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Tens of thousands of people demonstrated across the United Kingdom Saturday against British Prime Minister Boris Johnson's plans to cut short parliamentary debate to push through Brexit, the New York Times (<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/08/31/world/europe/boris-johnson-protest.html>) reports.

Why it matters: Per the NYT, protesters regard Johnson's plans to suspend parliament for a period just before Britain's Oct. 31. deadline for exiting the European Union as anti-democratic. Many are also angry he did not call a general election after he was elected (<https://www.axios.com/boris-johnson-prime-minister-united-kingdom-42cb693b-382f-43d1->

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utm_source=twitter&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=organic) leader of the Conservative Party on the promise that he will deliver Brexit — with or without a deal. Most members of Parliament oppose a no-deal Brexit.



Protesters in Whitehall, in the inner London borough of Westminster. Photo: Steve Taylor/SOPA Images/LightRocket via Getty Images



Crowd of protesters outside Downing Street, where the official residence of the prime minister is located. Photo: Steve Taylor/SOPA Images/LightRocket via Getty Images



Many young people are protesting. Just over 70% of 18- to 24-year-olds who voted in the 2016 referendum backed Britain to rain in the EU, per the BBC (<https://www.bbc.com/news/uk-politics-45098550>). Photo: Steve Taylor/SOPA Images/LightRocket via Getty Images



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