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Introduction

About ElectionGuide

ElectionGuide is the most comprehensive and timely source of global election information available online. It provides information about national level elections in 240 countries from 1998 to the present day, including for executive and legislative offices, snap elections, and referenda. The dataset for each election includes verified information on topics including:

- The structure of political institutions and electoral systems
- Voter registration deadlines and details
- Political parties and candidates
- Referendum provisions
- Voter turnout
- Election results
- The structure of political institutions and electoral systems

ElectionGuide was created in 1998 and has since been maintained by the International Foundation for Electoral Systems (IFES), an international nonprofit dedicated to building resilient democracies that deliver for all. ElectionGuide has steadily expanded in scope since its inception, adding additional data points, more frequent data updates, and higher quality verification measures. ElectionGuide now features a modern API to provide developers and researchers access to up-to-the-minute information.

Version 2 of this codebook contains details about the data generation process, data access options, and the definitions and availability of each data point in ElectionGuide.

ElectionGuide has been supported by multiple partners over time, including USAID and Meta.
Data Generation Overview

ElectionGuide is maintained by a team within IFES' Center for Applied Research and Learning. The team is responsible for forecasting elections; gathering data on candidates, parties, and electoral processes; monitoring and analyzing election results; and ensuring the consistency and accuracy of ElectionGuide in the period before and after an election. Our methodology relies on well-established data collection standards, objective analysis, and strict verification procedures.

Inclusion Criteria

ElectionGuide uses simple inclusion criteria to capture the broadest possible set of elections. To be included in ElectionGuide, an election must be:

- Direct
  - Voters select candidates to serve in a position or institution.
  - This excludes indirectly elected, appointed, and inherited positions.
- National level
  - National executive and legislative elections, as well as nationwide referenda, are included.
  - Central government elections in territories and autonomous areas such as Greenland and Catalonia are included, but subnational elections (e.g., gubernatorial, mayoral, local assembly) are not.

ElectionGuide does not evaluate the credibility or fairness of elections, and the inclusion of an election within this resource is not intended as an endorsement of an election process, election result or government.

Election Forecasting and Snap Election Monitoring

Every six months, the ElectionGuide team assembles a schedule of expected elections for the coming year based on announcements from electoral management bodies and legally defined electoral timetables. In most cases, the complete election date (month, day, year) is noted on the Upcoming Elections calendar on the ElectionGuide homepage. These dates are labelled “d” when the date is formally declared and “t” when they are still tentative. For cases where the precise date has not yet been determined but the ElectionGuide team has confirmed there will be an election based on constitutional provisions, the month and year is provided, and the date is set as the last day of the month. Election dates are added and updated as they are confirmed by official sources.

A separate election profile is created for each election round. Run-offs or additional rounds are also added to the schedule as they are announced.

The ElectionGuide team also monitors the international press for snap elections via daily news alerts. When a snap election is identified, it is added to the electoral schedule and integrated into the data collection process.
Data Update Cadence

The ElectionGuide team provides daily updates to the site as new information on upcoming and recent elections is announced. Election profiles are typically published two weeks before an election is held. Election results are posted shortly after they have been confirmed by official sources. Due to variations in electoral procedures, results may be posted anywhere from one day to several weeks after election day.

Country profiles are reviewed annually. If there is a national election scheduled for the year, the country profile is updated two weeks prior to that election and after election results are released, if necessary. All other countries receive profile updates annually. The ElectionGuide team also monitors the international press and updates country profiles when key information changes, such as the head of state or official country name.

Research on each extended election dataset begins four to six months before the anticipated election date. Election datasets are published once they have gone through our verification process (see next section). At a minimum, they are published four weeks before the respective election dates and updated to include official election results as soon as possible.

