

This chapter provides details of the results of presidential and legislative elections that took place in 2019 in independent states, presented in circum-Mediterranean order. The list also includes referenda and those elections held in autonomous entities or in any other relevant territory that are of particular political significance.

Portugal

Legislative elections

6 October 2019

Previous elections: 4 October 2015

Portugal is a parliamentary republic. It has a unicameral legislative system, where the Assembly of the Republic (*Assembleia da República*) counts with 230 seats to serve four-year terms. The deputies are elected through a party-list proportional representation system. Among deputies, two of them represent the Portuguese diaspora living abroad in Europe and the other two represent those citizens living outside Europe. There is no established threshold.

Parties	%	Seats
Socialist Party (PS) (social democracy)	36.35	108
Social Democratic Party (PPD/PSD) (conservatism)	27.77	79
Left Bloc (BE) (left wing)	9.52	19
Unitary Democratic Coalition (PCP-PEV) (left wing)	6.34	12
CDS-People's Party (CDS-PP) (christian democratic, conservatism)	4.22	5
People - Animals - Nature (PAN) (single-issue)	3.32	4
Chega (populism - nationalism)	1.29	1
Liberal Initiative (liberalism)	1.29	1
Livre (eco-socialism)	1.09	1

Turnout: 48.6%

Spain

Legislative elections

28 April 2019

Previous elections: 26 June 2016

Spain is a parliamentary monarchy. It has a bicameral legislative system (Cortes Generales) composed of the Congress of Deputies and the Senate. Elections are held to renew both bodies to serve four-year terms. 350 members are designated to the first chamber through proportional representation system, closed-party lists and a 3% threshold. The second chamber counts 259 seats and they are allocated as follows: 208 directly elected in four-seat constituencies and 51 appointed by the autonomous legislatures.

Congress of Deputies

Parties	%	Seats
Spanish Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE) (social democracy)	28.67	123
People's Party (PP) (conservatism)	16.69	66
Ciudadanos (C's) (conservative liberalism)	15.86	57
United We Can - In Common We Can (left wing)	14.32	42
VOX (far right)	10.26	24
Republican Left of Catalonia (ERC - regional independentist)	3.91	15
Together for Catalonia (JxCat - regional independentist)	1.91	7
Basque Nationalist Party (Basque nationalism)	1.51	6
Basque Country Unite (left wing - nationalism)	0.99	4
Canary Coalition (regionalism)	0.53	2
Sum Navarre (NA+ conservatism)	0.41	2
Regionalist Party of Cantabria (PRC regionalism)	0.2	1

Turnout: 71.76%

Senate

Parties	%	Seats
Spanish Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE) (social democracy)	53.01	123
People's Party (PP) (conservatism)	27.44	54
Republican Left of Catalonia (ERC - regional independentist)	4.89	11
Ciudadanos (C's) (conservative liberalism)	3.76	4
Basque Nationalist Party	3.76	9
Together for Catalonia (JxCat - regional independentist)	2.26	2
Sum Navarre (NA+ conservatism)	1.13	3
Basque Country Unite (left wing - nationalism)	0.75	1
Gomera Socialist Group (ASG)	0.38	1

Turnout: 71.32%

Legislative elections

10 November 2019

Previous elections: 28 April 2019

Congress of Deputies

Parties	%	Seats
Spanish Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE) (social democracy)	28.00	120
People's Party (PP) (conservatism)	20.81	89
VOX (far right)	15.08	52
United We Can - In Common We Can (left wing)	12.86	35
Ciudadanos (C's) (conservative liberalism)	6.80	10
Republican Left of Catalonia (ERC - regional independentist)	3.63	13
Together for Catalonia (JxCat - regional independentist)	2.19	8
Basque Nationalist Party (Basque nationalism)	1.56	6

Parties	%	Seats
Basque Country Unite (left wing - nationalism)	1.14	5
More Country (left wing)	2.40	3
Popular Unity Candidacy - For Rupture (CUP-PR, far left)	1.02	2
Canary Coalition (regionalism)	0.51	2
Sum Navarre (NA + conservatism)	0.41	2
Galician Nationalist Bloc (BNG)	0.50	1
Regionalist Party of Cantabria (PRC regionalism)	0.28	1
Teruel Exists (iTeruel Existel)	0.08	1

