

2025 Edmonton Election Interim Report

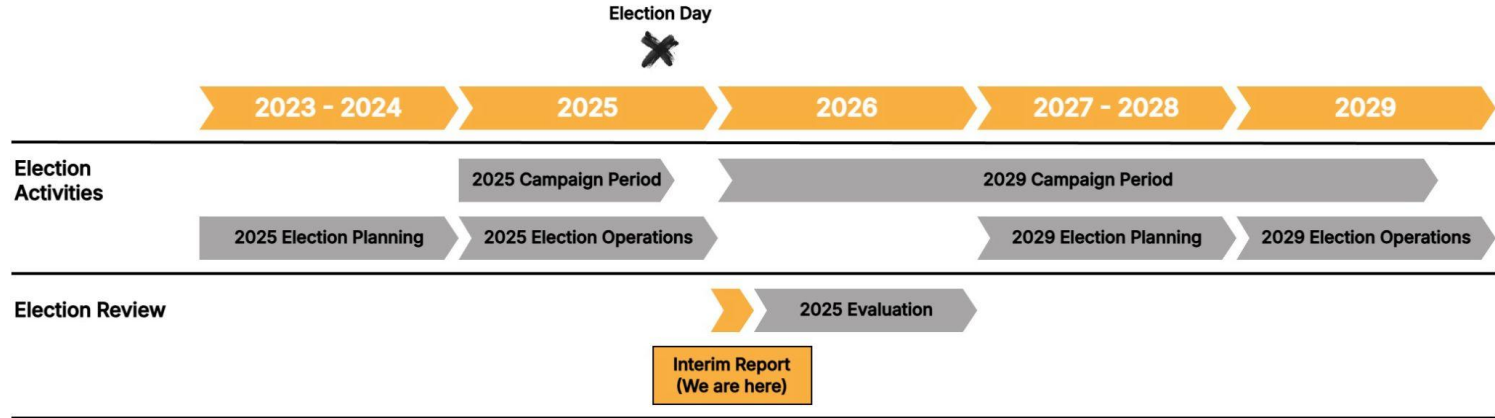
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Election Timelines



Election Landscape

Election Day


		2024	2025
Local Authorities Election Act	Bill 20 Introduced: Apr 25, 2024 Bill 20 Into Force: Oct 31, 2024 Bill 50 Introduced: Apr 8, 2025 Bill 54 Introduced: Apr 29, 2025 Bills 50 & 54 Into Force: May 15, 2025	 Bill 20	 Bills 50 & 54
Local Authorities Election Forms Regulation	Amended: Jan 31, 2025 MA Direction Form 13: Jun 23, 2025 MA Guidance Bills 50 & 54: Aug 11, 2025		 Amended  MA Direction
Local Political Parties and Slates Regulation	Introduced: Oct 18, 2024 Amended: May 21, 2025	 New	 Amended
Expense Limits Regulation	Introduced: Oct 18, 2024 Amended: July 16, 2025	 New	 Amended
Elections Bylaw 21014	Passed: Dec 12, 2024 Amended: May 21, 2025	 New	 Amended
Other Events	Federal Election: Apr 28, 2025 Postal Strike: Sep 25 - Oct 10, 2025 Teachers Strike: Oct 6 - 29, 2025		 Federal Election  Postal & Teacher Strikes