Data Verification Process

IFES takes a multifaceted approach to ensure the accuracy of the information gathered by ElectionGuide team members. The initial data collection for every scheduled election is carried out by a legal expert. Each election dataset is then reviewed and verified by at least one external authority, which may include:

- Country election authorities
- Other official government sources, including U.S.-based embassies
- Civil society organizations (CSOs)
- IFES country staff
- Inter-governmental organizations (e.g., OSCE, United Nations)
- Reliable secondary sources

Once an election dataset is compiled, it is sent out for verification by at least one of the aforementioned actors. While election profiles are published four weeks before election day, they may be updated as additional information becomes available, reviews are received, and official results are posted. The dataset includes several timestamps showing when key sections were last updated. The ElectionGuide team may post a dataset with only one of these sources if dual confirmation is not possible. As these updates occur, the election authority becomes the source of record. Given this ongoing process, election profiles should be treated as living records.

To verify election results after an election has been held, ElectionGuide uses data only from official sources (that is, a country election authority, embassy, or other government-affiliated source). In rare cases where information cannot be directly obtained, official results quoted in reputable media sources will be used, when they can be triangulated.
Data Access Options

ElectionGuide.org: Open Access

Information about upcoming and past elections is openly available on our website, organized by election and by country. The advanced search option (found in the Elections tab) allows users to search by country, election status, institution type, and election year.

**Election profiles:** As each election date approaches, the ElectionGuide research team compiles an election profile. Election profiles are posted approximately two weeks before an election is held and are updated in the weeks following the election as results are announced. These profiles include information on voter participation, political parties, vote breakdowns, gender quotas, and other international human rights commitments. Election profiles can be accessed from the map on the main page of ElectionGuide.org as well as from any hyperlinks for the election type or date or the body name. Please note: some past elections are missing complete profiles; it is a priority of our ongoing data collection expansion efforts to retroactively complete all historical election profiles.

**Country profiles:** Country profiles maintain a record of past electoral events for that country, including previous elections dates and voter turnout levels. These profiles also include additional information on government institutions and the country’s electoral system. Country profiles and election profiles are updated simultaneously. To access a country profile, click on the name or flag of the country of interest. Former countries or former names of existing countries do not have active country profile pages. Past election profiles for these countries are available by using the Advanced Search option.

ElectionGuide Portal

Registered users can access the expanded dataset for each election by logging in to the site. From either the list of upcoming or recent elections or from a specific election page, users can navigate to the full dataset view by clicking on the green "portal" button. If the full dataset has not yet been published, there will be no button for that particular election. See above for publication cadence.

Users can also download datasets as XLSX files, including individual election datasets and basic datapoints for all elections held since 2018. Complete datasets are only available for general elections (regular or snap). Second round, runoff, by-election, and referendum datasets include only election dates and results. Please note that the ElectionGuide portal works best when accessed through Google Chrome.

ElectionGuide API

ElectionGuide datasets are also available through our API, in JSON format. Please note that the API provides a subset of the complete dataset shown for individual elections within the User Portal. For a full list of variables by access option, please see the Extended Election Dataset Variable List at the end of this document.

To register for an account or to request an API token, please fill out the Data Access Request Form (available at https://electionguide.org/request_access/). The ElectionGuide team will then share secure login information.
Data Use Policy

ElectionGuide data may be used freely for personal and non-commercial purposes such as research, publication, and teaching, provided appropriate attribution is made to IFES ElectionGuide. Any changes to the data must be clearly indicated; IFES is not responsible for any changes made by non-IFES-affiliated actors.

For all other commercial purposes, please contact ElectionGuide@ifes.org.

While IFES strives to make the information on this website as timely and accurate as possible, IFES makes no claims nor guarantees about the accuracy and completeness of the data on this site beyond what is outlined in our verification process, and expressly disclaims any and all liability for errors and omissions in the contents of this site.

