

# Brexit What Next?

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Diagram is organised chronologically

The thickness of the lines is proportional to  
the accumulated probability

Probability at each node is indicated with  
numbers - 0.1 to 1

Probability of each outcome is indicated as  
a percentage in the orange boxes at the  
end

## Important interim probabilities in this version

Chances Johnson is PM at 17 October  
European Council: **25%**

Chances he is not: **75%**

Supreme Court rules  
prorogation  
is justiciable, and  
this prorogation is  
unlawful and is  
annulled

Commons sits  
again 24 September  
onwards

Johnson refuses  
to resign

Johnson resigns

Vote of No  
Confidence  
(VONC) late Sept

VONC fails

VONC succeeds

Johson goes to the  
European Council  
17 Oct

Johnson refuses  
everything,  
and does not ask for  
extension as  
Commons requested

Johnson gets a Deal  
that he brings back to  
the Commons

EU offers UK a 3  
month extension  
*anyway* (Art 50 only  
requires agreement  
of exiting Member  
State), complies with  
Benn Act

Johnson asks for an  
Article 50  
extension to allow  
the UK to hold a  
General Election, or  
Vince-Maugham  
*case nobile  
officium* forces the  
letter to be sent

Opposition parties  
and ex-Tories unify  
behind a caretaker  
Prime Minister

Caretaker takes UK  
towards a General  
Election

Caretaker takes UK  
towards a 2nd  
Referendum

Deal fails

Deal passes

Vote of No  
Confidence (VONC)  
around 21 Oct

VONC fails

VONC succeeds

Last minute Deal  
versus Revoke  
showdown

Last minute formation  
of Govt with  
Caretaker PM, asks  
EU for ext for a  
General Election

**Brexit with a Deal**  
(will require a  
technical Article 50  
Extension to  
implement)  
**1%**

**General Election  
before end of 2019**  
(requires 3 month  
Article 50 Extension)  
**88%**

**2nd Referendum  
sometime 2020**  
(requires 6-9 month  
Article 50 Extension)  
**7%**

**No Deal 31 Oct**  
**1%**

**Article 50 Revoked**  
UK stays in the EU  
**3%**

A VONC will only pass with the backing of some of the Tories that lost the whip. These MPs will not back Jeremy Corbyn as interim PM, and nor will they back a VONC if it leads to chaos / danger of No Deal

Note: there is no legal form for a "Caretaker Prime Minister" - this means a majority of MPs would back a neutral figure (not a party leader) for an interim period, with criteria to deliver a General Election or People's Vote

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