Turnout: 66.23%

Senate

Parties	%	Seats
Spanish Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE) (social democracy)	41.51	93
People's Party (PP) (conservatism)	36.98	83
Republican Left of Catalonia (ERC - regional independentist)	4.91	11
Basque Nationalist Party	3.77	9
Together for Catalonia (JxCat - regional independentist)	1.89	3
VOX (far right)	1.13	2
Sum Navarre (NA+ conservatism)	1.13	3
Teruel Exists (iTeruel Existel)	0.75	2
Basque Country Unite (left wing- nationalism)	0.75	1
Gomera Socialist Group (ASG)	0.38	1

Turnout: 65.91%

Andorra

Legislative elections

7 April 2019

Previous elections: 1 March 2015

Andorra is a parliamentary republic. It has a unicameral legislative system (*Consell General de les Valls*) counting with 28 seats and allocated as follows: 14 members are elected from the seven two-member constituencies, and 14 are elected by proportional representation on a national basis.

Parties	Proportional		Constituencies		Total
	%	Seats	Seats	Seats	
Democrats for Andorra (DA)	35.13	6	5	11	
Social-Democratic Party (PS)	30.62	5	2	7	
Liberal Party of Andorra (LA)	12.48	2	2	4	
Third Way - Lauredian Union	10.42	2	2	4	
Committed Citizens			2	2	

Turnout: 68.33%

Croatia

Presidential elections

22 December 2019 (first round), and 05 January 2020 (second round)

Previous elections: 28 December 2014 (first round), and 11 January 2015 (second round)

Croatia is a parliamentary republic. The president is elected by absolute majority vote through a two-round system to serve five-year term.

Candidates	% 1st round	% 2nd round
Zoran Milanović, Social democratic Party	29.55	52.66
Kolinda Grabar-Kitarovic, independent (HDZ) (conservatism)	26.65	47.34
Miroslav Škoro, independent	24.45	
Mislav Kolakušić, independent	5.88	
Dario Juričan, independent	4.61	

Turnout: 51.18% (first round) and 54.99% (second round)

Kosovo under UN Security

Council Resolution 1244

Legislative elections

11 June 2017

Previous elections: 8 June 2014

Kosovo under UN Security Council Resolution 1244 is a parliamentary republic. It has a unicameral legislative system (*Kuvendi i Kosovës*) with 120 seats elected through an open-list proportional representation system to serve four-year term. 10 of those deputies are elected by the Serbian community and another 10 by other minorities. A 5% threshold is established for political parties representing the Albanian majority, and no threshold for the minorities.

Parties	%	Seats
Self-Determination Movement (LV) (nationalism)	26.27	29
Democratic League of Kosovo (LDK) (conservatism)	24.55	28
Democratic Party of Kosovo (PDK) (liberalism)	21.23	24
100 % Kosovo (Alliance for the Future of Kosovo (AAK) (conservatism); Social Democratic Party of Kosovo (PSD))	11.51	13
Serbian List (SL) (Minority interests, Serbian nationalism)	6.40	10
NISMA (Social democracy) - AKR (liberal) - PD (conservatism)	5.00	6
Vakat Coalition (Bosnian minority)	0.84	2
Turkish Democratic Party of Kosovo (Turkish minority)	0.81	2
Other Minority Parties	1.90	6

Turnout: 44.59%

North Macedonia

Presidential elections

21 April 2019 (first round) and 5 May 2019 (second round)

Previous elections: 13 and 27 April 2014

The Republic of North Macedonia is a parliamentary republic. The President is elected by absolute majority vote through a two-round system to serve five-year term. The constitution establishes that a candidate must achieve support from the majority of registered voters in a first round, or a second round between the two top candidates would be organized.

