# The British National Strategic Fund

Investment Strategy

In promoting economic equality and independence

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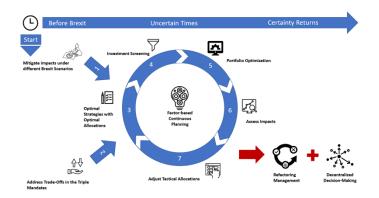


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### **Executive Summary**

With Brexit looming, the road ahead for United Kingdom is a challenging one. Uncertainty has many industries, companies and individuals waiting on the sidelines for the results dictating the future of the UK economy. Rainbow Consulting has created three different scenarios based on the possible Brexit outcomes and the asset allocation that should be attributed to each scenario. Our investment frame is illustrated on the right.



### Research shows that industries like steel

and automotive have once been a vital part of the UK's overall economy, but as times have changed and the UK economy has shifted from manufacturing to service-providing, these industries have declined. Although BNSF recognizes the significance of these industries, instead of directly investing in a dying industry, we will help gradually phase them out through public investments while promoting new economic growth in cities which will most be affected by the dying sectors.



Our focus lies in the future growth of the UK economy. Hence, our investments focus on the development of 5 UK cities to boost the overall UK economy and promote equality as well as on developing industries that are new and have large potentials to grow (i.e. fintech, artificial intelligence, and robotics). Focusing on these industries will help the UK become more self-sufficient and move on from industries that are falling behind. We also chose to invest in companies such as BP and Tesco that have high ESG ratings and employ more than

400,000 individuals in the UK. Supporting home grown conglomerates that are focusing on green futures satisfies the triple mandate while also ensures investment returns.

In the asset selection process, we have selected assets based on the different geolocations including UK based, UK international, and foreign investments. For the asset classes, our portfolio includes public UK, US, Japanese, and Germany equities, public fixed income, gold, private equity, and private fixed income. This divide our overall portfolio into public and private investments. The private investments satisfy our mandates for economic independence and promoting the well-being of the UK whereas our public investments diversify and optimize the whole portfolio return. The fund's allocation weights will vary for the different scenarios of Brexit as more job loss may occur and specific sectors may be impacted under no-deal or hard deal scenarios.

After maximizing the Sharpe ratio and considering the triple mandate, the return for our portfolio given the three Brexit outcomes are 9.75%, 8.71%, and 7.67% for Soft, Hard, and No-Deal Brexit accordingly.

### **OUR APPROACH TO THE CASE**

BNSF's board members have varying opinions on how the fund's capital should be allocated, but one thing that should be kept in mind is the fund's mandates and the ultimate goal of British economic independence as well as the long-term well-being of the British population. Our strategies directly address the major concerns of the board, including investing in local SMEs, creating new national champions, promoting technological innovations, and diversifying away from the British economy for a sustainable fund. Some concerns brought forth by the board, however, cannot be economically addressed by the limited capital and will, instead, be indirectly addressed by the improved UK economy, the inflow of foreign investments, and the development of reginal cities that will, for example, drive increased demand for infrastructure. A major risk of failing to achieve the mandates is the economic uncertainty tied to the outcome of the Brexit negotiations. As January 1st, 2021 is the end of the Brexit transition period, we must prepare for all three outcomes (Soft, Hard, and No-Deal Brexit).

First, in alignment with BNSF's mandates, we summarized 4 overarching investment strategies forming the most optimal solution addressing all the major concerns. Second, in order to execute the strategies effectively, we have a rigorous screening process to ensure the quality of our investments and a maximized economic return. Third, we set out quantitative targets regarding the portfolio returns addressing each of the mandates. In order to make sure that BNSF meets its required minimum return, we ran a portfolio optimization analysis to find the minimum weighting of public investments needed to ensure that the public investment portion of the portfolio is able to guarantee the generation of over 2.83% total portfolio annual return. It is a top priority for the BNSF to impact the overall British well-being, other than chasing high numbers of returns. Therefore, our remaining portfolio weighting will be focused on making an impact on the well-being of the UK economy. BNSF should also issue its own agency bond in addition to the £20 billion available to the fund to meet the extra municipal bond demands should the cities' performance justify more investments. Finally, BNSF should adjust its asset allocation based on closely monitoring the outcome of Brexit and the performance of the investments. BNSF will allocate more of its portfolio towards investments that address the short-term impacts in case of a No-Deal Brexit

### THE OPTIMAL STRATEGY

1. To invest in municipal bonds to promote the UK's economic independence and address its socio-economic inequalities.

BNSF should invest in the private municipal bonds of 5 UK cities: Manchester, Newcastle, Birmingham, Sheffield, and Plymouth. These cities are carefully selected to boost Northern UK economic growth, diversify the UK economy's reliance on automotive and steel industries, and drive demand and infrastructure developments through increased tourism. The cities offer geographic and industry diversification to minimize investment risks and allow for a ripple effect in the developments of neighbouring cities.

In ensuring maximum result in the development of the cities, BNSF should continue to invest in the 5 cities given they meet the set of performance requirements set out by BNSF (Table 1). The performance of the cities will be evaluated every year, and BNSF should require that each city submits an annual budget.

Manchester	- Maintain current level of annual GDP per capita (2.9%)
	- Slow down annual unemployment rate growth by 0.2% then aim to reverse and
	decrease unemployment rate by 0.2% per year.
Newcastle	<ul> <li>Reverse annual GDP per capita decline.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Decrease change in annual unemployment rate to -0.3%.</li> </ul>
Birmingham	<ul> <li>Increase annual GDP per capita growth to 2%.</li> </ul>
	- Slow down annual unemployment rate growth by 0.3% then aim to reverse and
	decrease unemployment.
Sheffield	<ul> <li>Increase annual GDP per capita growth to 2%.</li> </ul>
	- Maintain current level of annual unemployment rate decline of -0.9% each year.
Plymouth	- Increase annual GDP per capita growth to 2%.
-	- Slow down annual unemployment rate growth by 0.1% then aim to reverse and
	decrease unemployment by 0.2% per year.

Table 1: City Performance Targets for Year 1 (See appendix 12-16 for current city performance)

 To invest in PE funds and social enterprises in areas that are most vulnerable to Brexit to address immediate impacts in the event of a hard Brexit; to invest in PE funds and social enterprises which promote the long-term well-being of the British population.

This strategy is to invest in the private equity funds that allow BNSF to combat immediate impacts of Brexit like job losses as well as to help build the future economy of the UK. As addressed in the case, The UK is currently facing a historically high unemployment rate due to the decline of manufacturing and offshoring, as well as the uncertainty added by Covid-19. Further, the loss of financial passports and the erection of trade barriers due to Brexit will result in the financial and other

international companies moving out of the UK and consequently leading to more job losses. Therefore, the unemployment rate is projected to increase in any Brexit scenario, but being the worst under Hard Brexit.

Investing in PE funds will not only add diversity to our portfolio but also lower unemployment rate directly and indirectly by providing resources to social enterprises and local companies with growth potential. BNSF can

- 1. Choose funds that support small companies to create more job opportunities directly or
- 2. Select funds that focus on solving social issues like employment and income inequality, thus lowering the unemployment rate indirectly.

In measuring the performance of the funds, BNSF will require the funds to send an impact report annually. To ensure that the funds allow us to achieve our overall portfolio's goal of improving the unemployment rate and increasing the average wage, we will evaluate their impact outcomes based on three criteria:

### **Quantitative metrics:**

i) Number of jobs created

ii) Number of enterprises/people benefiting from the investment

Qualitative metrics:

iii) Whether social enterprises are satisfied with the support from funds (level of satisfaction).

The qualitative part will be collected through annual surveys.

Our overall procedure for this strategy is shown in appendix 33.

# 3. To invest in low/non-correlated assets and British international conglomerates with high ESG scores and local employees to ensure the fund meeting its return objective despite a hard Brexit.

We have filtered out a few large multinational corporations for BNSF to invest in to provide further diversification to the portfolio. To fulfill BNSF's triple mandate, we narrowed down companies that employed or supported local UK citizens, had high MSCI ESG scores (min A-) and would not be affected by the general state of the UK economy. We included global defensive stocks such as Proctor & Gamble and PepsiCo, conglomerates like Microsoft and Japanese ETFs. We also have exposure to alternative assets through commodities markets such as gold and real estate markets through diversified REIT portfolios. Public investments in these types of assets will help provide stability to our portfolio and ensure steady growth and returns.

# 4. To boost the UK's long-term sustainability and independence in the next decades by investing in British venture capital funds that focus on late stage investing in the industry 4.0 and digital economy value chain start-ups and transition away from declining industries.

A Hard / No-Deal Brexit could adversely affect the overall well-being of the British economy, especially on the declining, yet crucial industries like steel and auto. However, given BNSF's limited size and ability, we recommend not to directly invest in these industries long-term. Instead, BNSF. should focus on investments in the technology sector that could either increase UK's manufacturing productivities or help UK secure a leadership position in the digital economy.

UK is quickly losing market shares and attractiveness to other nations in traditional manufacturing industries. For instance, the average UK auto industry growth over the last 5 years was -1.8%. Investment in such sectors generate low returns and make little social impacts. On the other hand, The UK has a leading position in Europe when it comes to technology, attracting far more investments into the sector than other countries on the continent. (London Stock Exchange Group, 2017). As one of the top priorities of BNSF is the future of the UK's economy, we recommended that BNSF take advantage of the British leadership in R&D, manufacturing, and finance by promoting UK's development in the next economic trends, which are the digital economy and Industry 4.0. Currently, the UK is ranked just 23rd in Europe in the Industry 4.0 development index (Hayriye Atika and Fatma Ünlüa, 2019) (appendix 22). Regional efforts around cyber security, e-commerce, robotics, 3D printing, and AI are expected to benefit the sustainability and independence of the economy. For example, they can improve the productivities in the manufacturing space and address the UK's national security concerns regarding big data over the next decades.