How to Cite ElectionGuide

When using the website, country or election profiles, database, or API, please cite ElectionGuide according to these suggested formats:

ElectionGuide (as a whole)

Country Profiles, Election Profiles, or other specific pages

API

Codebook

Contact the ElectionGuide Team

If you have any questions or comments about the site, its contents, or this codebook, please contact the team at ElectionGuide@ifes.org.
Data Dictionaries

Country Profiles

Official Name
Official (long) name of country in English

Population
Total population and date of population statistic
Source: CIA World Factbook

Registered Voters
Total number of registered voters

Elections in Our Database
Number of national elections listed in ElectionGuide

Average Turnout
Mean voter turnout over the last 5 recorded elections, automatically calculated

Institution Name
Name of institution in English

Official Name
Official name of institution in official language; for countries with multiple official languages, the most frequently listed name is used

Institution Type
Category of institution

Potential Values:
Head of State
Head of Government
Head of State & Government
Upper House
Assembly
Lower House
Constituent Assembly
Referendum
Chief of State
Name and title of chief of state, in “Title Given Name SURNAME” format

*Source:* CIA World Factbook

Head of Government
Name and title of head of government, in “Title Given Name SURNAME” format

*Source:* CIA World Factbook

Assembly
National assembly type (uni- or bicameral), name, and number of seats

*Source:* CIA World Factbook

Electoral System
Description of election/appointment method for each executive position and legislative body, including term length and limits

*Source:* CIA World Factbook
Election Profiles

Institution
Name of institution and number of seats (for legislatures)

Questions (referendum only)
For referendum only; official questions and potential responses in English

Chief of State
Chief of state name and start date, “Title First Name SURNAME (since Day Month Year)” format
Source: CIA World Factbook

Head of Government
Head of government name and start date, “Title First Name SURNAME (since Day Month Year)” format
Source: CIA World Factbook

Assembly
Institution name(s) in English and official language if applicable, number of seats

Electoral System
For all executive elections: method of election, term, and term limits
For all legislative elections: method of election, seats, term, and term limits

Last Election Results
For presidential elections: Name and percent of votes won for all candidates winning at least 5% of vote
For legislative elections: name and seats won for all parties winning at least 1 seat
Source: ElectionGuide (when available); Country election commission (for all other elections)

Last Election Voter Turnout
Percent of valid votes cast
Source: ElectionGuide (when available); International IDEA Voter Turnout Database (for all other elections)

New/Unique in this Election
Description of recent changes to electoral law/procedure, unusual electoral circumstances
Candidate filing deadline
Last possible day to declare candidacy

Voter registration deadline
Last possible day to register to vote

Candidate or Party
For executive elections: Candidate name, party name
For legislative elections: Party name in English, official party name, party acronym, name of party leader, number of seats won in prior election

Population
Total population, year of record or estimate applicable
Source: CIA World Factbook

Registered Voters
Number of registered voters, year of record or estimate

Female Population
Total number of women and year of estimate
Source: CIA World Factbook

CEDAW Status
Date the country signed and/or ratified the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women
Source: UN Treaty Body Database

Gender Quota
Description of legal gender quota for candidates or legislative seats, if applicable
Source: International IDEA Gender Quota Database

Female Candidates
Are there female candidates in this election? (Determined from official candidate list; Boolean)

Number of Female Legislators
Number of female legislators prior to this election (listed for all legislative institutions)
Source: IPU Parline Monthly Ranking of Women in National Parliaments
Human Development Index (HDI)
HDI rank, score, year of estimate
Source: UNDP Human Development Index

Social Institutions and Gender Index (SIGI)
SIGI rating, percentage, and year of estimate
Source: OECD Social Institutions & Gender Index

CRPD Status
Date upon which the country signed and/or ratified the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (CRPD)
Source: UN Treaty Body Database

Projected population with a disability
Estimated number of people with a disability
Source: UN DISTAT (if available); or estimate based on WHO (16% of total population*). Note the WHO estimate was updated to 16% from 15% in mid-2023. ElectionGuide changed its calculation as of August 2023.

IFES Presence
Does IFES have a presence in the country?
Potential Values:
Yes, office: IFES has a physical office and operates programs in this country.
Yes, programming: IFES operates programs in this country but has no active physical presence.
No: IFES does not currently operate in this country.

