2024 Indian general election

**General elections are being held in** [**India**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elections_in_India) **from** [**19 April to 1 June 2024**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2024_elections_in_India) **in seven phases, to elect all** [**543 members**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_constituencies_of_the_Lok_Sabha) **of the** [**Lok Sabha**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lok_Sabha)**. The votes will be counted and the results will be declared on 4 June 2024.**

**This is the largest-ever election in history, surpassing the** [**previous election**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2019_Indian_general_election)**, and lasts 44 days, second only to the** [**1951–52 Indian general election**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/1951%E2%80%9352_Indian_general_election)**. The incumbent prime minister** [**Narendra Modi**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Narendra_Modi)**, who completed a** [**second term**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Second_Modi_ministry)**, is running for a third consecutive term.**

**Approximately 970 million people out of a population of 1.4 billion people are eligible to vote, equivalent to 70% of the total population.**[**[1]**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2024_Indian_general_election#cite_note-:0-1)[**[2]**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2024_Indian_general_election#cite_note-:1-2)[**[3]**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2024_Indian_general_election#cite_note-:2-3) **The legislative assembly elections in the states of** [**Andhra Pradesh**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2024_Andhra_Pradesh_Legislative_Assembly_election)**,** [**Arunachal Pradesh**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2024_Arunachal_Pradesh_Legislative_Assembly_election)**,** [**Odisha**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2024_Odisha_Legislative_Assembly_election)**, and** [**Sikkim**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2024_Sikkim_Legislative_Assembly_election) **are to be held simultaneously with the general election, along with the** [**by-elections**](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2024_elections_in_India#Legislative_Assembly_by-elections) **for 25 constituencies in 12 legislative assemblies.**

**All 543 seats in the Lok Sabha, and 272 seats are needed for a majority**

**Opinion Poll Data**

| **Parties** | **BJP** | **Congress** |
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| **Leader** | **Narendra Modi** | **Mallikarjun Kharge** |
| **Alliance** | **NDA** | **INDIA** |
| **Leader since** | **2013** | **2022** |
| **Leader's seat** | **Varanasi** | **Rajya Sabha** |
| **Current seats** | **293** | **51** |