BNSF should partner with selected venture capital funds to invest in late venture stage tech UK tech start-ups based on the value chain they sit on in the Michael Porter's value chain framework while considering their size and growth potential. It is recommended that BNSF tracks the performance of its investments by assessing the companies' revenue growth rate comparing to its relative benchmark and its market share every year, as well as making sure that the companies' long-term strategies are in line with fulfilling BNSF's mandates.

### INVESTMENT SELECTION PROCESS AND STRATEGY IMPLEMENTATION

#### Selection and implementation process of cities investments

In addressing BNSF's first and second mandates, the fund should invest explicitly in 5 UK cities: Manchester, Newcastle, Birmingham, Sheffield, and Plymouth. The cities are selected to best support the UK's economic growth, enable its self-efficiency, and address socio-economic inequalities within the nation.

### Boost Northern Economic Growth

In general, over the past decades, Northern UK has experienced slower economic growth in comparison to Southern UK. Most evidently, North East England has the slowest growth. In 2018, GDP per capita of North East England was £23.6K and GDP

per capita of North West England is £28.5K while that of South East England is £34.1K and South West England is £28.2K (ONS, 2019) (Appendix 8). Similarly, the average gross weekly earnings of those in the North West regions were £562 between April and June of 2020 compared to £730 and £613 in South East and South West respectively (ONS, 2020) (Appendix 9). The life expectancy is also higher in the South than the North by 3 years (ONS, 2016) (Appendix 10).

Investment decisions regarding supporting economic growth in the Northern regions can be based on a set of indicators measuring the potential of various cities in soaking up future R&D funding and transforming investments into outcomes. Based on the indicators of patents strength, trademarks strength, university innovation strength, business innovation strength, skills and spillover strength, and infrastructure strength, the city with the highest growth potential in the North West region is Manchester, and the highest growth potential city in the North East region is Newcastle (Appendix 11). The BNSP will therefore invest in these two cities' municipal bonds to support the growth of Northern UK.



#### **Diversify Reliance on Automotive and Steel Industries**

Historically, the UK is one of the major Steel and Iron exporters in the world. Currently, the UK's Iron and Steel industry generates an annual revenue of £5.7 billion and its growth rate has been declining at an average of 3.3% over the past 5 years due to climate change policies and increased competition. Annual growth rate is further projected to decline for the next 5 years at a 0.7% rate (Thomas, 2020). Brexit could also potentially limit the export demand from EU countries.

Similarity, UK was once the largest exporter of cars in the world. Currently, with a market size of £51 billion, the average industry growth over the last 5 years was -1.8%. Exports dropped by 3.1% in February 2020 in comparison to the same month last year due to lowered consumer confidence following Brexit, climate change concerns, and COVID-19 impacts. (Thomas, 2020)

As a result, to support the UK's economic growth, BNSF will help major iron and steel producing cities as well as automotive manufacturing cities to diversify away from a reliance on exporting minerals and automotive. In particular, BNSF will invest in the digital economy and Industry 4.0 technologies of Birmingham, a major automotive city in the Midlands region, and Sheffield, the "Steel City".

#### Tourism Development Plan

The UK is the 5<sup>th</sup> largest tourism sector in the world (Christoff, 2019) and the World Travel & Tourism Council (WTTC) claims that it still has room for growth. According to Gloria Guevara, president of WTTC, "Post-Brexit, travel and tourism stands to be one of the major sectors to drive a recovery in the British economy." Consequently, BNSF will invest in a major tourism city, Plymouth, to drive economic growth through tourism. Plymouth, Britain's "Ocean-City", has had government spending decrease by 12% from 2010 to 2018, and are ranked among the lowest of the UK cities in terms of number of business starts, business stock per capita, proportion of private sector jobs, and housing growth stocks. (CenterForCities, 2019) Yet, Plymouth has strong university innovation and strong skills and spillover (Appendix 11), and it can therefore improve its economic infrastructures through increased tourism spending and demand.

#### Screening process for impact investing

We selected funds and social enterprises based on three important criteria: 1. The mandate of the PE funds 2. Fund management. 3. The fund's previous impact outcome

#### The mandate of the PE fund

As our strategy is focus on bringing down the unemployment rate, the fund that we choose should also reflect this. There are three situations/types of mandates that satisfy our focus:

- a. Mandate is to support local small and medium sized companies.
- b. Mandate is to support social enterprises that focus on solving social issues, including employment and income inequality.
- c. Mandate is to help people develop the skills, strengths and networks and become more employable. Fund management

As the private fund's performance is highly correlated with the fund manager's decision, it is important to choose a right fund manager. Several factors should be considered: the fund manager's education, qualification, investment experience and fund

management style. In addition, the most important is that he/she should understand our objectives and also be willing to include job creation into the overall fund strategy, and this could be achieved based on interviews with the fund manager. <u>The fund's previous impact outcome</u>

We will rely our analysis on the past outcomes of the fund. Example key indicators for different fund mandates could be number of jobs created, job conversion rate, and number of people/social enterprises/local companies benefitted.

As stated above, we have selected three sample funds:

<u>UnLtd. Venture fund</u>: They help local social entrepreneurs to grow by offering both "loan and grant between £50,000
 – £150,000 with business support". They satisfy the mandate by focusing on the businesses that create more jobs
 and training for people furthest from the labor market for the minor groups (UnLtd, 2018).

Impact outcomes:

- More than 333k people have benefited from the fund.
- Over 1,000 jobs with 7.7 million investments.
- 2. <u>The Big Issue Invest</u>: This fund invests £20k to £3MM into social enterprises with sound business models. Their fund has various projects including one called Circle Collective. It helps young people get access to jobs, and also another project called Collage Arts which is designed to provide support to under-represented sections of the community by offering skills, experience and opportunities in the arts industry and therefore help them get jobs.

Impact outcomes:

- 150 organizations have benefited from the current investment in various projects.
- 3. <u>Big Society Capital</u>: It is a leading impact investment fund in the UK. They engage with investors, fund managers, charities and social enterprises including "The Big Issue Invest fund" mentioned as above. They aim to improve the UK population's lives especially for homelessness and also help youth get employed.

Impact outcomes:

• More than 1200 social enterprises have benefited from the fund.

#### Selection and Implementation process for diversification

We chose a variety of companies that had high ESG scores and employed UK citizens to provide greater diversification to BNSF. These are strategically chosen so BNSF's performance will be minimally affected during adverse economic conditions in the UK. We chose leaders in tech and consumer staple that are ahead of their peers not only in revenue generation but also in aspects such as climate change awareness, governance issues, and treatment of their employees. The fact that the culmination of these conglomerates employ more than 500,000 Brits makes it a great investment for BNSF to provide stability not just in good times, but also in bad. We also chose to invest in 20+ year US treasuries and gold as they have a low correlation with equity returns and can help further diversify our portfolio. See Appendix 5 for a table of companies we propose BNSF invest in and their corresponding ESG scores and employment numbers.

In order to alleviate future negative effects a recession or pandemic like COVID-19 will have on the UK's economy, it is prudent to invest in asset classes and stocks that are not correlated with the ebbs and flows that the UK faces. One such asset is gold, which in the past had a negative correlation to equity returns making it a great hedge for BNSP. The addition of gold into our portfolio will allow us to capture these premiums at times of market uncertainty. Gold is currently trading near all-time highs, at levels that were previously only seen in 1981 and the great financial crisis of 2007-2008. At these levels, it would be unwise to allocate too much of our capital gold only for it to depreciate as the world recovers from COVID-19. This is something that should be strategically added to the portfolio over time. See Appendix 3 for historical gold prices.

Another asset class that going forward shouldn't be affected by economic downturns is UK's very own British Petroleum (BP). BP has previously been at the mercy of oil prices, with crude oil prices reaching a peak in 2008 but has steadily been downhill from there. BP has recognized that they are under the heel of oil prices and that oil consumption will peak in mid-2020s and have a plan in place to transition to green energy by 2050 (British Petroleum, 2019). They believe that the primary energy source by 2050 will be renewables (wind, solar). As they're in this transition phase, S&P has given them an ESG Score of A-and will surely increase as they move towards to net zero by 2050. BP also employs 90,100 through its supply chain networks, either directly or indirectly and contributes 0.5% to the UK GDP. Including BP in our fund is a necessity as they are an essential part of the UK economy.

To add further diversification BNFS's portfolio, the fund will invest in Canadian and American REIT ETFs that have taken a significant hit with the COVID-19 pandemic and have historically provided strong dividends to their shareholders. The benefit of these ETF's is its diversification across real asset classes. The fund also diversified its country risk with investment in a Japanese large and mid-cap ETF; the top holdings of the ETF chosen (EWJ) also have high ESG scores and consists of companies such as Toyota, Sony and Takeda Pharmaceutical.

