Saskatchewan Election Summary

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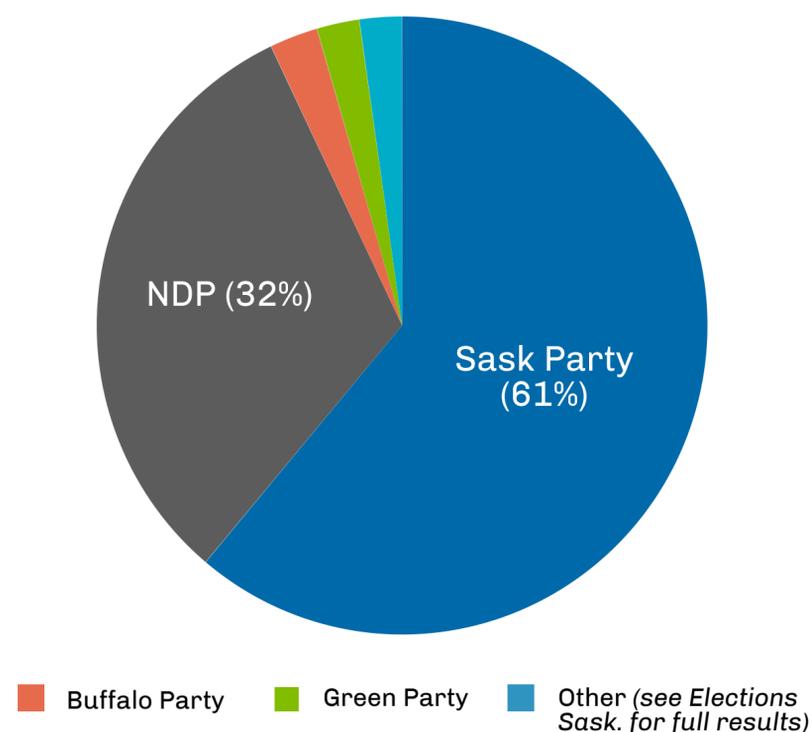
Overview

Saskatchewan Party maintains a majority

On **October 26, 2020**, with 61 legislative seats on the line, Saskatchewanians headed to the polls to vote.

On the Ballot:
- Premier Scott Moe (incumbent) of the Saskatchewan Party ('Sask. Party'), the province's 'long-term ruling party'
- Party Leader Ryan Meili of the New Democratic Party (NDP), the province's primary opposition party

Election Results

The Sask. Party held its majority and picked up two additional seats. Despite polls showing high public demand for a stronger opposition party, **the opposition NDP saw no change in its number of seats.**

This is the third straight election in which the Sask. Party has won more than 60% of the vote.

2020 Legislative Assembly Composition

Sask. Party (48)

NDP (13)

Final Count of Popular Vote
November 7, 2020

Sask Party (61%)

NDP (32%)

Buffalo Party   Green Party   Other *(see Elections Sask. for full results)*

COVID-19 Procedures

With active cases at 650 on election day, Elections Saskatchewan put in place measures to ensure voters' safety at the polls.

Mail-In Ballots
Over 40,000 people voted by mail

Mask Policies
Masks recommended, but not required

PPE For Poll workers
5k+ shields and 400k+ masks purhcased

Hygiene
Government hygiene guidelines followed

Voters Top Policy Concerns

According to the Angus Reid Institute, these were the top three issues for voters:

Healthcare   **38%**

Economy   **35%**

Resource Issues (Oil/Gas)   **28%**

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