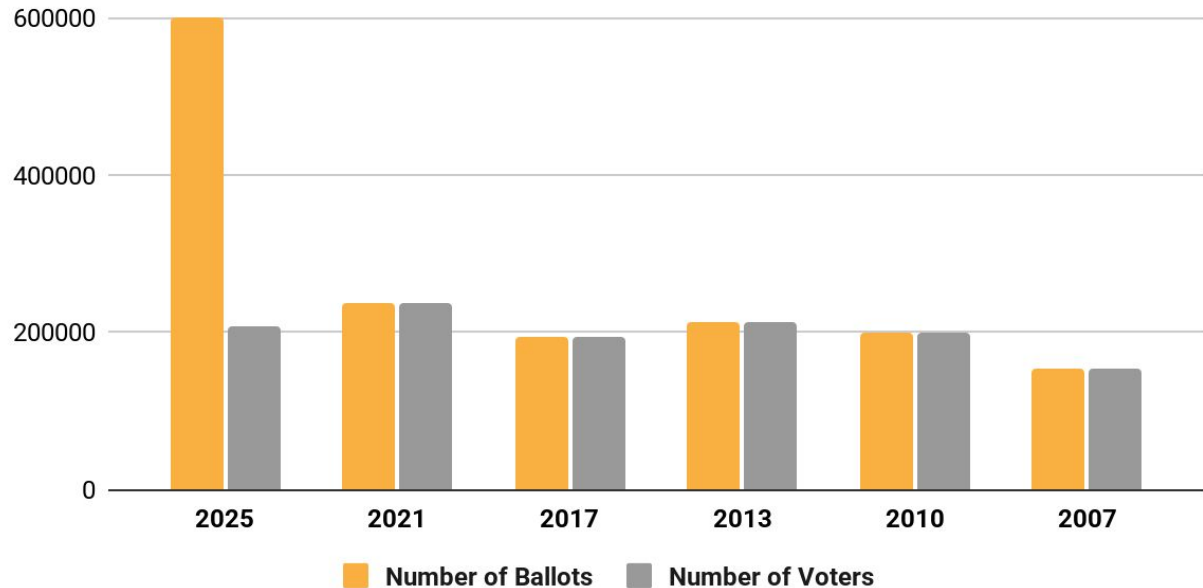
Initial Themes from the Analysis

- Wait times at voting stations
- Gaps in training for some election workers
- Complexity in election processes and forms
- Challenges with the new systems used at voting stations