### Selection and Implementation process for investing in industry 4.0 and digital economy value chain

We referenced Porter's value chain framework to make sure that the suggested portfolio covers the whole value chain in digital economy and industry 4.0(Appendix 6). They include Data and IT Infrastructure, Cyber Security, Industrial Software, Fintech, Artificial Intelligence, and Robotics. BNSF should partner with venture capital funds to invest in British based, small to medium

sized companies in those areas with market capitalization between 100 million to 10 billion Pounds. In order to limit BNSF's exposure to high venture risks and drive developments in the public market, BNSF should invest only in the late-venture stage or public companies. These firms need to demonstrate potential in becoming a segment leader or have high top line growth, focused on employing local employees, and have potential to be expanded internationally.

For example, it is strongly recommended that BNSF should invest in companies like DotDigital, which is a successful A.I. analytics online marketing firm. The British company contributes to the local economy and employment market, and it has a revenue growth in the high teens. Its recent successful IPO also shows its potential to expand internationally, while its data analyzation intellectual properties will be significant in reaching economic independence in the digital age.

Given that the field requires a great amount of due diligence and expertise, it is recommended that BNSF should partner with a few carefully selected venture capital funds with similar investment strategy as BNSF. The partnered funds should be selected based on the history of their portfolio performance, experiences of managing high amount of inflows, and expertise in the field of industry 4.0 related industries. The funds should also be selected based on their DVPI and DPI multiples, their IRR, as well as the historical performance of their invested companies' post-IPO performance in comparison to the corresponding benchmark metrics for late-stage tech investing venture capitals.

It is recommended that BNSF track the performance of its investments by assessing individual companies' revenue growth rate compared to its relative industry benchmark and its market share every year while also making sure that the companies' values are in line with BNSF's mandates

There are high chances that BNSF can become a majority shareholder of the start-ups. Along with the expertise of some of BNSF's board member, seats in the board of directors open more opportunities to ensure that the companies are in favor of achieving BNSF's mandates.

### ASSET ALLOCATION

The asset allocation of BNSF's portfolio is based on three criteria. Firstly, the portfolio must satisfy the required return; secondly, the portfolio must address the short-term disruptions caused by a No-Deal/Hard Brexit; Thirdly, the portfolio allows the long-term development of the UK economy and the well-being of the UK population.

In order to satisfy these three criteria, we first optimize the weightings of the public investments in our portfolio and allocate the minimum weighting necessary to the public investment portions in order for it to generate the 2.83% total portfolio return. This is because our private investments are key to addressing the impacts of Brexit and boosting the long-term economic growth, dependence, and sustainability of the UK. Then, given a No-Deal Brexit, we would prioritize private PE fund investments and city investments over industry 4.0 long-term investments, and the reverse given a Soft Brexit.

By Asset Class	Weights (Soft Brexit)	Weights (Hard Brexit)	Weights (No-Deal Brexit)
Public Fixed Income	3.99%	3.99%	3.99%
Public Equities	14.51%	14.51%	14.51%
Alternatives	6.50%	6.50%	6.50%
Private Fixed Income	35.00% +	37.50% +	40.00% +
Private Equity	40.00%	37.50%	35.00%
Notes	<ul> <li>demonstrate appropriate usage of the f bonds.</li> <li>Private Equity includes the social imp investments.</li> <li>The weightings of the public investment</li> </ul>	ies mentioned in strategy 3. nent part of the public portfoli ment trusts and commodities bal bond investments in the 5 und, BNSF will issue more de pact investment funds investm ts stay the same regardless of SF's return of 2.83%. BNSF & economy in specific industri	o mentioned in strategy 3 in the public investment portion of the cities. If cities require more funding and ebt financing and invest into the municipal uents and private Industry 4.0 start-ups of the Brexit outcomes as they are the will prioritize investments in the cities in the

By City (Part of	Weights (Soft Brexit)	Weights (Hard Brexit)	Weights (No-Deal Brexit)
Municipal Bonds)			
Manchester	20%	20%	20%
Newcastle	20%	10%	5%
Birmingham	20%	25%	35%
Sheffield	20%	25%	35%
Plymouth	20%	20%	5%

Automo labour, Sheffie Manche prioritiz	According to KPMG and VoxEU reports (appendix 18-21), industries hit the hardest by Brexit and COVID-19 are Automotive, Manufacturing, Oil and Gas, Metals, and Pharmaceuticals. They are the most dependent on EU labour, imports, and exports. Since Birmingham is one of the UK's main Automotive Manufacturing hub, and Sheffield is the "Steel City", BNSF will invest more heavily in these two cities given a No-Deal or Hard Brexit. Manchester is a center for foreign company headquarters and is a key city for biotechnology. BNSF will also prioritize investing in Manchester to encourage foreign investments. Investments in Newcastle and Plymouth are focused more on the long-term development of the cities in driving the UK economy.						
By Strategy	Weights (Soft Brexit)	Weights (Hard Brexit)	Weights (No-Deal Brexit)				
Strategy 1 (City Development)	35%	37.5%	40%				
Strategy 2 (PE funds)	20%	25%	30%				
Strategy 3 (Asset Diversification)	25%	25%	25%				
Strategy 4 (Industry 4.0) 20% 12.5% 5%							
Notes	We placed less emphasis on the industry 4.0 developments in the case of a no-deal Brexit as it is a more long-term goal. Strategy 3 summarizes all of the fixed income, equity, and alternative asset classes.						

### **RISK AND PERFORMANCE**

The performance of BNSF's strategies can be evaluated based on its quantitative indicators regarding its triple mandates. 5 year targets/expected fund performance:

UK's long-term economic inde	pendence, growth	, and sustainability:
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	Current (2019)	(Soft Brexit)	(Hard Brexit)	(No-Deal Brexit)		
M2M cards per 100 inhabitants UK	<ul> <li>World Ranking: 23</li> <li>9.46 Million connections</li> <li>14.2% inhabitants</li> </ul> Note: GSMA intelligence fore	<ul> <li>World Ranking: top 15</li> <li>(or) 20 Million connections</li> <li>(or) 25%+ inhabitants</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>World Ranking: top 17</li> <li>(or) 14 Million connections</li> <li>or) 20%+ inhabitants</li> <li>would rank 3<sup>rd</sup> in cellula</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>World Ranking: top 20</li> <li>(or) 12 Million connections</li> <li>(or) 12%+ inhabitants</li> </ul>		
Industry 4.0 development index	million connections by 2020 ( World Ranking: 23			World Ranking: top 20		
	Note: Currently, UK has a poor performance in the 4.0 development index's categories regarding ERP systems used in enterprises. Appendix 26 shows that approximately 24% of UK enterprises have enterprise resource planning software in 2019 compared to 53% of Belgium enterprises.					
imports of goods and services as % of GDP	32.71%	Range: between 28% - 32%	Range: between 28% - 32%	Range: between 28% - 32%		
	Note: The past 5 years saw a steady increase in UK's imports as % of GDP (appendix 27). In order to achieve economic independence without limiting UK's growth and benefits of trade, BNSF has set a target range of 28%-32% imports as % of GDP.					
Annual GDP growth	1.41%	1.7%+ 1.6%+ 1.5%+				
-	Note: The last 10-year average annual GDP growth is 1.85%, with the past 5 years seeing a continuous decline (appendix 27). Under a soft Brexit, BMSF expects to see a maintained 1.7% growth rate. BNSF aims to maintair a 1.5% growth rate in the case of a no-deal Brexit.					

### Long-term well-being of the British population:

	Current	(Soft Brexit)	(Hard Brexit)	(No-Deal Brexit)			
Distribution variance	Mean: 0.66	Var: 5.58	Var: 5.77	Var: 5.89			
of GDP per capita	Var: 6.21	(10% decrease in	(7% decrease in	(5% decrease in Var)			
among cities	(avg 2016-2018)	Var)	Var)				
5	(appendix 12)						
	Note: BNSF will prioritize bo	Note: BNSF will prioritize boosting economic development in the slow-growth regions given a soft Brexit. In the					
	case of a no-deal Brexit, BN	SF will prioritize more of	on meeting domestic eco	onomic demands instead.			
Distribution variance	Mean: 613	Var: 5067	Var: 5236	Var: 5349			
of average weekly	Var: 5630	(10% decrease in	(7% decrease in	(5% decrease in Var)			
full-time employee	(avg 2018-2020)	Var)	Var)				
earnings by regions							
(£ per week)	Note: BNSF will prioritize boosting economic development in the low-income regions given a soft Brexit. See						
	appendix 9 for current earning	appendix 9 for current earnings by regions.					

Gini Coefficient of	29.9	26	27	28	
final income of all	(2019)				
individuals	According to World Bank's la	ast estimate in 2016, Uł	K had a Gini coefficient	of 34.8. Looking at the final income of	
				improvement over the years, BNSF	
	should continue promoting in	ncome equality and rea	ch the level of Finland's	in 2015 (around 27)	
Distribution variance	Mean: 3.81%	Var: 1.10%	Var: 1.13%	Var: 1.16%	
of unemployment rate	Var:1.22%	(10% decrease in	(7% decrease in	(5% decrease in Var)	
in all UK cities	(2017-2020)	Var)	Var)		
	Note: BNSF will prioritize boosting economic development in the high unemployment cities given a soft Brexit.				
	See appendix 14, 15 for current unemployment levels by cities.				

