

How will Tamil Nadu vote in 2021?

Election Adda 2021

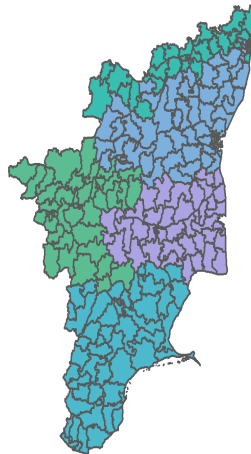
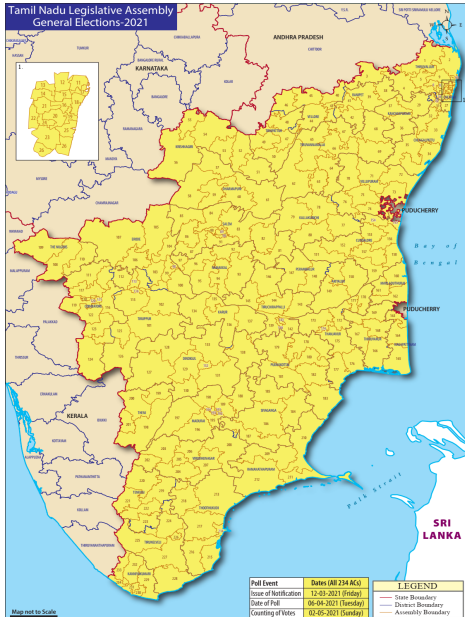
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Tamil Nadu Legislative Assembly
General Elections-2021



- Cauvery Delta
- North Central
- South
- Upper North
- West

Sub-region demographics

Sub region	n_ac	Districts	
Upper North	42	Tiruvallur, Chennai, Kanchipuram, Vellore, Krishnagiri	Hindus - 88 SC - 17
North Central	54	Dharmapuri, Salem, Tiruvannamalai, Villupuram, Cuddalore	Hindus - 93 SC - 22
Cauvery Delta	42	Karur, Karur, Tiruchirappalli, Pudukkottai, Perambalur, Ariyalur, Nagapattinam, Thanjavur, Tiruvarur	Hindus - 89 SC - 23
West	42	Namakkal, Erode, Tirupur, Nilgiris, Coimbatore, Dindigul	Hindus - 91 SC - 18
South	54	Sivaganga, Madurai, Theni, Virudhunagar, Ramanathapuram, Thoothukudi, Tirunelveli, Kanniyakumari	Hindus - 83 SC - 15

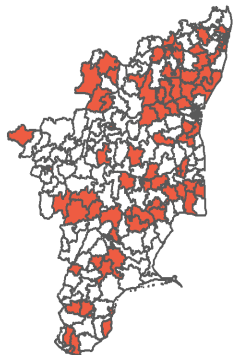
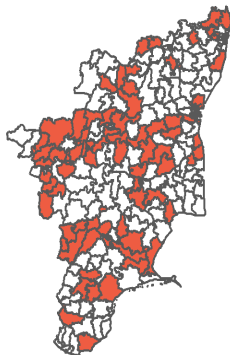
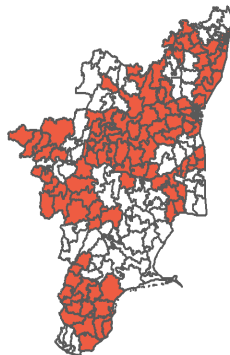
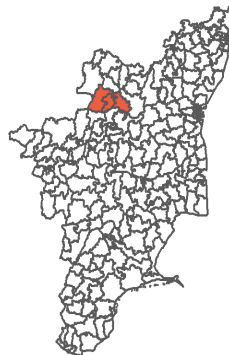
Changing alliances

Year	ADMK+	DMK+	Others	Others
2021	AIADMK, PMK, BJP, TMC	DMK, INC, Left, VCK, MDMK	AMMK, DMDK	MNM
2019	AIADMK, BJP, PMK, DMDK	DMK, INC, Left, VCK, MDMK, IUML	AMMK	MNM
2016	AIADMK	DMK, INC	DMDK, MDMK, Left, TMC, VCK	PMK
2011	AIADMK, DMDK, Left	DMK, INC, PMK, VCK	BJP	MNM

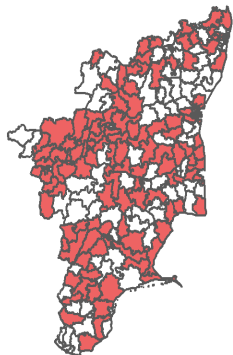
Alliance vote shares

Year	ADMK Alliance	DMK Alliance
2001 VS	50.1	38.7
2004 LS	51.5	34.8
2006 VS	40.1	44.8
2009 LS	37.3	42.5
2011 VS	51.8	39.4
2014 LS	44.2	23.5
2016 VS	40.8	39.8
2019 LS	31.3	52.4