Candidates	% 1st round	% 2nd round
Stevo Pendarovski, Social Democratic Union of Macedonia (SDSM) (social democracy, third way)	44.75	53.58
Gordana Siljanovska-Davkova, Democratic Party for Macedonian National Unity (VMRO-DPMNE) (conservatism)	44.16	46.42
Blerim Reka, (independent)	11.08	

Turnout: 41.67% (1st round) and 46.65% (2nd round)

Greece

Legislative elections

7 July 2019

Previous elections: 25 September 2015

Greece is a parliamentary republic with a unicameral legislature. The chamber (*Vouli ton Ellinon*) counts 300 members. Candidates are elected through a proportional representation system to serve a four-year term. There are 56 constituencies for 288 seats and one multi-member nationwide constituency for 12 seats. The first party in seats is awarded 50 more seats. A 3% threshold is established.

Parties	%	Seats
New Democracy (ND) (conservatism)	39.85	158
Coalition of the Radical Left (SYRIZA)	31.53	86
Movement for Change (PASOK: KIDISIO)	8.10	22
Communist Party of Greece (KKE)	5.30	15
Greek Solution (ultra-nationalism)	3.70	10
MeRA25 (left wing)	3.44	9

Turnout: 57.91%

Israel

Legislative elections

9 April 2019

Previous elections: 17 March 2015

Israel is a parliamentary republic with a unicameral legislature (Knesset). Elections are called to elect the 120 members through a closed-list proportional representation system to serve four-year terms. It is established a 2% threshold.

Parties	%	Seats
Likud (right wing)	26.46	35
Blue & White (centrist, liberal)	26.13	35
Shas (religious, right wing)	5.99	8
United Torah Judaism (religious, right wing)	5.78	8
Hadash; Taal (Israeli Arab interests)	4.49	6
Labor (social democracy)	4.43	6
Yisrael Beiteinu (right wing)	4.01	5
Union of Right-Wing Parties (religious, right wing)	3.70	5
Meretz (social democracy, left wing)	3.63	4
Kulanu (centre-right)	3.54	4
United Arab List, Balad, (Arab interests)	3.33	4

Turnout: 68.41%

17 September 2019

Previous elections: 9 April 2019

Parties	%	Seats
Blue & White (centrist, liberal)	25.95	33
Likud (right wing)	25.10	32
Joint List (Arab parties)	10.60	13
Shas (religious, right wing)	7.44	9
Yisrael Beiteinu (right wing)	6.99	8
United Torah Judaism (religious, right wing)	6.06	7
Yamina (right wing)	5.87	7
Labor-Gesher	4.80	6
Democratic Union	4.34	5

Turnout: 69.83%

Egypt

Referendum

14 January 2014

The referendum was promoted by the acting President, proposing to amend the constitution. Article 140 is amended to lengthen the presidential term from four to six years and article 241 changes to lengthen el-Sisi's current term and allow him to stand for an additional term in office. Other changes restore the President's ability to appoint Vice-Presidents. Other modifications make the President head of the Higher Council for Judicial Authorities, which would appoint the public prosecutor and judicial leaders. Two amendments further embed the role of the military in government, to state that the military should "preserve the constitution and democracy, maintain the basic pillars of the state and its civilian nature, and uphold the gains of the people, and the rights and freedoms of individuals."

Options	%
Yes	88.83
No	11.17

Turnout: 44.33%

Tunisia

Legislative elections

6 October 2019

Previous elections: 26 October 2014 (Constituent Assembly)

Tunisia is a semi-presidential republic. It has a unicameral parliament (*Majlis Nuwaab a-shaab*) with 217 seats to serve five-year term. Deputies are elected

through a closed-list proportional representation system. There is no threshold.