### **Portfolio Annual Return:**

	(Soft E	Brexit)	(Harc	d Brexit)		(No-Deal Brexit)	
	return	Weighted	Return	Weighted	Return	Weighted return	
		return		return			
Strategy 1 (City	2.40%*	0.84%	2.40%	0.90%	2.40%	0.96%	
Development)							
Strategy 2 (PE funds)	8%	1.60%	8%	2.00%	8%	2.40%	
Strategy 3 (Asset	13.26%***	3.31%	13.26%	3.31%	13.26%	3.31%	
Diversification)							
Strategy 4 (Industry 4.0)	20%****	4%	20%	2.5%	20%	1%	
Total fund return		9.75%		8.71%		7.67%	
Notes:						Bonds Agency Finance	
						ed by the UK Municipal Bonds	
	Agency was rated Aa3 by Moody's. Similarly, Lancashire County Council has an Aa3 rating from Moody's.						
	** Financial Times, Investing for Global Impact, 2017						
	*** By portfolio o	*** By portfolio optimization (appendix 28, 29)					
	**** Callan Institu	ute, 2019 bench	mark				

BNSF's expected return is illustrated above. We can be 79% confident that the weighted return of the public investments from strategy 3 to be at least 2.83%, the minimum required by mandate 3 (appendix 32). However, as the total portfolio return is made up of also public investments, the portfolio should have no trouble generating over 2.83% annual return and meeting mandate 3. Expected performance regarding mandate 1 and 2 can also be seen in the two tables above. Finally, we have identified the main risks associated with the fund's strategy and have summarized ways they can be mitigated.

Risk factors	Likelihood	Severity	Mitigation
Failing to actively monitor the portfolio	Low	High	Having an arms-length compliance team in place to ensure that investment team and portfolio managers are consistently monitoring and updating their portfolio to match BNSF's triple mandate. Having portfolios managers to present their ideas to the board will also help alleviate this risk factor.
Unable to implement Municipal city investment due to political pressures	High	High	BNSF does everything in its power to please all parties involved, especially board members that have large influences in their area of expertise. If political pressures arise, it is in BNSF's best interest to stick to its investment philosophies and if municipalities are not willing to comply to withdraw from future investments. The use of annual budget constraints will also help alleviate any future conflict.
Prolonged COVID-19 lockdowns	High	Medium	Mitigations are currently in place to mitigate risks to the portfolio based on its construction. Having a well-balanced and diversified portfolio will help reach investment outcomes with minimal downside risk to the portfolio.
Depreciation of the Pound	Medium	Medium	Although, a weaker pound in a post-BREXIT world might be beneficial in terms of foreign investment, a strong GBP is needed for financial stability and soundness. BNSF can mitigate this by either purchasing USD currently and hold multiple currencies or hedge their foreign exchange risk with forward contracts.
Venture risk of investing in Start- ups	Medium	Medium	Investing in late-stage start-ups helps mitigate the majority of risks that would be incurred if investing in early-stage start-ups, i.e. revenue risk and liquidity risk.
High inflation	Low	Low	With currency markets being leading indicators and future looking, the centre research shows that inflation has already increased 1.7% in 2017 and has already priced in worst case Brexit scenarios, so further deuteriation is unlikely.

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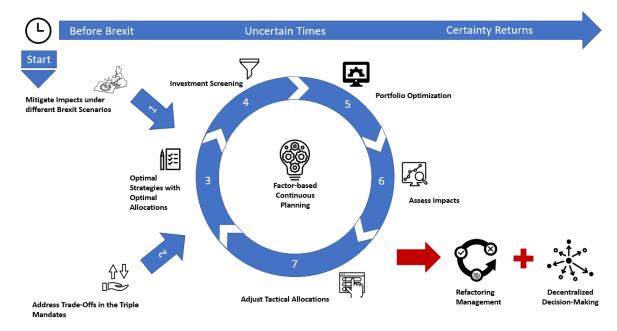
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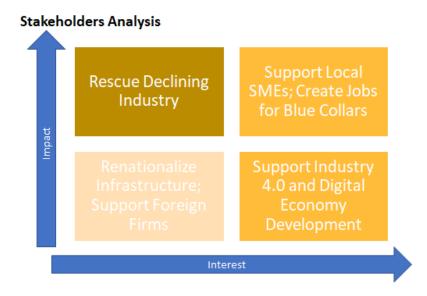
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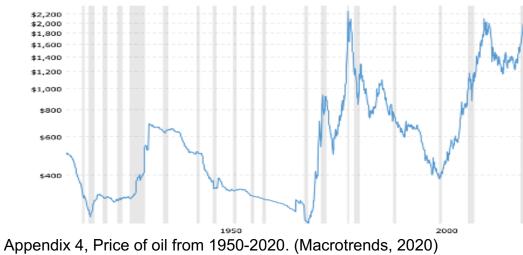
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Appendix 2



Appendix 3, Price of gold from 1920-2020. (Macrotrends, 2020)

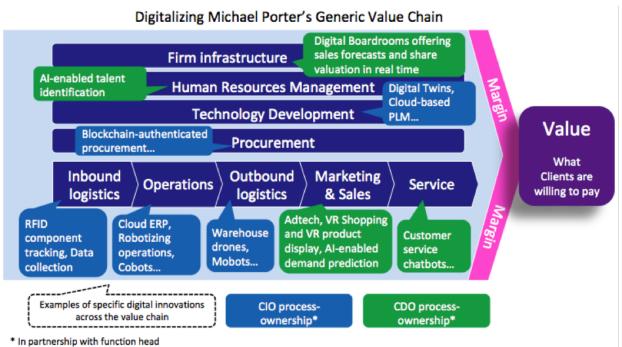




Appendix 5, Table of diversified investment companies

Investment	ESG Rating (IBD,	Number of British	Nationality
	2019)	Employees	
Microsoft (MSFT)	AAA	3,000	US
PepsiCo (PEP)	AA	4,500	US
Proctor & Gamble	AA	6,000	US
(PG)			
AECOM (ACM)	AA	11,000	US
Alphabet	AA	4,439	US
(GOOGL)			
Tesco (TSCO)	AA	423,092	UK
BP (BP)	A-	90,100	UK
20+ year US	-	-	-
Treasury (TLT)			
Gold (GLD)	-	-	-
Siemens (SIE)	А	16,500	German
Sanofi (SNY)	А	1,200	France
Japan ETF	А	-	Japan
(EEJD)			

Vanguard REIT ETF (VNQ)	-	-	US
Blackrock REIT ETF (XRE)	-	-	Canada



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Invest	£	9,000,000,000		22,500		20,000		18,000		16,364		15,000		13,846		12,857		12,000
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### Sensitivity Analysis of the Number of Jobs that could be Created with BNSF's Impact Investment

NUTCA De signa	Downlation 3	Total GDP	GDP per	Annual growth	Annual growth in 'real' GDF
NUTS1 Regions	Population <sup>3</sup>	(£ million) <sup>4</sup>	head (£) <sup>146</sup>	in 'real' GDP (%)⁵	per head (%) <sup>5</sup> 0.8
	66,435,550	2,140,278	31,976	1.4	0.2
England	55,977,178	1,839,264	32,857	1.4	8.0
North East	2,657,909	62,644	23,569	0.9	0.4
North West	7,292,093	207,452	28,449	1.4	0.9
Yorkshire and					
The Humber	5,479,615	141,698	25,859	1.2	0.6
East Midlands	4,804,149	124,647	25,946	1.1	0.4
West Midlands	5,900,757	159,832	27,087	2.0	1.3
East of England	6,201,214	186,462	30,069	1.7	1.2
London	8,908,081	487,145	54,686	2.0	1.1
South East	9,133,625	311,300	34,083	0.6	0.0
South West	5,599,735	158,084	28,231	0.9	0.1
Wales	3,138,631	74,906	23,866	1.3	0.9
Scotland	5,438,100	161,295	29,660	0.9	0.7
Northern Ireland	1,881,641	48,887	25,981	-0.5	-1.1
Extra-Regio <sup>7</sup>	n/a	15,927	n/a	7.1	n/a
-	res may not sum due to r 8 estimates are provision	•	ead (£) figures are rou	nded to the nearest pour	nd sterling.

2 2018 estimates are provisional.
 3 Population estimates are sourced from the Population estimates for the UK release.
 4 GDP in current prices.

5 GDP in chained volume measures.

6 Per head figures exclude Extra-Regio: the off-shore contribution to GDP that cannot be assigned to any region.

7 n/a equals not applicable.

Office for National Statistics - Regional economic activity by gross domestic product, UK: 1998 to 2018

# Appendix 9

Source:

### EARN05: Average gross weekly earnings of full-time<sup>1</sup> employees, by region: People (not seasonally adjusted)

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	*		•						•								
Jan-Mar 2018	609	612	620	526	561	534	515	562	654	780		562	542	567	512	5245.45	
Apr-Jun 2018	619	621	631	550	537	533	552	568	652	797		575	528	578	532	5771.67	
Jul-Sep 2018	617	619	629	494	559	569	554	554	655	780	690	576	527	570	539	5252.96	
Oct-Dec 2018	637	639	645	523	564	561	564	579	656	846	685	585	564	628	545	6301.92	
Jan-Mar 2019	623	626	634	560	575	564	574	565	674	762	691	571	553	586	513	4157.26	
Apr-Jun 2019	640	642	650	537	575	574	554	577	653	831	718	603	576	601	545	5913.81	
Jul-Sep 2019	646	648	658	551	595	550	584	591	685	830	710	595	527	622	542	6222.12	
Oct-Dec 2019	647	650	655	530	595	577	580	595	668	805	728	582	566	648	537	5418.16	
Jan-Mar 2020	650	653	663	590	583	606	591	586	653	847	702	608	548	611	537	5611.61	
Apr-Jun 2020	659	662	674	562	616	582	564	612	693	843	730	613	535	618	555	6405.91	
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IMPORTANT NOTE REGARDING LFS EARNINGS ESTIMATES

Source: Labour Force Survey

The data on individual's earnings captured by the LFS is thought to be of a lower quality than ASHE or AWE as LFS information is self-reported by employees. ASHE and AWE however, gather information from the employer which is thought to be more accurate as employers can consult payroll records. Individuals may not have such records to hand and their responses may therefore be subject to higher levels of recail error. Furthermore LFS regioness can be given by proxy, by other individuals in the same household whan an individual is unavailable for interview. This gives further scope for recail error from respondents. Due to this recail error, estimates of earnings based on the LFS that are published by the ONS typically exclude those who earn more than £100 per hour as a quality assurance measure. These factors combined mean that gross weekly and hourly pay are known to be underestimated on the LFS.

