
Chance: 9%

Cumulative Chance GE: 68%
 Cumulative Chance Deal: 3%

Impossible to predict what would happen at a General Election!

Note: No Deal could happen after a General Election, but I cannot predict how a General Election will go

Until 9 Sept

Party conf

Until 31 October