Election FAQs
Link to IFES’s FAQ document for that particular election, if available

Election Access
If applicable, link to Election Access: a database with statistics and legislation related to the electoral and political rights of people with disabilities

Election Judgments
If applicable, link to Election Judgements: a repository of judicial decisions on elections, as well as manuals, white papers, and other resources related to election disputes
Election Pricing Database
If applicable, link to Pricing in Elections: a database of election budgets and financial documents from national election commissions

ElectionBase
If applicable, link to ElectionBase: a database of information on European election commissions
## Extended Election Dataset Variable List

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**Basic Information**

Timestamp of last update (shared with Election Status section) included in Portal and API.

**Election Name**
Name of election in “Country Institution Year” format
Accessible via Portal & API API ID = election_name

**Institution Name**
Name of institution in English
Accessible via Portal & API (2020) API ID = institution.name

**Election Scope**
Categorization of election based on its place in the electoral sequence
Accessible via Portal & API API ID = election_scope

Potential Values:
- General: a single-round election in which all or most eligible positions are contested (as opposed to a by-election)
- Primary: a round of voting that occurs before a general election, often used to determine or narrow down party lists
- Runoff: an additional round of voting triggered by certain general election results, such as all candidates failing to meet a minimum vote threshold
- Round 1: the first round of voting in a multi-round election schedule
- Round 2: the second round of voting in a multi-round election schedule
- Round 3: the third round of voting in a multi-round election schedule
- Referendum: voters select a response to a proposed law or policy

**Election Level**
Branch of government involved in the election
Accessible via Portal & API API ID = district.district_type

Potential Values:
- NATIONAL_EXEC: executive
- NATIONAL_LEGISLATIVE: unicameral legislature
- NATIONAL_UPPER: upper house of a bicameral legislature
- NATIONAL_LOWER: lower house of a bicameral legislature
Snap Election

Is the election a snap election? (Boolean)

Accessible via Portal & API (2023)  API ID = is_snap_election

Election Type

Institution type and administrative level

Accessible via Portal & API  API ID = election_type

Potential values:

- Presidential (national)
- Parliamentary (national)
- Legislative (national)
- Referendum (national)
- Subnational – executive
- Subnational – legislative

Electoral System

Method of allocating votes and determining winning candidates/parties

Accessible via Portal & API  API ID = electoral_system

Potential values:

- FPTP (first-past-the-post): Each voter selects one candidate, and the candidate with the most votes wins.
- Alternative vote: Each voter ranks the candidates. If no candidate receives an absolute majority of first-rank votes, the lowest vote-getter is eliminated. Votes are redistributed to the remaining candidates, and this process continues until a winner emerges.
- Block vote: Each voter may vote for as many candidates as there are seats within the given constituency, and the highest vote-getters win.
- Two-round system: If no candidate meets the first round voting threshold (often an absolute majority), a second round election is conducted.
- Parallel: Some seats are allocated according to one system, often FPTP, while other seats are allocated via proportional representation. The final result may not be proportional.
- Proportional representation: Each voter selects a party list, and parties receive an amount of seats that corresponds to their share of the overall constituency vote. Seats are then given to the highest listed candidates on the list of each party that has received seats.
Mixed member representation: A certain number of seats are allocated according to one system, often FPTP, and the remaining seats are allocated to achieve proportional overall representation.

Single transferrable vote: Each voter casts a vote for a single candidate within a multi-seat constituency, and the candidates with the most votes fill the constituency seats.