Estimates of gross weekly and hourly earnings from the LFS are based upon 2/5 of the quarterly sample and are therefore subject to high sampling variability. For this reason, ONS recommends that any short term

<sup>1</sup> Full-time is based on respondents' self assessment. The estimates relate to an individual's main job only.

Note: As the estimates are not seasonally adjusted, it is best practice to only compare the same quarter for different years (e.g., compare January-March 2018 with January-March 2019 but do not compare July-September 2018 with January-March 2019).

### Appendix 10

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#### Healthy life expectancy (HLE) and life expectancy (LE) for males and females at birth by English regions, 2009 to 2011

					Proportion of		
			Lower 95% confidence	Upper 95% confidence	life spent in "Good" health		
English region	LE (years)	HLE (years)	interval	interval	(%)	LE rank	HLE rank
Males							
South East	80.0	65.7 *	65.3	66.1	82.1	1	1
South West	79.8	65.1 *	64.6	65.6	81.6	3	2
East of England	79.9	64.8 *	64.3	65.3	81.1	2	3
East Midlands	78.7	63.0	62.4	63.6	80.0	5	4
London	79.3	63.0	62.5	63.4	79.4	4	E
West Midlands	78.4	62.5 **	62.0	62.9	79.7	6	e
North West	77.4	61.0 **	60.7	61.4	78.9	9	7
Yorkshire and The Humber	78.1	61.0 **	60.5	61.5	78.1	7	8
North East	77.5	59.7 **	59.2	60.3	77.1	8	ę
England	78.9	63.2	63.1	63.4	80.1		
Females							
South East	83.8	67.0 *	66.6	67.5	80.0	1	1
South West	83.7	66.3 *	65.8	66.9	79.2	2	2
East of England	83.6	66.2 *	65.6	66.7	79.2	4	3
London	83.6	63.8	63.3	64.3	76.3	3	4
East Midlands	82.8	63.3 **	62.7	64.0	76.5	5	5
West Midlands	82.6	62.8 **	62.3	63.3	76.1	6	6
Yorkshire and The Humber	82.0	62.1 **	61.6	62.6	75.7	7	7
North West	81.5	61.7 **	61.3	62.1	75.7	8	8
North East	81.5	60.2 **	59.7	60.8	73.9	9	ę
England	82.9	64.2	64.0	64.3	77.4		

Notes

Excludes residents of communal establishments except NHS housing and students in halls of residence where inclusion takes place at their parents'
 Regions are presented by gender and have been ranked at the England level, based on HLE to more than one decimal place. Their respective rankings

within England are also shown.

3. Figures may not sum due to rounding.

4. \* denotes that the region HLE estimate is significantly higher than the England HLE estimate at the 95% confidence level.

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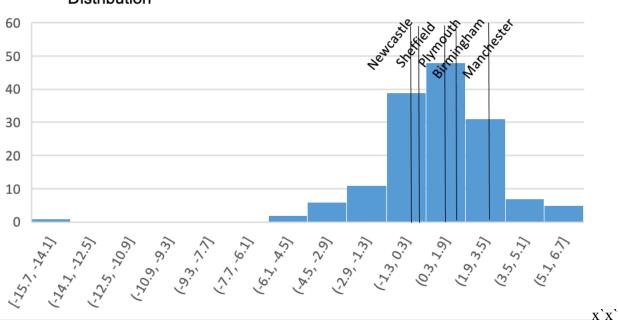
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Jagger et al., (2007)

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		Patents strength	Trademarks strength	University innovation strength	Business innovation strength	Skills and spillover strength	Infrastructure strength	City size (PUA)	Region
	London	Strong	Very strong	Strong	Very strong	Very strong	Very strong	10,151,260	South East
	Slough	Strong	Very strong		Strong	Very strong	Strong	149,112	South East
	Aldershot	Strong	Weak	Very weak	Strong	Strong	Very strong	184,016	South East
	Reading	Strong	Weak	Weak	Very strong	Very strong	Very strong	331,182	South East
	Derby	Very strong		Strong	Strong	Strong	Very strong	257,174	East Midlands
Top 10%	Cambridge	Very strong	Very weak	Very strong	Very strong	Very strong	Very strong	125,758	East
	Milton Keynes	Weak	Very strong	Very weak	Strong	Strong	Very strong	268,607	South East
	Aberdeen	Very Weak	Weak	Weak	Strong	Weak	Weak	227,560	Scotland
	Crawley	Strong			Strong	Very strong	Very strong	112,448	South East
	Oxford	Very strong	Very strong	Very strong	Strong	Vey strong	Very strong	154,327	South East
	Edinburgh		Very strong	Very strong	Strong	Strong	Weak	518,500	Scotland
Top 20%	Luton	Very weak	Very weak	Very strong	Strong	Very Strong	Very strong	214,109	East
	Southampton	Very weak	Weak	Very strong	Very strong	Strong	Strong	384,615	South East
	Swindon		Very weak		Weak	Strong	Strong	221,996	South West
	Bristol	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	Strong	746,049	South West
	Glasgow		Strong	Strong	Weak	Strong	Strong	1,007,700	Scotland
	Birmingham		Weak	Weak	Weak	Very strong	Strong	2,549,673	West Midlands
	Leeds		Strong	Strong	Weak	Strong	Very strong	789,194	Yorkshire
Top 30%	Manchester	Very weak	Strong	Strong	Strong	Very strong	Weak	2,486,481	North West
	Blackpool	Very weak	Weak	Very weak	Weak	Very weak	Very weak	219,075	North West
	Portsmouth	Weak	Very weak	Weak	Strong	Strong	Strong	542,568	South East
	Coventry	Very strong	Strong	Strong	Weak	Strong	Weak	366,785	West Midlands
	Hull		Weak	Weak	Verv weak		Verv weak	260,645	Yorkshire
						Strong			
	Northampton	Very weak	Weak	Weak	Strong	Strong	Strong	225,146	East Midlands
	York	Strong	Weak	Strong	Weak	Weak	Weak	209,893	Yorkshire
	Cardiff	Strong	Strong	Very strong	Weak	Strong	Strong	364,248	Wales
	Bournemouth		Strong	Weak	Weak	Weak	Weak	395,800	South West
	Liverpool		Weak	Strong	Very strong	Strong	Weak	644,385	North West
	Warrington	Very weak	Strong	Very weak	Weak	Strong	Weak	209,547	North West
	Exeter	Weak	Weak	Strong	Weak	Strong	Strong	130,428	South West
50%	Basildon	Weak	Weak	Very weak	Strong	Weak	Weak	185,862	East
	Brighton	Weak	Strong	Weak	Very strong	Strong	Very strong	354,264	South East
	Blackburn		Very strong	Very weak	Weak	Very weak	Weak	148,942	North West
	Newcastle			Strong	Weak	Strong	Weak	858,954	North East
	Newport				Strong		Strong	246,351	Wales
	Wakefield	Very weak	Very weak		Very weak	Very weak	Very weak	345,038	Yorkshire
	Gloucester	Strong	Strong	Very weak	Weak	Strong	Weak	129,285	South West
	Dundee			Strong	Weak	Weak	Very strong	148,750	Scotland
	Sunderland	Very weak	Very weak	Weak	Weak	Weak	Very weak	277,417	North East
	Peterborough	Strong	Strong		Strong	Very weak	Very strong	201,041	East
	Chatham			Very weak	Weak	Weak	Weak	277,855	South East
	Ipswich	Very weak		Weak	Weak	Strong	Very strong	137,532	East
	Sheffield	Weak		Strong	Weak	Weak	Weak	847,177	Yorkshire
	Telford		Very weak	Weak	Weak	Very weak	Very strong	177,799	West Midlands
	Worthing	Very weak	Weak	Very weak	Weak	Strong	Strong	110,025	South East
	Middlesbrough	Weak	Very weak	Weak	Weak	Weak	Very weak	474,476	North East
	Nottingham	Weak	Weak	Strong	Very weak	Strong	Weak	667,617	East Midlands
	Bradford		Weak	Weak	Weak	Weak	Weak	537,173	Yorkshire
	Plymouth	Very weak		Strong	Weak	Strong	Very weak	263,100	South West
	Doncaster	Weak	Very weak		Weak	Very weak	Weak	310,542	Yorkshire
	Birkenhead		Weak		Very weak	Weak	Very weak	323,235	North West
	Barnsley	Very weak	Very weak		Weak	Very weak		245,199	Yorkshire
	Preston	Weak	Weak	Very Strong	Very weak	Weak	Very weak	369,166	North West
	Leicester	Weak	Strong	Weak	Weak	Strong	Weak	512,695	East Midlands
	Mansfield	Very weak	Very weak	Very weak	Weak	Very weak	Very weak	235,992	East Midlands
	Norwich	Weak		Strong	Very weak			270,601	East
	Stoke	Weak		Strong		Weak	Strong	385,323	West Midlands
	Swansea	Weak		Strong	Strong	Very weak	Very weak	389,372	Wales
	Wigan	Very weak		Very weak	Very weak	Weak		326,088	North West
	Burnley	Very weak			Strong	Very weak		179,932	North West
	Huddersfield	Very weak	Strong	Weak	Weak			438,727	Yorkshire
	Southend				Weak	Weak		359,514	East
	Southend	Very weak	Very weak	Very weak	Weak	Weak	Weak	359,514	East

