



Pre-Election Fact Sheet: 2024 Parliamentary Election

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United Kingdom



THE 2024 ELECTION

Election Date: 4 July 2024

Incumbent Head of State:

King Charles III

Incumbent Head of Government:

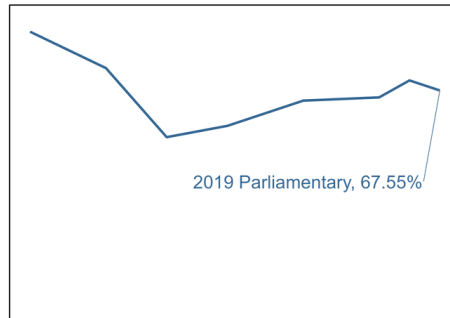
Prime Minister Rishi Sunak

Incumbent Head of Government Party:

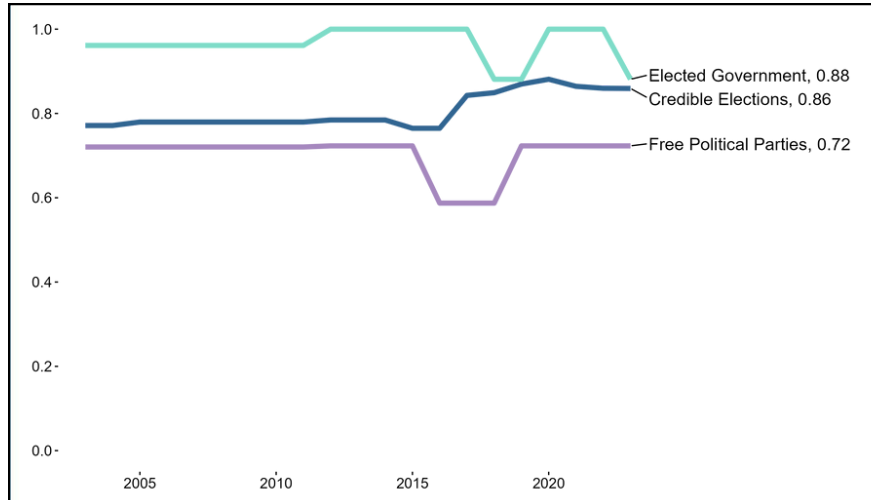
Conservative Party

Compulsory voting? No

PAST VOTER TURNOUT



Global State of Democracy Indices data 2003 - 2023



ELECTORAL PROCESS

Electoral system for lower or single chamber:

First Past the Post

Voter registration:

Created by the EMB using its own data collection and/or other sources of data

Out-of-Country Voting: Yes

Special Voting Arrangements:

Yes, postal and proxy



WOMEN'S REPRESENTATION

Legislated gender quotas?

Single/lower house: No

Upper house: No

Proportion of women in legislature (2024):

Single/lower house: 225 of 649 seats (34.7%)

Upper house: 228 of 785 seats (29.0%)

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End of 15-year-limit on voting rights enfranchises overseas voters



Global Ranking in Representation

The Representation category comprises six factors to measure contested and inclusive elections, including Credible Elections, Free Political Parties and Elected Government.



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Note: Based on 2023 data, showing ranking change over 1 year. See the full country rankings.

Additional Resources

[The Electoral Commission United Kingdom](#)

[The ACE Electoral Knowledge Network](#)

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