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Advance voter turnout

TORONTO, February 24, 2025 – Preliminary figures show that **678,789** voters cast their ballot over three days of advance voting in this year's general election, representing **6.14%** of eligible voters in Ontario. This marks a change from previous elections. In 2022, **1,066,545** voters (9.92% of eligible voters) voted over 10 days, while in 2018, **698,609** voters (6.8%) cast their ballot over five days of advance voting.

With election day just around the corner, voters still have time to vote. You can cast your ballot at your local election office until February 26.

Everyone voting on election day is encouraged to check their assigned voting location before they go to vote by entering their postal code in Voter Information Service at <u>elections.on.ca</u>, by downloading the Elections Ontario app or by consulting their Voter Information Card, which has been mailed to all registered voters.

Voter Information Cards are intended to make the process easier on election day, but they are not a requirement to vote. Every Canadian citizen who is 18 years of age or older on February 27 and who is an Ontario resident is eligible to vote.

Quote

"Thank you to all voters who participated in advance voting and to the dedicated staff who worked to keep the voting process in Ontario safe, efficient, and secure. If you haven't cast your ballot yet, there's still time—visit your local election office or vote on election day."

- Greg Essensa, Chief Electoral Officer of Ontario

Important Dates

• Until February 26 - Vote before election day at your local election office, or request a home visit, until 6 PM (local time) on February 26. Visit <u>elections.on.ca</u> for more information.



- Until February 26 Assistive Voting Technology is available at all local election offices.
- February 27 Vote on election day from 9 AM to 9 PM Eastern Time or 8 AM to 8 PM Central Time. Visit <u>voterinformationservice.elections.on.ca</u> to find your voting location. Assistive voting is available at your local election office by appointment.
- February 27 Voters' completed mail-in ballots must be received at Elections Ontario by 6 PM (Eastern Time) to be counted.

Political Advertising & Election Surveys

- February 26 to 27 Political advertising blackout in effect.
- February 27 Election surveys that have not previously been made public may not be published from 12:01 AM to 9 PM (local time).

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