Other: any electoral system that does not fit into one of the above categories

Other Electoral System
Description of electoral system if Electoral System value is “Other”
Accessible via Portal & API (2020)  API ID = electoral_system_other

Election Commission Name
Name of the election commission in English
Accessible via Portal & API (2023)  API ID = election_commission_name

Election Commission Website
Website of the election commission, in URL format
Accessible via Portal & API (2020)  API ID = administering_election_commission_website

Election Website (Other)
Government website with election information if different from election commission website, in URL format
Accessible via Portal (2023)

Election Commission Historical Context
Recent election commission legal or procedural changes
Accessible via Portal & API (2023)  API ID = election_commission_historical_context

Campaign Finance Law
Is there legislation addressing or restricting campaign financing? (Boolean)
Accessible via Portal & API (2023)  API ID = campaign_finance

Campaign Finance Law Details
Description of campaign finance legislation, if applicable
Accessible via Portal & API (2023)  API ID = campaign_finance_details
Candidate Selection Method
Means of selecting a new political officeholder
Accessible via Portal & API (2023)  API ID = candidate_selection
Potential values:
- Directly elected: candidate elected by the whole electorate
- Indirectly elected: candidate elected by a body elected by the whole electorate
- Hereditary: candidate inherits the position from a family member
- Appointed: candidate is selected, often by a head of state or head of government
- Succession: candidate automatically takes on the position after their predecessor resigns or is otherwise incapacitated

Election Status
Timestamp of last update (shared with Basic Information section) included in Portal and API.

Election Status
Current status of the election
Accessible via Portal
Potential Values:
- Date Not Confirmed: election date has been discussed in the press but not confirmed by an official source
- Postponed: election has been delayed and the new date is not yet known
- Confirmed: election date has been announced by an official source
- Held: election has concluded

COVID-19 Delay
Was the election delayed due to COVID-19? (Boolean)
Accessible via Portal & API (2020)  API ID = is_delayed_covid19

COVID Effects
Description of challenges and changes provoked by the COVID-19 pandemic
Accessible via Portal & API (2023)  API ID = covid_effects
Original Election Year

**Only for snap elections; year in which election was originally scheduled**

Accessible via Portal & API (2021)  API ID = original_election_year

Election Search Date

*(automatically calculated)* Date by which the elections are listed on the calendar. When elections happen over multiple days, calculated to be the end of the election range.

Accessible via Portal

Election Range Start Date

First day of constitutionally defined election window, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format

Accessible via Portal & API (2020)  API ID = election_range_start_date

Election Range End Date

Last day of constitutionally defined election window, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format

Accessible via Portal & API (2020)  API ID = election_range_end_date

Election Range Details

Additional information about election date range

Accessible via Portal (2020)

Election Declared Start Date

First day of officially declared election window, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format

Accessible via Portal & API  API ID = electionDeclared_start_date

Election Declared End Date

Last day of officially declared election window, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format

Accessible via Portal & API  API ID = electionDeclared_end_date

Election Blackout Start Date

First day of the blackout period in which campaigning may not occur, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format

Accessible via Portal & API (2020)  API ID = election_blackout_start_date
**Election Blackout End Date**
- Last day of the blackout period in which campaigning may not occur, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format
- Accessible via Portal & API (2020) API ID = election_blackout_end_date

**Candidate Declare Start**
- First day for official candidacy declarations, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format
- Accessible via Portal & API (2023) API ID = candidate_declare_start_date

**Candidate Declare End**
- Last day for official candidacy declarations, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format
- Accessible via Portal & API (2023) API ID = candidate_declare_end_date

**Candidate Filing Deadline Date**
- Last day for official candidacy declarations, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format
- Accessible via Portal & API (2020) API ID = election_candidate_filing_deadline

**Institution**
- Timestamp of last update included in API.

**Government Functions**
- Bulleted list of government branches, their electoral procedures, and composition
- Accessible via Portal & API with timestamp (2023) API ID = government_functions.details

**Incumbency Allowed**
- Are incumbent candidates allowed to run in elections for this institution? (Boolean)
- Accessible via Portal & API API ID = institution.incumbency_allowed

**Election Frequency**
- Description of how often this type of election is held
- Accessible via Portal & API (2023) API ID = institution.election_frequency

