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General elections were held in India between 19 and 25 February 1962 to elect members of the third Lok Sabha. Unlike the previous two elections, each constituency elected a single member.<sup>[1]</sup>

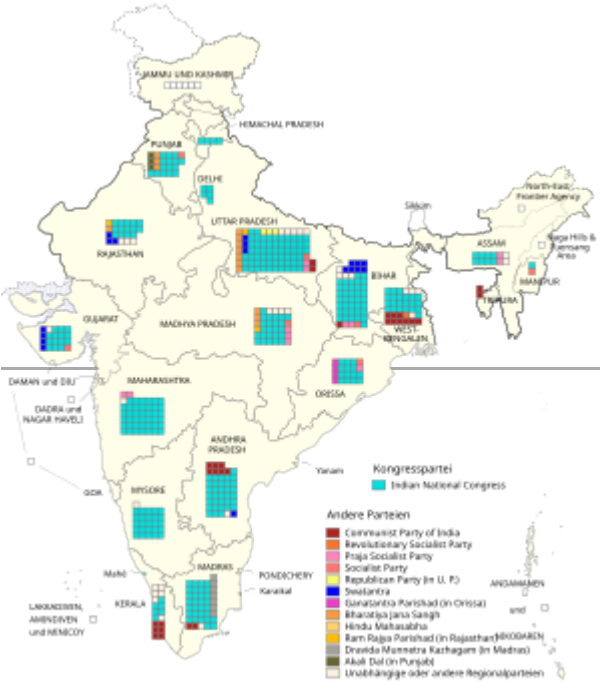
Jawaharlal Nehru won another landslide victory in his third and final election campaign. The Indian National Congress received 44.7% of the vote and won 361 of the 494 elected seats. This was only

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19–25 February 1962			
494 of the 508 seats in the Lok Sabha 248 seats needed for a majority			
Registered	216,361,569		
Turnout	55.42% (▲ 9.98 pp)		
Leader			
	<u>Jawaharlal Nehru</u>	<u>Shripad Amrit Dange</u>	<u>C. Rajagopalachari</u>
	<u>INC</u>	<u>CPI</u>	<u>SWA</u>
	Last election	47.78%, 371 seats	8.92%, 27 seats
	Seats won	361	29
	Seat change	▼ 10	▲ 2
	Popular vote	51,509,084	11,450,037
	Percentage	44.72%	9.94%
	Swing	▼ 3.06pp	▲ 1.02pp
Leader			
	<u>Deendayal Upadhyaya</u>	<u>Jayaprakash Narayan</u>	
Party	<u>ABJS</u>	<u>PSP</u>	

slightly lower than in the previous two elections and they still held over 70% of the seats in the Lok Sabha.

