

On-Reserve Voter Turnout 43rd General Election



380,360
people living on reserves

(Statistics Canada 2016)



35,151,728
people living across Canada

(Statistics Canada 2016)

Voter Turnout for Registered Electors

	2015	2019
On-reserve	61.5%	51.8%
General population	66.0%	67.0%

In 2019, the voter turnout for registered electors living on reserves was 15.2 percentage points lower than that for the general population. Since Elections Canada began calculating voter turnout for Indigenous populations in 2004, the lowest percentage point difference in turnout between these two groups was observed in the 2015 general election.

Voter Turnout on Reserves by Province and Territory, 2015 and 2019



	2015	2019		2015	2019
Newfoundland	41.4%	35.0%	Manitoba	57.5%	40.6%
Prince Edward Island	73.6%	64.8%	Saskatchewan	67.1%	56.9%
Nova Scotia	66.9%	62.4%	Alberta	58.6%	41.2%
New Brunswick	62.8%	52.2%	British Columbia	67.0%	63.4%
Quebec	41.1%	26.1%	Yukon	59.0%	n/a
Ontario	63.1%	47.3%	Northwest Territories	55.0%	40.4%

Note: No on-reserve communities have been identified in Nunavut.

Voter turnout for registered electors living on reserves decreased across every province in the 2019 general election compared with that of 2015.



DYK? A methodological change was introduced for the 2019 general election to take into account electors who voted by special ballot in their riding or in a different riding. This group was excluded from previous calculations. The addition of this group increases the on-reserve voter turnout for 2019 by 1.6 percentage points.