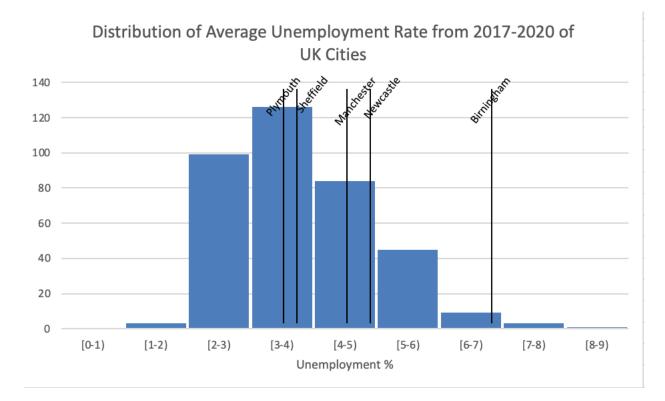


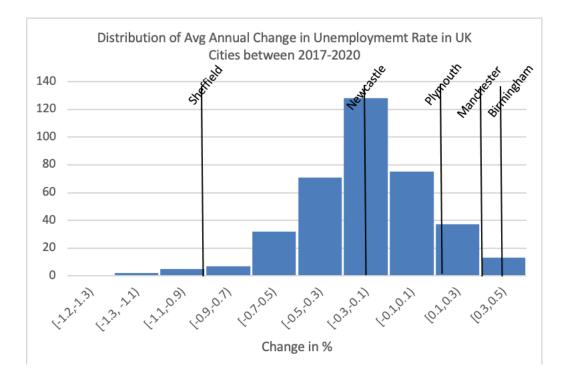


Avg 2016-2018 UK Cities' Annual GDP Per Capita Growth % Distribution

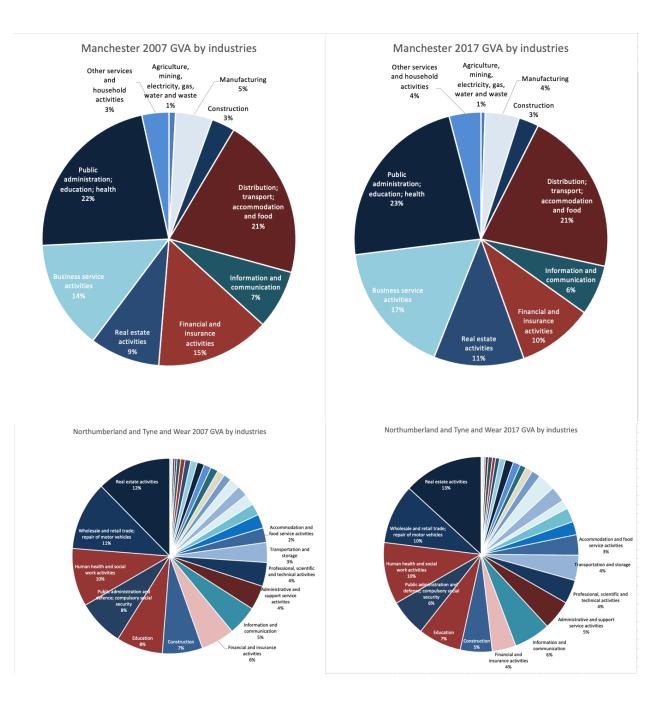
Appendix 13				
Gross Domestic Product (GDP) <sup>1</sup> chained volume measures (CVM) per	%			
Area name	<b>v</b> 201	5 2017	2018	avg. 2016-2018
Manchester	3.	9 4.7	1.1	2.9
Newcastle upon Tyne	0.	5 0.3	-1.5	-0.2
Birmingham	1.	8 -0.2	3.6	1.7
Sheffield	0.	2 0.7	-0.8	0.0
Plymouth	4.	3 -2.0	1.3	1.2

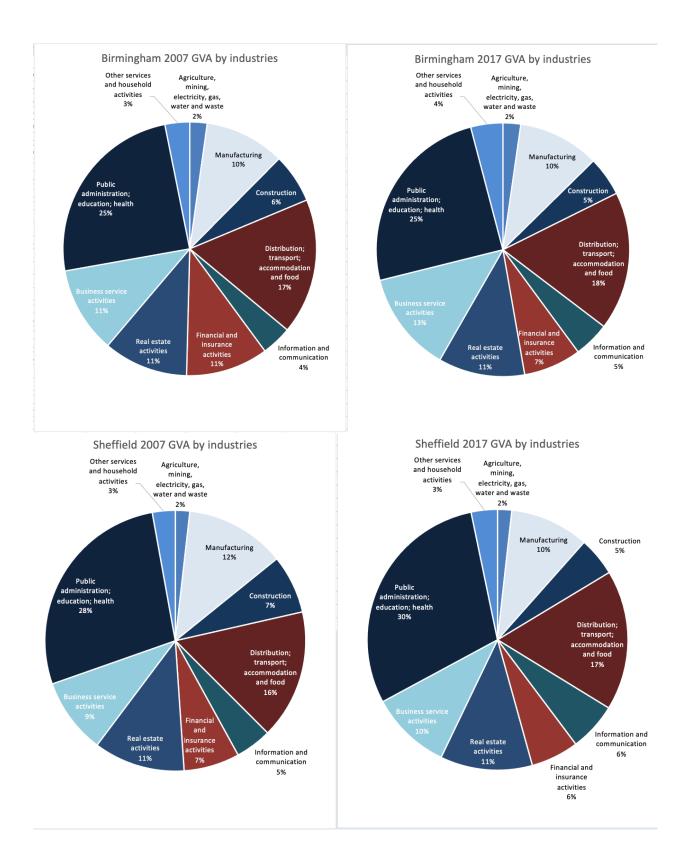


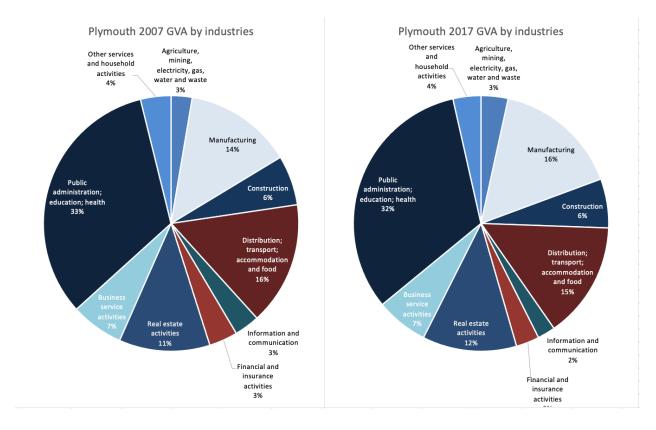




Unemployment	Jan 2017 to Dec 2017 <b>Rate (%)</b>	Apr 2017 to Mar 2018 Rate (%)	Jul 2017 to Jun 2018 Rate (%)	Oct 2017 to Sep 2018 Rate (%)	Jan 2018 to Dec 2018 <b>Rate (%)</b>	Apr 2018 to Mar 2019 Rate (%)	Jul 2018 to Jun 2019 Rate (%)	Oct 2018 to Sep 2019 Rate (%)	Jan 2019 to Dec 2019 <b>Rate (%)</b>	Apr 2019 to Mar 2020 Rate (%)	Jul 2019 to Jun 2020 Rate (%)	2017-2020 AVG Rate (%)	Avg annual %change 2017-2020
Manchester	5.6	5.6	5.2	4.9	5.2	4.7	5.4	5.5	5.8	6.1	6.1	5.5	0.307
Newcastle upon Tyne	6.8	6.3	5.8	6.2	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.4	6.1	6.2	6.0	5.9	-0.203
Birmingham	8.3	7.8	7.3	6.8	7.3	7.2	8.1	7.8	8.2	9.0	8.0	7.8	0.414
Sheffield	6.0	5.7	5.4	5.1	4.8	4.5	4.4	4.2	4.2	4.0	3.6	4.7	-0.915
Plymouth	4.7	4.4	4.4	3.9	4.5	4.5	4.3	4.6	4.3	4.8	4.7	4.5	0.126