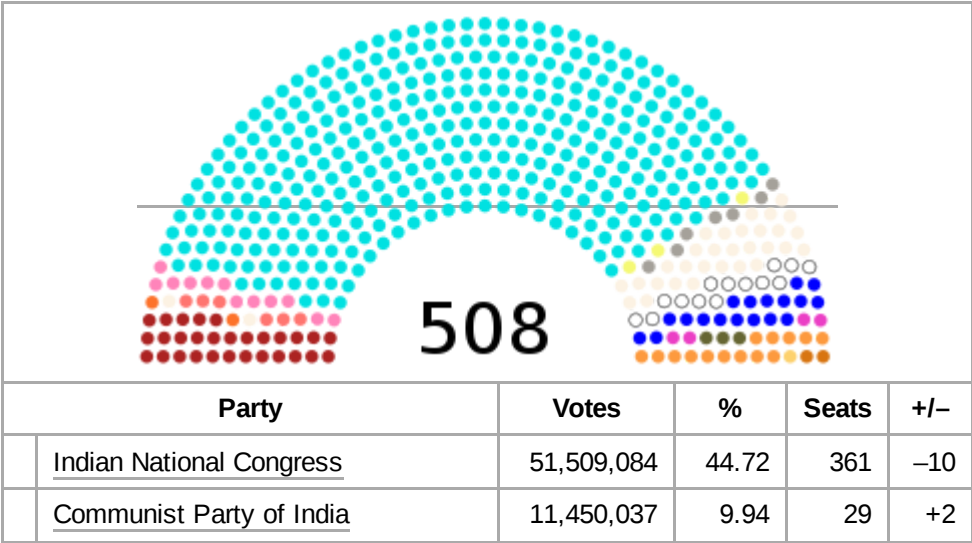
Results

Last election	5.97%, 4 seats	10.41%, 19 seats
Seats won	14	12
Seat change	▲ 10	▼ 7
Popular vote	7,415,170	7,848,345
Percentage	6.44%	6.81%
Swing	▲ 0.47pp	▼ 3.60pp



Results by constituency

Prime Minister before election	Prime Minister after election
Jawaharlal Nehru	Jawaharlal Nehru
INC	INC



<u>Swatantra Party</u>	9,085,252	7.89	18	New
<u>Praja Socialist Party</u>	7,848,345	6.81	12	–7
<u>Bharatiya Jana Sangh</u>	7,415,170	6.44	14	+10
<u>Republican Party of India</u>	3,255,985	2.83	3	New
<u>Socialist Party</u>	3,099,397	2.69	6	New
<u>Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam</u>	2,315,610	2.01	7	New
<u>Shiromani Akali Dal</u>	829,129	0.72	3	New
<u>All India Forward Bloc</u>	826,588	0.72	2	0
<u>Hindu Mahasabha</u>	747,861	0.65	1	0
<u>Peasants and Workers Party of India</u>	703,582	0.61	0	–4
<u>Akhil Bharatiya Ram Rajya Parishad</u>	688,990	0.60	2	+2
<u>Jharkhand Party</u>	467,338	0.41	3	–3
<u>Revolutionary Socialist Party (RSP)</u>	451,717	0.39	2	+2
<u>Indian Union Muslim League</u>	417,761	0.36	2	New
<u>All India Ganatantra Parishad</u>	342,970	0.30	4	–3
<u>Lok Sewak Sangh</u>	281,755	0.24	2	New
<u>Nutan Maha Gujarat Janata Parishad</u>	195,812	0.17	1	New
<u>Haryana Lok Samiti</u>	118,667	0.10	1	New
<u>Tamil National Party</u>	92,389	0.08	0	New
<u>All Party Hill Leaders Conference</u>	91,850	0.08	1	New
<u>Socialist Labour Party</u>	80,227	0.07	0	New
<u>Revolutionary Socialist Party (RCP)</u>	60,813	0.05	0	New
<u>Gorkha League</u>	46,127	0.04	0	New
<u>Eastern Indian Tribal Union</u>	12,574	0.01	0	New
<u>We Tamil</u>	11,372	0.01	0	New
<u>Independents</u>	12,722,488	11.05	20	–22
Appointed members <sup>[a]</sup>			14	+3
<b>Total</b>	<b>115,168,890</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>508</b>	<b>+3</b>
Valid votes	115,168,890	96.05		
Invalid/blank votes	4,735,394	3.95		
<b>Total votes</b>	<b>119,904,284</b>	<b>100.00</b>		
Registered voters/turnout	216,361,569	55.42		

a. Six representing Jammu and Kashmir, two representing Anglo-Indians, one representing the Amindive, Laccadive and Minicoy Islands, one representing the Andaman and Nicobar Islands, one representing Dadra and Nagar Haveli, one representing Goa, Daman and Diu,

one representing the North-East Frontier Agency and one representing the Tuensang and Naga Hills districts in Nagaland.