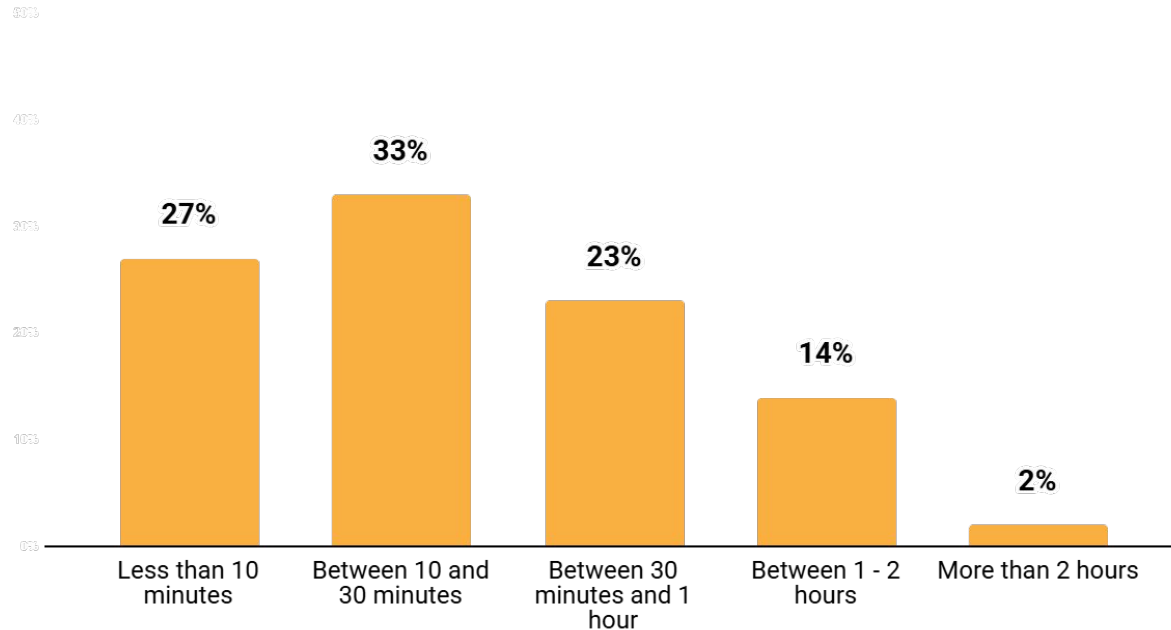
Election Turnout and # of Ballots

Edmonton Election Ballots and Voters 2007 - 2025



Voting Experience

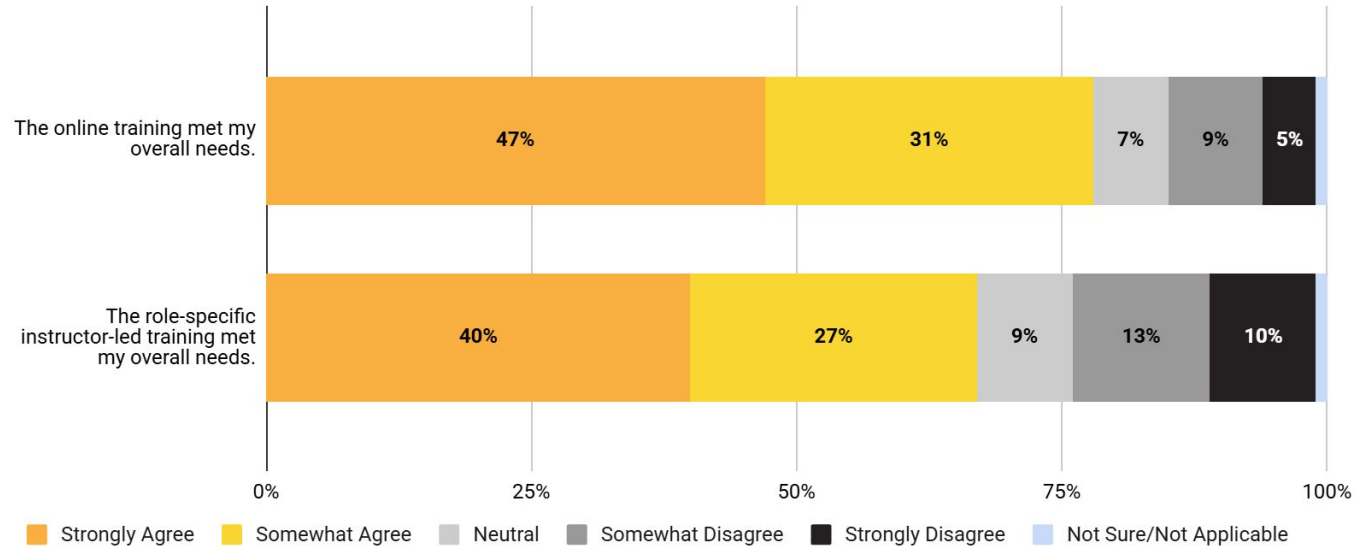
Self reported time taken to complete voting



Note: Percentages do not add up to 100% due to rounding

Election Worker Training

Training Satisfaction by Component



Initial Survey Results

- **Process Complexity:** 15% of surveyed voters expressed frustration with complex forms, verification steps, and multi-station workflows
- **Technology Usability:** 22% of election workers found the system implemented to support the new electronic Elector Register challenging
- **Ballot Accounting Difficulty:** 22% of election workers found ballot accounting procedures difficult.



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Election Staffing

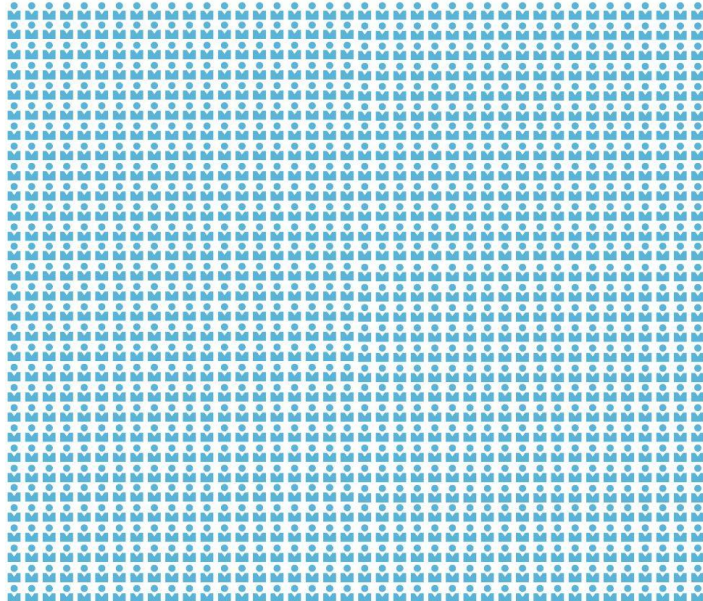
**Core
Election Team**
Jan - Jun 24
4 People

**Core
Project Team**
Jun 24 - Mar 25
16 People

**Extended
Project Team**
Apr - Sept 25
60 People

**Advance Vote
& Election Day**
Oct 7-11 & 20
5500 People

**Post
Election Team**
Jan - Sept 2024
7 People



Current and Future Actions

- **Detailed Analysis:** Conduct rigorous, in-depth analysis, utilizing tools like root cause workshops and external reviews, to understand the underlying factors contributing to the initial findings.
- **Final Report & Action Plan:** Develop a comprehensive Final Election Review Report that identifies lessons learned and outlines a clear Action Plan for improvements.
- **Implementation:** Formally embed the Action Plan into Edmonton Elections' annual operating plans from 2026 to 2028, creating a clear roadmap for a more efficient and successful 2029 Election.



Thank you



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