**Term Length**
- Length of a single term for the relevant institution
- Accessible via Portal & API (2023) API ID = institution.term_length
Term Limit
Are there term limits for the relevant institution? (Boolean)
Accessible via Portal & API (2023)   API ID = institution.term_length

Term Details
Description of term limits, if present
Accessible via Portal & API (2023)   API ID = institution.term_limit

Prominent Political Groups
Listing of parties/coalitions who won at least 5% of the vote in the previous election
Accessible via Portal & API   API ID =
institution.prominent_political_groups.data

Prominent Political Groups Comments
Additional information about prominent political groups
Accessible via Portal & API   API ID =
institution.prominent_political_groups.comments

Historical Voter Turnout
Voter turnout rates for the last 5 elections with data available; automatically generated from 2023 on; collected by the ElectionGuide team from 1998-2022
Accessible via Portal & API (2023)   API ID = institution.historical_voter_turnout.data

Historical Voter Turnout Comments
Additional information about historical voter turnout
Accessible via Portal & API (2023)   API ID =
institution.historical_voter_turnout.comments
**Voters and Voting**

Timestamp of last update included in Portal and API.

**Voting Age Minimum**

- Minimum age legally required to vote
- Accessible via Portal & API (2020)  
  API ID = voting_age_minimum_inclusive

**Voter Registration Deadline**

- Last possible day to register to vote, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format
- Accessible via Portal & API (2020)  
  API ID = voter_registration_deadline

**Voter Registration Day**

- Date of national voter registration day, if applicable, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format
- Accessible via Portal & API (2023)  
  API ID = voter_registration_day

**Registered Voters Date**

- Publication date of registered voter statistics, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format
- Accessible via Portal

**Registered Voters Total**

- Total number of registered voters
- If no official statistic is available, voter turnout of previous national election is used
- Accessible via Portal

**Registered Voters Female**

- Number of female registered voters; if no official statistic is available, field is left blank
- Accessible via Portal

**Registered Voters Male**

- Number of female registered voters; if no official statistic is available, field is left blank
- Accessible via Portal

**Eligible Voters**

- Estimated number of people eligible to vote within the country
- Accessible via Portal & API (2023)  
  API ID = eligible_voters
First Time Eligible Voters
   Number of people eligible to vote for the first time
   Accessible via Portal & API (2023)   API ID = first_time_voters

Compulsory Voting
   Is voting compulsory? (Boolean)
   Accessible via Portal & API (2023)   API ID = compulsory_voting

Official Results Date
   Date on which official election results were released, in "YYYY-MM-DD" format
   Accessible via Portal & API (2023)   API ID = official_results_date

Total Cast Votes
   Total number of votes (valid, invalid, and blank) cast
   Accessible via Portal

Valid Votes
   Number of valid votes cast
   Accessible via Portal

Invalid Votes
   Total number of invalid and blank votes cast
   Accessible via Portal

Participation Rate
   Number of valid votes divided by total number of registered voters; automatically calculated
   Accessible via Portal

Elected Female Leaders
   Number of female candidates who won election within relevant institution
   Accessible via Portal

Voting Issues
   List of key election issues, separated by semi-colons
   Accessible via Portal & API with timestamp (2023)   API ID = election_issues
**Concurrent Events**
List of major national or world events occurring during the election period
Accessible via Portal with timestamp (2023)

**Voting Methods**

**Voting Method Type**
Voting method, captures variations in timing/location/medium
Accessible via Portal & API (2020) API ID = voting_methods.type
Potential Values:
- In-person voting: voting at a polling place on election day
- Early voting: voting before election day
- Mail in voting: voting via a ballot submitted through the post
- Online voting: voting via a website or other internet tool
- Out-of-country voting (added 2023): voting from within another country

**Primary Voting Method**
Associated with voting method type; Is this the primary voting method? (Boolean)
Accessible via Portal & API (2020) API ID = voting_methods.primary

**Voting Method Start**
Associated with voting method type; First day of voting, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format
Accessible via Portal & API (2020) API ID = voting_methods.start

