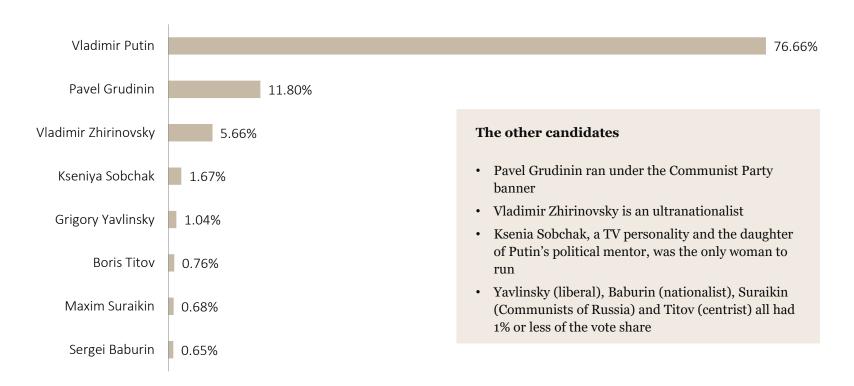
Putin overwhelmingly and unsurprisingly wins Russian presidential election

Vote share of Russian presidential candidates

99.8% OF POLLING STATIONS REPORTING



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Putin, elected to serve another six-year term, will be Moscow's longest-serving leader since Soviet dictator Josef Stalin

Key facts about the 2018 Russian presidential election



As of March 19 at 9:00 a.m., voter turnout was at 67.49% with President Putin receiving 76.66% of the vote



The election was held on the four year anniversary of the invasion of Crimea, a territory of Ukraine that has historic ties to Russia

"I thank you very much indeed for being passionate about the future of your country and making effort as voters. This is a great civic contribution... In our opinion, the election was as transparent as possible. Everyone interested in it had multiple opportunities to observe it in different ways. At least my colleagues and I have tried to make it convenient to the maximum for observers to make their proper judgment."

- Ella Pamfilova, chairperson of the Central Election Commission (CEC), speaking to Russian voters

The Russian CEC will wait 10 days after signing the record of the Russian presidential election results to publish the official and full records of all election commissions and upload them to the CEC website



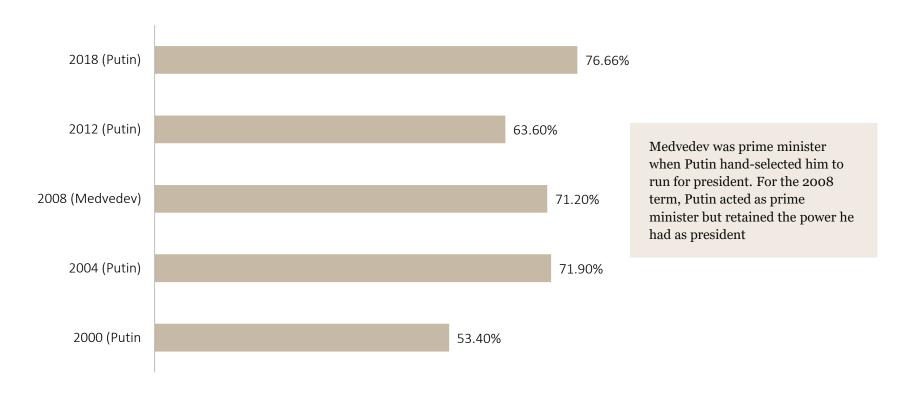
Putin denied he would run again in 2030, his next eligible term due to two-consecutive-term limit. He deflected any comments about a modification to the constitution to stay in power past 2024

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This year Putin had the highest vote share of the past five Russian presidential elections

Presidential vote share in the past five Russian presidential elections



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