

INFER Issue Report

Will Iran produce a nuclear weapon?

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Iran’s Progress Towards a Nuclear Weapon

Iran has been steadily building its nuclear weapons capability since 2019, when it first began ignoring limitations set under the JCPOA. This heatmap analyzes crowd forecasts from the signals below to show whether INFER’s forecasts indicate that momentum towards Iran building a nuclear weapon is increasing, decreasing, or staying the same across various indicators.



Drivers	Signals		Oct 31	INFER Forecast <small>As of Nov 30th, 2023</small>	
Attacks on Nuclear or Military Facilities	Attack on an Iranian nuclear or missile facility in the next six months		<div></div>	<div></div>	10% chance
Coordination between Iran’s enemies and competitors	Muslim-majority country establishes or normalizes diplomatic relations with Israel by 31 Dec 2023		<div></div>	<div></div>	1%
	Middle Eastern or North African country recognizes Israel’s statehood by 31 Dec 2024	Saudi Arabia	<div></div>	<div></div>	7%
		Oman	<div></div>	<div></div>	4%
		Qatar	<div></div>	<div></div>	3%
		Kuwait	<div></div>	<div></div>	3%
		Tunisia	<div></div>	<div></div>	2%
Military support from Russia and China	Russia delivers missile systems or fighter jets to Iran before 1 Feb 2025	Su-35	<div></div>	<div></div>	18%
		S-400 or S-500	<div></div>	<div></div>	9%
Leadership changes	Ali Khamenei flees Iran or ceases to be Supreme Leader before 1 Mar 2024		<div></div>	<div></div>	1%
Nuclear development	IAEA discovers uranium enriched to 90% or more in Iran by 31 Dec 2024		<div></div>	<div></div>	5%
	Iran eliminates, reduces, or grows its stockpile of uranium enriched up to 60% by 31 Dec 2024	Eliminates	<div></div>	<div></div>	0%
		Reduces by 50%+	<div></div>	<div></div>	1%
		Reduces by less than 50% or stays the same	<div></div>	<div></div>	6%
		Increases	<div></div>	<div></div>	93%
International agreements and sanctions	JCPOA participant country begins the process of imposing “snapback” sanctions on Iran by 31 Dec 2024		<div></div>	<div></div>	3%
	Iran announces it will leave the JCPOA before 1 Jan 2025		<div></div>	<div></div>	8%
	Iran agrees to limit uranium enrichment to 5% or less in next 6 months		<div></div>	<div></div>	2%