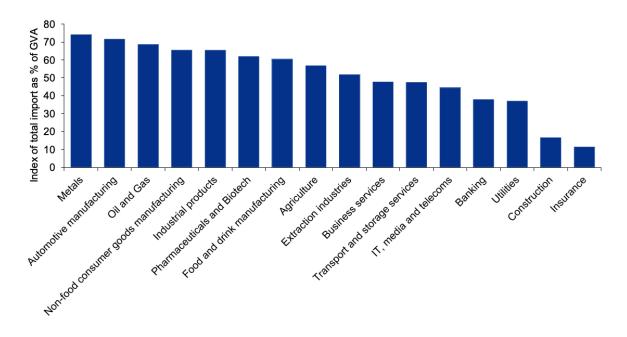


Change in business volume in April and predicted effect of Brexit by industry (VOXEU.org				• • • • • • • • • • • •
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Industry Name	Rank of Net Increase in Business Volume, April 2020	Rank of Brexit Predicted Effect (CEP Trade Model)
Other Manufacturing	1	5
Other Supporting and Auxiliary Transport Activities	2	14
Electrical and Optical Equipment	3	19
Textiles and Leather	4	18
Other Business Activities, and Renting of Machinery and Equipment	5	17
Agriculture, Forestry and Fishing	6	3
Retail Trade, Excluding Motor Vehicles	7	12
Chemicals and Chemical Products	8	20
Other Non-Metallic Minerals	9	6
Transport Equipment	10	10
Real Estate Activities	11	15
Other Machinery	12	7
Rubber and Plastics	13	9
Basic Metals and Fabricated Metal	14	2
Hotels and Restaurants	15	7
Wholesale and Commission Trade, Including Motor Vehicles	16	11
Food, Beverages and Tobacco	17	4
Post and Telecommunications	18	16
Recreation, Community, Social and Personal Services	19	12
Pulp, Paper, Printing and Publishing	20	1

*Notes*: Industries are ranked in terms of net increase in business volume in April 2020 (see notes of Figure 1 for details on this variable). The rows are shaded according to the predicted long-term effect of Brexit (Dhingra et al, 2017): green for top, blue for middle, and red for most negatively affected. Sectors with fewer than 5 businesses in the data in April 2020 are omitted. Industries are ranked from least negatively affected (1) to most negatively affected (20).

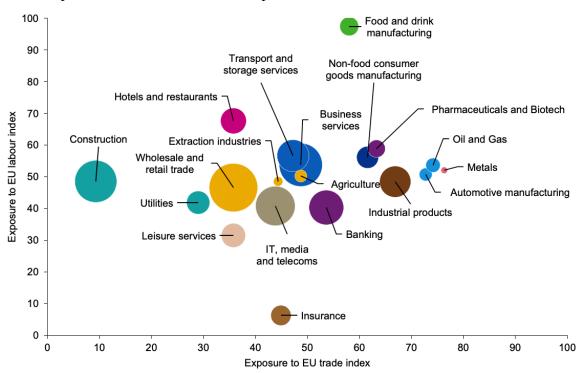
# Sector imports dependence



Source: ONS data, KPMG calculations.

Hard Brexit		Free trade		Free labour	
Food and drink manufacturing	78	Food and drink manufacturing	94	Metals	74
Metals	64	Hotels and restaurants	64	Oil and Gas	72
Oil and Gas	64	Pharmaceuticals and Biotech	59	Automotive manufacturing	71
Automotive manufacturing	62	Non-food consumer goods manufacturing	57	Industrial products	65
Pharmaceuticals and Biotech	61	Transport and storage services	56	Pharmaceuticals and Biotech	63
Non-food consumer goods manufacturing	59	Oil and Gas	56	Food and drink manufacturing	62
Industrial products	58	Metals	54	Non-food consumer goods manufacturing	61
Transport and storage services	52	Business services	53	Banking	52
Hotels and restaurants	52	Automotive manufacturing	53	Business services	49
Business services	51	Industrial products	50	Agriculture	49
Agriculture	49	Agriculture	50	Transport and storage services	48
Banking	47	Extraction industries	48	Extraction industries	45
Extraction industries	46	Wholesale and retail trade	46	IT, media and telecoms	44
IT, media and telecoms	42	Construction	45	Insurance	41
Wholesale and retail trade	41	Banking	42	Hotels and restaurants	39
Utilities	35	IT, media and telecoms	41	Wholesale and retail trade	37
Leisure services	34	Utilities	41	Leisure services	35
Construction	29	Leisure services	32	Utilities	30
Insurance	26	Insurance	10	Construction	13

Source: ONS data, KPMG calculations.



# Sector exposure to EU labour and EU exports

Source: ONS data, KPMG calculations. The size of the bubble represents the size of the sector as measured by GVA compared to UK total.

Codes	Name of the Indicators
(a)	Enterprises who have ERP software package
(b)	Enterprises using Customer Relationship Management (CRM)
(c)	Sharing supply chain management information
(d)	Enterprises giving portable devices for a mobile connection to the internet
(e)	Enterprises having received orders online
(f)	Enterprises using software solutions like Customer Relationship Management (CRM)
(g)	Enterprises who have ERP software package to share information between different functional areas
(h)	Enterprises with broadband access
(j)	Enterprises using internet in communication with public institutions
(1)	

(k) Enterprises using the Cloud Computing applications

Country			Secondar	y Indicator	s				Industry	4.0 Index		
	(a)	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(j)	(k)	Score	Rank
Denmark	0.8043	0.5924	1.0000	0.9623	0.9259	0.6561	0.8043	0.9545	0.8824	0.7576	0.8340	1
Finland	0.5870	0.7554	0.6364	1.0000	0.5556	0.7884	0.5870	1.0000	0.9412	1.0000	0.7851	2
Belgium	0.8696	0.8098	0.7273	0.7358	0.7778	0.8148	0.8696	0.8636	0.7059	0.4545	0.7629	3
Netherlands	0.7609	1.0000	0.5909	0.5283	0.4815	1.0000	0.7609	1.0000	0.7353	0.6667	0.7524	4
Germany	1.0000	0.9457	0.7727	0.4906	0.8519	0.9471	1.0000	0.7727	0.5294	0.1818	0.7492	5
Sweden	0.5000	0.7011	0.2273	0.8302	0.8889	0.6825	0.7174	0.8636	0.8824	0.8182	0.7112	6
Lithuania	0.6522	0.6739	0.7273	0.7547	0.5926	0.6561	0.6522	1.0000	1.0000	0.2727	0.6982	7
Norway	0.2174	0.7283	0.5455	0.8302	0.8889	0.7354	0.4783	0.6818	0.7059	0.8182	0.6630	8
Austria	0.6739	0.9457	0.3182	0.6604	0.4444	0.9206	0.6739	0.9091	0.7941	0.2121	0.6552	9
Ireland	0.3261	0.5380	0.2727	0.5660	1.0000	0.6296	0.3261	0.9091	0.8824	0.5758	0.6026	10
Portugal	0.7391	0.5380	0.4091	0.5660	0.5926	0.5238	0.7391	0.8182	0.7941	0.2727	0.5993	11
Luxembourg	0.6304	0.7011	0.4545	0.7170	0.2222	0.7090	0.6304	0.8636	0.7353	0.2424	0.5906	12
Cyprus	0.7174	0.8098	0.4091	0.3585	0.3704	0.7884	0.7174	0.8182	0.5882	0.1818	0.5759	13
France	0.6304	0.5652	0.2273	0.5849	0.5185	0.6032	0.6304	0.8182	0.9118	0.2121	0.5702	14
Spain	0.5435	0.6467	0.4091	0.6604	0.5926	0.6825	0.5435	0.8636	0.5000	0.2424	0.5684	15
Czech Republic	0.4348	0.2663	0.5909	0.6792	0.8889	0.2857	0.4348	0.9091	0.8529	0.2424	0.5585	16
Slovenia	0.4348	0.5380	0.2727	0.6981	0.4074	0.5238	0.5000	0.9545	0.8235	0.3333	0.5486	17
Croatia	0.4130	0.3207	0.7273	0.7925	0.5926	0.3386	0.4130	0.5455	0.8235	0.3636	0.5330	18
Iceland	0.0217	0.5109	0.3636	0.8679	0.7407	0.2593	0.0217	0.7273	0.7059	0.9091	0.5128	19
Malta	0.4348	0.4565	0.2273	0.6038	0.6296	0.4974	0.4348	0.7727	0.6765	0.3030	0.5036	20
Estonia	0.2609	0.4293	0.3182	0.6415	0.4815	0.4709	0.2609	0.7727	0.8824	0.4242	0.4942	21
Slovakia	0.4348	0.2935	0.5909	0.6226	0.3333	0.3386	0.4348	0.6364	0.7941	0.2727	0.4752	22
UK	0.1522	0.4837	0.1818	0.5094	0.5926	0.5503	0.1522	0.7273	0.7647	0.5455	0.4660	23
Italy	0.5652	0.5109	0.2273	0.4528	0.1852	0.5503	0.5652	0.7273	0.5882	0.1818	0.4554	24
Poland	0.2391	0.4022	0.4091	0.4528	0.2963	0.3915	0.2391	0.6818	0.7353	0.0909	0.3938	25
Macedonia	0.4565	0.5109	0.3636	0.5283	0.0000	0.3386	0.1739	0.7273	0.7059	0.0909	0.3896	26
Serbia	0.0000	0.5109	0.3636	0.5283	0.6667	0.1534	0.0000	0.9545	0.7059	0.0000	0.3883	27
Greece	0.5870	0.2935	0.3182	0.1321	0.2593	0.3386	0.5870	0.3182	0.5588	0.0909	0.3483	28
Latvia	0.1304	0.2391	0.0000	0.4717	0.1852	0.2328	0.1304	0.8636	0.8235	0.0909	0.3168	29
Hungary	0.1304	0.1304	0.0455	0.4717	0.3333	0.1534	0.1304	0.6364	0.5588	0.1515	0.2742	30
Turkey	0.2196	0.0000	0.0455	0.4245	0.2926	0.0000	0.2196	0.6545	0.4206	0.2818	0.2559	31
Bulgaria	0.3261	0.1848	0.4545	0.0000	0.0741	0.2063	0.3261	0.0000	0.5294	0.0606	0.2162	32
Romania	0.2609	0.2663	0.0909	0.0377	0.1481	0.2857	0.2609	0.0909	0.0000	0.0909	0.1532	33

