

RESEARCH: CIVIC ELECTION DATES, VOTER TURNOUT, TOP ISSUES

Election Dates: Yellow Highlights in Below Text are Upcoming 2022

MUNICIPAL ELECTION SCHEDULE IN CANADA

	ELECTION TERM	ELECTION DATE	NEXT ELECTIONS
British Columbia	4 Years	3 rd Saturday of October	October 15, 2022
Alberta	4 Years	3 rd Monday of October for all municipalities, except summer villages where elections take place in July and August	October 20, 2025
Saskatchewan	4 Years	Cities, (southern) Towns and Villages: 2 nd Wednesday in November unless it falls on Remembrance Day Resort Villages: last Saturday of July Northern Municipalities: either the 2 nd last Wednesday of September, the last Wednesday in September or the 1 st Wednesday of October	Cities, (southern) Towns and Villages: November 13, 2024 Resort Villages: July 27, 2024 Northern municipalities (northern towns, villages and hamlets): fall 2024
Manitoba	4 Years	4 th Wednesday of October However the Village of Dunnottar, Victoria Beach and Winnipeg Beach must hold elections on the fourth Friday in July	October 26, 2022
Ontario	4 Years	4 th Monday of October	October 24, 2022
Québec	4 Years	1 st Sunday in November	November 2, 2025
New Brunswick	4 Years	2 nd Monday of May	May 12, 2025
Nova Scotia	4 Years	3 rd Saturday of October	October 19, 2024
Prince Edward Island	4 Years	1 st Monday of November	November 7, 2022 Resort Municipality: August 8, 2022
Newfoundland and Labrador	4 Years	Last Tuesday of September	September 30, 2025
Yukon	3 Years	3 rd Thursday of October	October 17, 2024
Northwest Territories	2, 3 or 4 Years (depending on local bylaw) 4 Years for Tłı̄cho community governments	For a city, town or village and municipal taxing authority: 3 rd Monday in October For a hamlet: 2 nd Monday in December For a Tłı̄cho community government: 2 nd Monday in June For settlement communities or chartered communities: the date set out in the order or charter.	City of Yellowknife: October 17, 2022 Municipalities: October 21, 2024 Hamlets: December 12, 2022 Tłı̄cho community governments: June 9, 2025 Tsiigehtchic chartered community: June 19, 2023 Fort Good Hope chartered community: July 17, 2023
Nunavut	4 Years	4 th Monday in October	October 23, 2023

Last Updated: May 19, 2022

British Columbia

Civic Election Date October 15, 2022

Vancouver

[39% voter turnout rate](#), meaning 61% stayed home or didn't vote!

Top municipal issues: [Housing, affordability top issues for Vancouver voters - Vancouver Is Awesome](#)

1. Housing and affordability
2. Public safety / Crime
3. Environment and climate change
4. Pandemic response and spending

Victoria

Voter turnout [44.85%](#)

[Top Issues:](#)

1. Affordability
2. Crime/public safety
3. Mental health

Alberta

Civic Election Date October 20, 2025

Calgary Voter Turnout [46.38%](#)

1. Mask bylaw (covid-19)
2. Reallocating police funding to mental health (funding to health issues)
3. Water fluoridation

[Everything you need to know about Calgary's municipal election | CBC News](#)

Edmonton

Edmonton 31.5%

[Edmonton municipal election sees highest voter turnout since 2004 | CBC News](#)

[Top Issues:](#)

1. Lowering taxes
2. Snow and ice removal
3. Transit improvements

Saskatchewan

Civic Election date Nov. 13, 2024

Saskatoon

[27.4% voter turnout](#)

[Top Issues](#): Economy/Property Taxes, Policing

Quebec

Civic Election Date: November 2, 2025

Montreal voter [turnout 36.87%](#)

Top Issues:

1. Rental costs and homeownership
2. Environmental questions (protection of green spaces, urban heat islands, single-use plastic regulation, etc.)
3. The economic revival of the downtown area and commercial arteries

[Rapport politique TVA-JdeMtl-Qc \(netdna-ssl.com\)](#) (City's main issues in a Leger poll)

Quebec City

Overall Quebec [municipal voter turnout 38.7%](#)

Top Issues were hard to find in English language media articles but [tourism impacts](#) on the Old Quebec City appeared to be relevant.

Ontario

Civic Election Date October 24, 2022

Toronto [40.9% \(2018\)](#)

[Top Issues](#):

1. Housing

2. Cost of living
3. the economic recovery from COVID-19
4. rising [crime](#)

Ottawa

Voter turnout 42.55%

[2018 Election Results | City of Ottawa](#)

Top Issues:

1. Affordability
2. the environment and climate change
3. the economic recovery from COVID-19

Manitoba

Civic election date Oct. 26, 2022

Winnipeg 42.33%

[42% voter turnout lowest for Winnipeg since 2006 election | CBC News](#)

Top Issues:

Taxes, public safety, transit, road repair (from 2018)

[PowerPoint Presentation \(winnipeg.ca\)](#) -government survey of Winnipeg residents from 2015.

[Candidates profile 2022](#)

Prince Edward Island

Civic election date Nov. 7, 2022

Charlottetown

[58.44%](#) Voter Turnout

Top Issues:

From [Chamber of Commerce](#): greater access to information and transparency and a focus on development.

Not as recent, but a [2014 study](#) found crime, taxes, transit and other issues top of mind for civic voters.

Northwest Territories

Yellowknife:

Civic election date: City of Yellowknife October 17, 2022

Municipalities Oct. 21, 2024

Voter Turnout [56%](#)

Taxes, [downtown revitalization](#), social [issues](#).

Nova Scotia

Civic Election Date: October 19, 2024

Halifax

[Voter turnout 39%](#), up from 33%.

Although a recent poll on top issues was unavailable, [letters to the editor](#) indicate that taxes, crime, and climate appear to be topical in Halifax.

New Brunswick

Civic Election Date: May 12, 2025

Fredericton

Voter Turnout [30.35%](#)

Top Issues: Local government reform, retaining & [growing the population](#) & social issues

Newfoundland & Labrador

Civic Election Date: Sept. 30, 2025

St. John's

[30.35% voter turnout](#)

[Voter Turnout](#) provincially was 47.1 percent of registered voters

[Top Issues:](#)

Drinking Water

Regionalization
Infrastructure improvement

Yukon

Civic Election Date Oct. 17, 2024

Whitehorse:

[31% voter turnout](#)

[Top issues:](#)

Federal funding decreases

Extreme fatigue, mental health issues, low morale and more alcohol and drug use in their communities.

Nunavut

Civic Election Date October 23, 2023.

Iqaluit

[46.42% voter turnout](#)

[Top Issues:](#)

Water and sewage infrastructure

Potable drinking water shortage

Building business relationships