

Divided Britain heads to the polls

With the UK deeply divided over Brexit, how people voted in the 2016 referendum is key to which party they will support in the election



► **BREXIT VOTE:** Narrow victory for **Leave** voters in 2016. Appeals for second referendum denied by **Conservative** government, but promised by **Labour** if they win election* Outcome could be determined by concentration of voters:

60% Leave voters back Conservatives

40% Remain voters support Labour



NORTHERN IRELAND
(18 seats in Westminster, voted **Remain** in EU). Pro-EU nationalist parties **Sinn Fein** and **SDLP** have agreed electoral pact that could threaten two **Democratic Unionist Party** seats



WALES
(40 seats in Westminster, voted **Leave** EU). **Labour** dominant in last 26 elections but now level in polls with **Conservatives** at just below 30% – down 20 points on 2017. Pact between Brexit-opposing **Lib Dems**, **Plaid Cymru** and **Greens** could be significant



SCOTLAND (59 seats in Westminster, voted **Remain** in EU): **Scottish National Party** pushing for second referendum on independence (proposal rejected in 2014 ballot)



ENGLAND (533 seats in Westminster, voted **Leave** EU). Most fiercely contested seats, with **Conservatives** targeting **Labour** constituencies in north and Midlands that voted **Leave**, and **Liberal Democrats** and **Labour** eyeing Tory seats that voted **Remain**

ELECTION:
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*Not re-run of 2016, but choice of leaving with Labour deal or remaining in EU

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