## State wise

### Andhra Pradesh

Party		Seats			Popular vote		
		Contested	Won	+/-	Votes	%	±pp
	<u>Indian National Congress</u>	43	<b>34</b>	▼ 4	57,11,263	<b>47.96%</b>	▼ 3.51%
	<u>Communist Party of India</u>	20	<b>7</b>	▲ 5	25,05,619	<b>21.04%</b>	▲ 9.03%
	<u>Swatantra Party</u>	28	<b>1</b>	▲ 1	17,75,495	<b>14.91%</b>	New
	<u>Independents</u>	44	<b>1</b>	▼ 1	16,53,436	<b>13.89%</b>	5.37% ▼
<b>Total</b>		<b>43</b>			<b>1,19,08,021</b>		

### Assam

Party		Seats			Popular vote		
		Contested	Won	+/-	Votes	%	±pp
	<u>Indian National Congress</u>	12	<b>9</b>	▼ 4	57,11,263	<b>45.16%</b>	▼ 6.52%
	<u>Praja Socialist Party</u>	8	<b>2</b>	—	4,78,099	<b>19.16%</b>	▼ 0.8%
	<u>All Party Hill Leaders Conference</u>	1	<b>1</b>	New	91,850	<b>3.68%</b>	New
	<u>Communist Party of India</u>	4	<b>0</b>	▲ 5	1,76,098	<b>7.06%</b>	▼ 3.19%
	<u>Independents</u>	13	<b>0</b>	▼ 1	5,16,793	<b>20.71%</b>	▲ 2.6%
<b>Total</b>		<b>12</b>			<b>24,95,311</b>		

### Bihar








Party		Seats			Popular vote		
		Contested	Won	+/-	Votes	%	±pp
	<u>Indian National Congress</u>	53	<b>39</b>	▼ 2	43,65,148	<b>43.89%</b>	▼ 0.58%
	<u>Praja Socialist Party</u>	32	<b>2</b>	—	12,62,106	<b>12.69%</b>	▼ 8.95%
	<u>Swatantra Party</u>	43	<b>7</b>	New	18,11.170	<b>18.21%</b>	New
	<u>Communist Party of India</u>	16	<b>1</b>	▲ 5	6,34,516	<b>6.38%</b>	▲ 1.36%
	<u>Independents</u>	34	<b>0</b>	▼ 1	4,93,330	<b>4.96%</b>	▼ 10.88%
<b>Total</b>		<b>53</b>			<b>99,46,244</b>		

### Gujrat

Party	Seats			Popular vote		
	Contested	Won	+/-	Votes	%	±pp
<u>Indian National Congress</u>	22	<b>16</b>	-	27,76,327	<b>52.56%</b>	-
<u>Swatantra Party</u>	14	<b>4</b>	-	13,20,405	<b>25.0%</b>	-
<u>Praja Socialist Party</u>	6	<b>1</b>	-	3,74,813	<b>7.1%</b>	-
<u>Nutan Maha Gujarat Janata Parishad</u>	3	<b>1</b>	-	1,95,812	<b>3.71%</b>	-
<u>Independents</u>	14	<b>0</b>	-	4,69,020	<b>8.88%</b>	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>22</b>			<b>52,82,558</b>		

- Gujrat was formed a new state in 1961 after separation from Bombay state.

## Madras

Party	Seats			Popular vote		
	Contested	Won	+/-	Votes	%	±pp
<u>Indian National Congress</u>	41	31		56,23,013	45.26	 1.26%
<u>Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam</u>	18	7	 7	23,15,610	18.64	New
<u>Communist Party of India</u>	14	2		12,72,313	10.24	 0.18%
<u>Swatantra Party</u>	16	0	New	13,00,526	10.47	New
<u>Independents</u>	46	0	 8	9,33,150	7.51	 32.26%
<b>Total</b>	<b>41</b>			<b>1,24,24,036</b>		

## By-elections

In 1963 a by-election was held for the Bilaspur Lok Sabha seat, which was at the time in Madhya Pradesh. The election was won by the Indian National Congress candidate C. Singh, with 86,229 votes, against M. L. Shukla of Jana Sangh with 54,156 votes.<sup>[2]</sup> This by-election was needed because the original election for this seat was declared void by the Madhya Pradesh High Court, which judged that the nomination papers of one of the candidates, Bashir Ahmed Qureshi, "was improperly and illegally rejected by the Returning Officer".<sup>[3]</sup>

## See also

- List of members of the 3rd Lok Sabha
- Election Commission of India
- 1962 Indian presidential election

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