	CAGR 2010-13	Rank	CAGR 2014-20	Rank
MENA	57%	1	24%	4
Asia Pacific	54%	2	29%	2
CIS	52%	3	29%	1
Latin America	41%	4	25%	3
Sub-Saharan Africa	38%	5	23%	5
Europe	27%	6	23%	5
Northern America	24%	7	22%	6
World	37%	-	26%	-

### Table 1: Cellular M2M connections, compound annual growth rate by region

Source: GSMA Intelligence

	Q2 2014	Rank		Q4 2020	Rank
China	61.5	1	China	355.0	1
United States of America	37.5	2	United States of America	135.8	2
Japan	9.9	3	United Kingdom	43.0	3
Brazil	9.1	4	Brazil	41.9	4
France	7.8	5	Russian Federation	35.1	5
Italy	6.4	6	Germany	31.2	6
United Kingdom	6.2	7	France	31.1	7
Sweden	5.9	8	Japan	28.1	8
Germany	5.8	9	India	24.6	9
Russian Federation	5.5	10	Sweden	19.4	10

### Table 2: Cellular M2M connections (in millions)

Source: GSMA Intelligence

	M2M cards, millions (right axis)	M2M cards, per 100 inhabitants (left axis)
Sweden	15.01	146.0
Austria	4.99	56.3
United States	137.00	41.6
Netherlands	7.07	40.7
Italy	24.25	40.2
New Zealand	1.82	36.8
Norway	1.96	36.7
Germany	29.70	35.7
France	20.86	30.9
Finland	1.65	29.9
Belgium	3.10	27.0
Estonia	0.34	25.9
Denmark	1.46	25.1
Ireland	1.21	24.5
OECD	328.12	24.2
Japan	27.39	21.7
Latvia	0.37	19.3
Korea	9.64	18.6
Slovak Republic	0.98	18.1
Iceland	0.05	15.1
Switzerland	1.25	14.6
Spain	6.75	14.3
United Kingdom	9.46	14.2
Luxembourg	0.08	13.7
Hungary	1.20	12.3
Canada	4.63	12.3
Portugal	1.19	11.6
Lithuania	0.32	11.6
Czech Republic	1.09	10.3
Poland	3.82	10.0
Turkey	5.86	7.1
Greece	0.43	4.0
Slovenia	0.43	3.8
Chile	0.51	2.7
Mexico	2.57	2.0

							%
			Employn	nent size			
					1000 or		
	0 to 9	10 to 49	50 to 249	250 to 999	more	10 or more	Inc micro
	employees	employees	employees	employees	employees	employees	enterprises
2011		5.6	22.9	43.4	57.5	9.4	
2012		6.9	23.4	47.7	59.4	10.6	
2013		6.7	28.5	52.4	64.4	11.2	
2014	2.7	11.9	37.1	57.8	69.1	16.7	4.3
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Source: Office for National Statistics

Estimates from 2012 onwards have been revised.

Estimates prior to 2014 are all based on businesses with 10 or more employees. To allow comparison with earlier years, estimates for 2014 are presented on the original basis of 10 or more employees and the new basis including micro

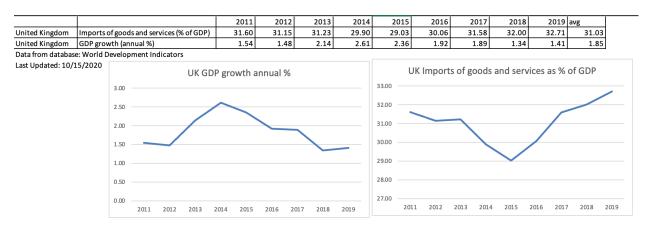
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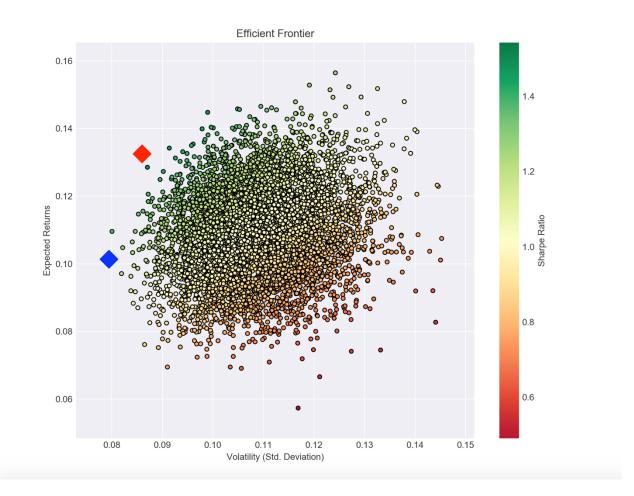


Source: Eurostat (isoc\_eb\_iip)

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Returns 0.132556 Volatility 0.085913 Sharpe Ratio 1.542911 MSFT Weight 0.148658 PEP Weight 0.061975 PG Weight 0.064992 ACM Weight 0.012713 GOOGL Weight 0.066741 TSCO Weight 0.110263 BP Weight 0.001883 TLT Weight 0.159482 GLD Weight 0.131154 SIE Weight 0.060712 SNY Weight 0.017224 EWJ Weight 0.035258 VNQ Weight 0.007327 XRE Weight 0.121617



Appendix 30

		Optimal Weight	Soft/	Hard/No-Deal	Brexit
<b>Fixed Income</b>	TLT	0.159482	0.25	0.0398705	0.0398705
Equities	MSFT	0.148658	0.25	0.0371645	0.1451048
	PEP	0.061975	0.25	0.01549375	
	PG	0.064992	0.25	0.016248	
	ACM	0.012713	0.25	0.00317825	
	GOOGL	0.066741	0.25	0.01668525	
	TSCO	0.110263	0.25	0.02756575	
	BP	0.001883	0.25	0.00047075	
	SIE	0.060712	0.25	0.015178	
	SNY	0.017224	0.25	0.004306	
	EWJ	0.035258	0.25	0.0088145	
Alternatives	GLD	0.131154	0.25	0.0327885	0.0650245
	VNQ	0.007327	0.25	0.00183175	
	XRE	0.121617	0.25	0.03040425	
Returns	0.132556				
Volatility	0.085913				
Sharpe Ratio	1.542911	`			

			ALL individua	ls		
	Original	Gross	Disposable	Post-tax	Final	
	income	income	income	income	income	
Quintile group <sup>2</sup>						
Bottom	4	6	7	6	10	
2nd	8	11	12	12	14	
3rd	15	15	17	16	17	
4th	22	21	22	22	21	
Тор	51	46	42	44	38	
Decile group <sup>2</sup>						
Bottom	1	2	3	2	4	
Тор	34	31	27	29	25	
ini coefficient	50.2	40.2	34.7	38.5	29.9	
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Probability to generate sufficient return for public investments

# Result

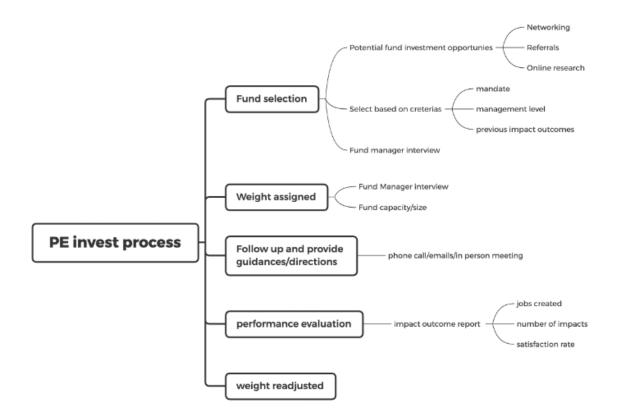
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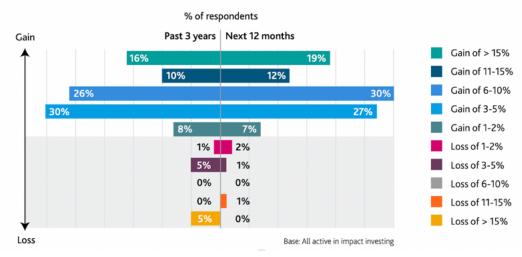
The probability outside of 0.018 and 1 is 1 - 0.78814 = 0.21186The probability of 0.018 or less ( $\leq 0.018$ ) is **0.21186** The probability of 1 or more ( $\geq 1$ ) is **0** 

### Confidence Intervals Table:

Confidence	Range	n
0.6828	0.014000-0.054000	1
0.80	0.0083690-0.059631	1.281551565545
0.90	0.0011029-0.066897	1.644853626951
0.95	-0.00520-0.073199	1.959963984540
0.98	-0.01253-0.080527	2.326347874041
0.99	-0.01752-0.085517	2.575829303549
0.995	-0.02214-0.090141	2.807033768344
0.998	-0.02780-0.095805	3.090232306168
0.999	-0.03181–0.099811	3.290526731492
0.9999	-0.04381–0.11181	3.890591886413
0.99999	-0.05434-0.12234	4.417173413469

Mean: (µ)	0.034	
Standard Deviation ( $\sigma$ ):	0.02	
Left Bound (L <sub>b</sub> ):	0.018	For negative infinite, use -inf
Right Bound (R <sub>b</sub> ):	1	For positive infinite, use inf





### Average annual financial returns from impact investment: achieved and expected