**Voting Method End**
Associated with voting method type; Last day of voting, in “YYYY-MM-DD” format
Accessible via Portal & API (2020) API ID = voting_methods.end

**Voting Method Excuse**
Associated with voting method type; Is an excuse required to vote this way? (Boolean)
Accessible via Portal & API (2020) API ID = voting_methods.excuse-required

**Voting Method Instructions**
Associated with voting method type; Official instructions for voting by this method
Accessible via Portal & API (2020) API ID = voting_methods.instructions
**Concurrent Elections**

**Concurrent Election Type**

Administrative level at which election is held

Available via Portal & API (2023)  
API ID = concurrent_elections.concurrent_type

Potential Values:

State: primary administrative level (i.e., a US state, a Japanese prefecture)

Regional: intermediate administrative levels (i.e., a Polish county, an Indian district)

Municipal: final administrative level (i.e., a Brazilian municipality, a French commune)

**Concurrent Election Name**

Name of election, in “Country Type Institution Year” format

Available via Portal & API (2023)

API ID = concurrent_elections.name

**Concurrent Election ISO-ALPHA 2 Code**

ISO-ALPHA 2 code of spatial unit in which election takes place

Available via Portal & API (2023)

API ID = concurrent_elections.alpha_code

**Concurrent Election Website**

Official website with information about election

Available via Portal & API (2023)

API ID = concurrent_elections.election_website

**Political Parties (Legislative Elections Only)**

*Available via Portal only; includes each party fielding candidates*

**Party Name**

Name of political party or coalition

**Party Seats Won**

Number of seats won by party
Party Votes
   Total number of votes received by party

Party Percentage of Votes
   Percentage of overall national vote received by party

Party Details
   Additional notes about the party

Candidates (Executive Elections Only)
Available via Portal only

Candidate Name
   Name of candidate, in “Given Name SURNAME” format

Candidate Incumbency
   Is the candidate an incumbent? (Boolean); 2023

Candidate Confirmed
   Is the candidate’s participation confirmed? (Boolean)

Candidate Party
   Name of the party with which the candidate is affiliated

Candidate Votes
   Number of valid votes received by the candidate

Candidate Percentage of Votes
   Percentage of valid votes received by the candidate

Referendum Provisions (Referenda Only)
Available via Portal only

Provision Text
   Official provision text, in English
Provision Comments
   Additional notes about provision

Provision Cast Votes
   Total number of votes cast on provision

Provision Valid Votes
   Number of valid votes cast on provision

Provision Invalid Votes
   Number of blank or invalid votes cast on provision

Provision Choice Name
   Text of provision choice, often “Yes” or “No”

Provision Choice Votes
   Number of valid votes received by provision choice

Provision Choice Percentage
   Percent of valid votes received by provision choice

Rights and Information (Portal Only)
Timestamp of last update provided in API. All variables added in 2020.

Support Electoral Rights
   Are there laws or procedures that support the electoral rights of people with disabilities? (Boolean)

Support Electoral Rights Details
   Description of legislation that supports electoral rights of people with disabilities

Restrict Electoral Rights
   Are there laws that restrict the electoral rights of people with disabilities? (Boolean)

Restrict Electoral Rights Details
   Description of electoral rights restrictions
Hate Speech Prohibited
Does the country prohibit hate speech? (Boolean)

Hate Speech Prohibited Details
Description of hate speech prohibitions

Disinformation Prohibited
Does the country prohibit the spread of disinformation? (Boolean)

Disinformation Prohibited Details
Description of disinformation prohibitions

Documents (Portal Only)

Document Name
Name of election document

Document Type
Category of electoral document
Potential values:
- Election notes: additional notes from legal experts
- Ballot file: image of a ballot
- Legal documents: electoral laws, constitutions, and other legal texts

Document Description
Description of document contents

Document Upload
Document file, in PDF, DOCX, PNG, JPG, CSV, or XLSX, format