Parties	%	Seats
Ennahdha Renaissance Party (islamism, conservatism)	19.63	52
Heart of Tunisia (bourguibism, populism)	14.55	38
Free Destourian Party (bourguibism, secularism)	6.63	17
Democratic Current (pan-arabism)	6.42	22
Dignity Coalition	5.94	21
People's Movement (secularism, socialism)	4.53	15
Tahya Tounes (liberalism)	4.08	14
Republican People's Union (néo-bourguibisme)	2.10	3
Aïch Tounsi (Populism)	1.62	1
Tunisian Alternative (centrism, liberalism)	1.61	3
Tunisian Aspiration (secularism, liberalism)	1.54	2
Call to Tunisia (NT) (secularism, social democracy)	1.51	3
Machrouu Tounes (bourguibism, secularism)	1.43	4
Popular Front (FP) (secularism, socialism)	1.13	1
Democratic and Social Union (VDS-PR-MDS)	1.04	1
Errahma (Salafism, conservatism)	0.98	4
Current of Love (populism)	0.62	1
Socialist Destourian Party	0.57	1
Farmers' Voice Party (agrarianism)	0.33	1
Green League	0.20	1
Independent lists	2.86	12

Turnout: 41.70%

Presidential elections

15 September 2019 (first round) 13

October 2019 (second round)

Previous elections: 23 November 2014

(first round), and 21 December 2014 (second round)

The President is elected by absolute majority vote through a two-round system to serve five-year term.

Candidates/Party	% 1st round	% 2nd round
Kais Saïed (independent)	18.40	72.71
Nabil Karoui (Heart of Tunisia)	15.58	27.29
Abdelfattah Mourou (Ennahda Movement)	12.88	
Abdelkrim Zbidi (independent)	10.73	

Youssef Chahed (Long Live Tunisia)	7.38
Safi Saïd (independent)	7.11
Lotfi Mraïhi (Republican People's Union)	6.56
Other candidates	21.35
Turnout: 48.98% (1 st round) and 55.02% (2 nd round)	

Algeria

Presidential elections

12 December 2019

Previous elections: 17 April 2014

Algeria is a presidential republic. The President is elected by absolute majority vote through a two-round system to serve five-year term. There is no presidential term limit.

Candidates	% 1st round
Abdelmajid Tebboune (independent)	58.13
Abdelkader Bengrina (El Binaa)	17.37
Ali Benflis (Talaie El Houriyate)	10.55
Azzedine Mihoubi (Democratic National Rally)	7.28
Abdelaziz Belaïd (El Moustakbal Front)	6.67
Turnout: 39.88%	

Mauritania

Presidential elections

22 June 2019

Previous elections: 21 June 2014

Mauritania is a presidential republic. The President is elected by absolute majority vote through a two-round system to serve five-year term. A second round was not necessary as one of the candidates achieved an absolute majority in the first round. There is a presidential limit to two consecutive terms.

Candidates	% 1st round
Mohamed Ould Ghazouani, Union for the Republic Party (URP) (centrism, Populism)	52.00
Biram Dah Abeid, independent	18.59
Sidi Mohamed Ould Boubacar, independent	17.87
Kane Hamidou Baba, independent	8.70
Mohamed Ould Mouloud, Rally of Democratic Forces	2.44

Mohamed Lemine al-Mourtaji al-Wafi, Mohamed Lemine al-Mourtaji al-Wafi	0.40
Turnout: 62.63%	

European Union (EU)

European Parliament elections

23–26 May 2019

Previous elections: 22, 23, 24, 25 May 2014

The European Parliament counts with 751 members that are elected by proportional representation to serve five-year term. Each Member State sets its own electoral system and has a specific number of seats according to its population within the EU.

Parties	%	Seats
Group of the European People's Party (Christian Democrats) (EPP)	24.23	182
Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament (S&D)	20.51	154
Renew Europe (RE)	14.38	108
The Greens/European Free Alliance (Greens/EFA)	9.85	74
Identity and Democracy (ID)	9.72	73
European Conservatives and Reformists (ECR)	8.26	62
European United Left/Nordic Green Left (GUE/NGL)	5.46	41
Non-attached Members – Members not belonging to any political group (NI)	7.59	57
Turnout: 50.62%		

The following tables show the results in every European country and highlight in bold the corresponding European political group:

