



LOCAL ELECTIONS 2019

(NORTHERN IRELAND)

A STATISTICAL PROFILE

MAIN TAKEAWAYS

Compared to LE2014:

COUNCILLORS (CLLRs) ELECTED

LE2019 compared to LE2014



DUP The Democratic Unionist Party (DUP) remains the largest party in terms of elected Councillors, but lost 6.2% of its seats (down 8

to 122).

Sinn Féin maintained its number

of Councillors (105) and remains the 2nd largest party in Local Government in NI.

The Ulster Unionist Party (UUP) and the Social Democratic and Labour Party (SDLP) lost Councillors, down 13 (14.8%) and 7 (10.6%) respectively.

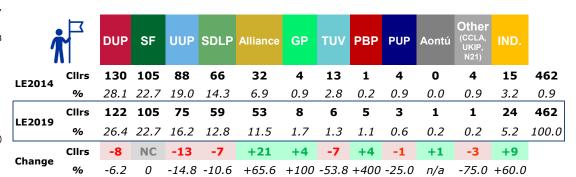
The traditional four main parties won 361 seats, down 28. Those parties hold 78.1% of all seats (down from 84.2% in 2014).

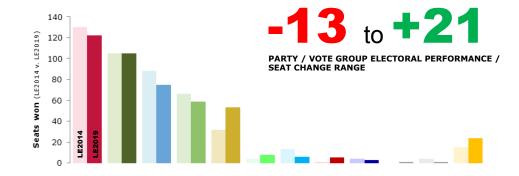
The **Alliance Party of NI** increased its representation by 65.6% (up 21 to 53).

The People Before Profit (PBP)
Alliance increased its number of
Councillors by 4 to 5.

In their first Local Election, 1
Councillor was elected for **Aontú**.

122 female Councillors were elected, representing 26.4% of the total (compared to 116 in the previous election, 25.1%).





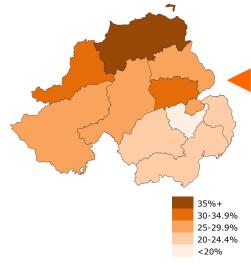
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Belfast Council has the highest number of female Councillors elected to it numerically (17 of 60) but it is 4th in the ranking by proportional representation (**28.3%**).

The number of female Councillors elected to Coast & Glens District Council was (proportionally) the highest in Northern Ireland with 15 elected of 40 (37.5%).

The lowest female representation (proportionally) is in Lisburn & Castlereagh with 6 female Councillors elected of 40 (15%).

Female representation is over 30% and above the EU average (32%) in **2 DCs.**



FEMALE REPRESENTATION

(Female Councillors elected per District Council)

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FEMALE COUNCILLORS ELECTED

26.4%

OF TOTAL COUNCILLORS ELECTED

+6 (+5.2%)

COMPARED TO LE2014 RESULT (116)

Rank (of 11)	District Council	Cllrs Elected	Female Clirs	%
1	Causeway Coast & Glens	40	15	37.5
2	Derry & Strabane	40	13	32.5
3	Antrim & Newtownabbey	40	12	30
9	Ards & North Down	40	9	22.5
10	Armagh, Banbridge and Craigavon	41	9	22.0
11	Lisburn & Castlereagh	40	6	15
	N. Ireland	462	122	26.4

	Clirs Elected	Clirs Elected	Female Clirs
Aontú	1	1	100
ALL.	53	21	39.6
SDLP	59	21	35.6
SF	105	37	35.2
GP	8	2	25
PBP	5	1	20
DUP	122	23	18.9
UUP	75	14	18.7
IND.	24	2	8.3
TUV	6	0	0
PUP	3	0	0
Other	1	0	0
	462	122	26.4
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The traditional four main parties won 73.4% of FPVs, and were the leading parties in 74 of 80 DEAs.

The DUP received the highest FPV in NI (24.1%) and in 42 of 80 DEAs and 6 DCs.

Sinn Féin received the 2nd highest FPV (23.2%) and the highest FPV in 27 DEAs and 5 DCs.

The **UUP** received the 3rd highest FPV (14.1%) and the highest FPV in 2 DEAs.

The **SDLP** received the 4th highest FPV (12%) and the highest FPV in 3 DEAs.

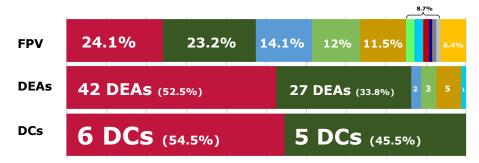
The **Alliance Party** received the 5th highest FPV (11.5%) and the highest FPV in 5 DEAs.

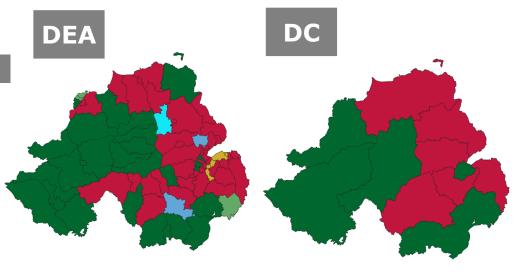
Traditional Unionist Voice (TUV) received the 6th highest FPV (2.2%) and the highest FPV in 1 DEA.

	FPV	DEAs	DCs
DUP	24.1	42	6
SF	23.2	27	5
UUP	14.1	2	0
SDLP	12.0	3	0
Alliance	11.5	5	0
TUV	2.2	1	0
Green NI	2.1	0	0
PBP	1.4	0	0
Aontú	1.1	0	0
PUP	0.8	0	0
Other	1.0	0	0
IND.	6.4	0	0
		80	11

HIGHEST FIRST PREFERENCE VOTE (FPV) SHARE in each District Electoral Area (DEA) and District Council (DC)

Highest FPV share overall and number / percentage DEAs/DCs where party/group had highest FPV





MAIN TAKEAWAYS

In terms of DCs, turnout was **highest** for elections to Fermanagh & Omagh Council (62.4%) and **lowest** in Ards & North Down (43.6%).

In terms of DEAs, the **highest** turnout was in Erne East (Fermanagh & Omagh Council) at 71.6%. The **lowest** turnout was in Bangor Central (Ards & North Down Council) at 41%.

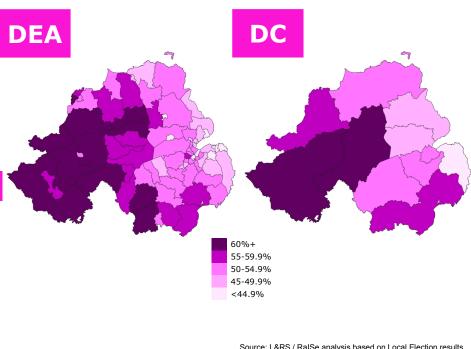
52.7%

OVERALL TURNOUT

Rank (of 11)	District Council (DC)	Turnout	Rank (of 80)	District Electoral Area (DEA)	Turnout
1	Fermanagh & Omagh	62.4	1	Erne East (Fermanagh & Omagh)	71.6
2	Mid Ulster	60	2	Erne West (Fermanagh & Omagh)	69.0
3	Derry & Strabane	57.2	3	Mid Tyrone (Fermanagh & Omagh)	65.3
9	Antrim & Newtownabbey	49.1	78	Titanic (Belfast)	42.6
10	Mid & East Antrim	48.1	79	Newtownards (Ards & North Down)	41.4
11	Ards & North Down	43.6	80	Bangor Central (Ards & North Down)	41.0
-	N. Ireland	52.7		N. Ireland	52.7

TURNOUT

In each District Electoral Area (DEA) and District Council (DC)



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