Portugal. 21 seats. No threshold. Turnout: 30.73%		
Parties	%	Seats
Socialist Party (S&D)	33.38	9
Social Democratic Party (PSD) (EPP)	21.94	6
Left Bloc (GUE/NGL)	9.82	2
Unitary Democratic Coalition (CDU)		
Communist Party + Ecologist Party (GUE/ NGL)	6.88	2
CDS- People's Party (CDS-PP) (EPP)	6.19	1
People-Animals-Nature (PAN) (G/EFA)	5.08	1

Spain. 54 seats. No threshold. Turnout: 60.73%		
Parties	%	Seats
People's Party (PP) (EPP)	26.09	20
Spanish Socialist Workers' Party (PSOE) (S&D)	23.01	12
Citizens–Party of the Citizenry (Cs) (RE)	12.18	7
United We Can Change Europe (Podemos–IU) (GUE/NGL, 5) (Greens/ EFA, 1)	10.07	6
VOX (ECR)	7.98	3
Republics Now (Republican Left of Catalonia (ERC); Basque Country Gather (EH Bildu); Galician Nationalist Bloc (BNG)) (GUE/NGL, 1) (Greens/ EFA, 1) (NI, 1)	5.58	3
Free for Europe (Junts per Catalunya) (NI)	4.54	2
Coalition for a Solidary Europe (CEUS) (Basque Nationalist Party (EAJ/ PNV), Canarian Coalition–Canarian Nationalist Party (CCa– PNC) (RE)	2.82	1

France. 74 seats. 5% threshold. Turnout: 50.12%		
Parties	%	Seats
National Rally (ID)	23.34	22
La République En Marche- Democratic Movement (LREM– MoDEM) (RE)	22.42	21
Europe Ecology – The Greens (G/EFA)	13.48	12
The Republicans - The Centrists (EPP)	8.48	8
La France insoumise (GUE/NGL)	6.31	6
Socialist Party and allies (S&D)	6.19	5

Italy. 73 seats. 4% threshold. Turnout: 54.50%		
Parties	%	Seats
League (ID)	34.26	28
Democratic Party – We Are Europeans (PD–SE) (S&D)	22.74	19
Five Star Movement (M5S) (NI)	17.06	14
Forza Italia (FI) (EPP)	8.78	6
Brothers of Italy (Fdi) (EPP)	6.44	5
South Tyrolean People's Party (SVP) (EPP)	0.53	1

Malta. 6 seats. No threshold.		
Turnout: 74.80%		
Parties	%	Seats
Labour Party (PLM) (S&D)	54.29	4
Nationalist Party (PNM) (EPP)	37.90	2

Slovenia. 8 seats. No threshold.		
Turnout: 28.29%		
Parties	%	Seats
Slovenian Democratic Party + Slovenian People's Party (EPP)	26.43	3
Social Democrats (S&D)	18.64	2
List of Marjan Šarec (ALDE)	15.58	2
New Slovenia (EPP)	11.07	1

Croatia. 11 seats. 5% threshold.		
Turnout: 29.86%		
Parties	%	Seats
Croatian Democratic Union (HDZ) (EPP)	22.72	4
Social Democratic Party of Croatia (SDP) (S&D)	18.71	3
Croatian Sovereignists (HS) (ECR)	8.52	1
Mislav Kolakušić (Independent) (NI)	7.89	1
Human Shield (NI)	5.66	1
Amsterdam Coalition (A) (RE)	5.19	1

Greece. 21 seats. 3% threshold.		
Turnout: 58.69%		
Parties	%	Seats
New Democracy (EPP)	33.12	8
Coalition of the Radical Left (SYRIZA) (GUE/NGL)	23.75	6
Movement for Change (KINAL) (S&D)	7.72	2
Communist Party of Greece (KKE) (NI)	5.35	2
Golden Dawn (XA) (NI)	4.87	2
Greek Solution (EL) (ECR)	4.18	1

Cyprus. 6 seats. 1.8% threshold.		
Turnout: 44.99%		
Parties	%	Seats
Democratic Rally (DISY) (EPP)	29.02	2
Progressive Party of Working People (AKEL) (GUE/NGL)	27.49	2
Democratic Party (DIKO) (S&D)	13.80	1
Movement for Social Democracy (EDEK) (S&D)	10.58	1

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