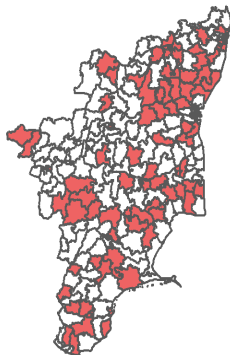
	Total seats	AIADMK		DMK+	
		Seats won	Vote share (%)	Seats won	Vote share (%)
Upper North	45	23	40.2	22	40.1
North Central	55	27	37.2	28	37.9
Cauvery Delta	39	23	42.9	16	41.1
West	42	32	44.4	10	39.6
South	51	29	40.9	22	40.8
Reserved Seats	46	32	42.8	14	38.9
General Category Seats	188	102	40.3	84	40.0
Rural Seats	90	49	40.0	41	39.6
Semi-Urban Seats	75	51	42.2	23	39.6
Urban Seats	69	34	40.3	34	40.1

2016 AC
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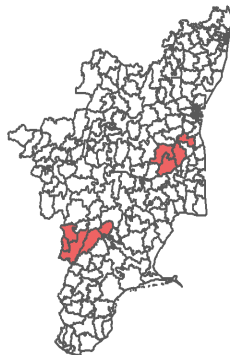
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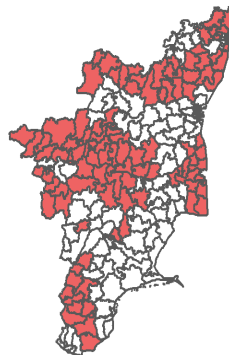
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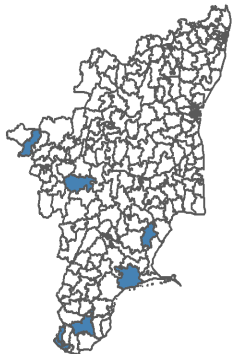
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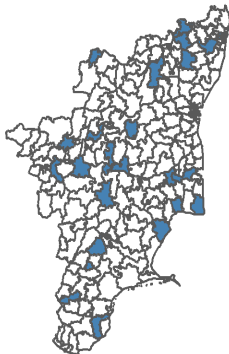
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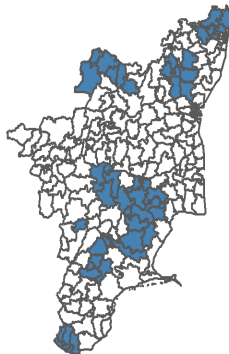
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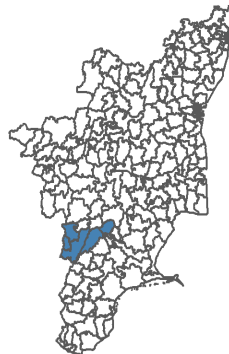
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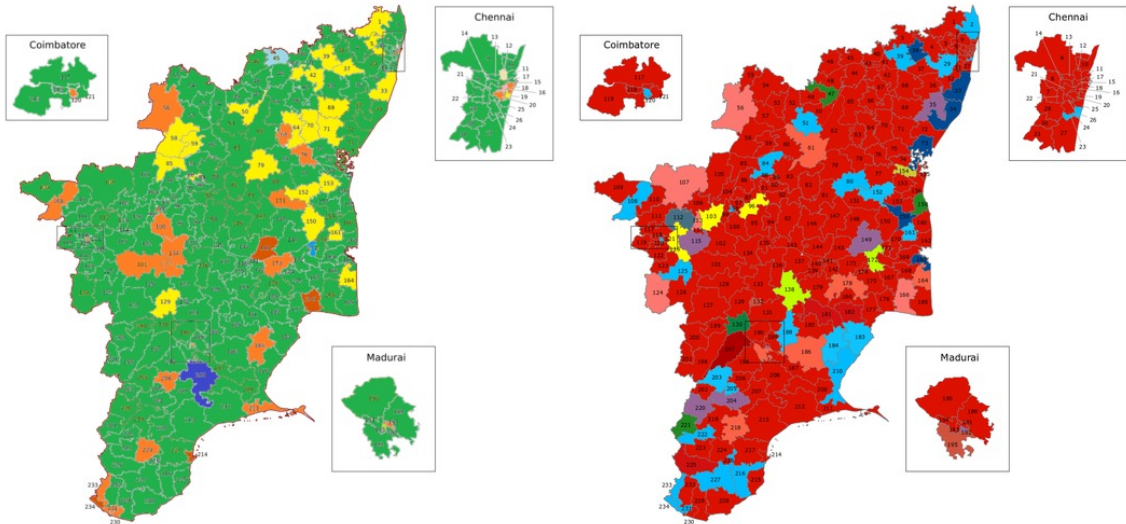
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2021 Seats allotment



Caste-wise voting pattern

Caste/Community	DMK-Cong+ (%)	AIADMK-BJP+ (%)	AMMK (%)	Others (%)
Upper caste	53	33	3	11
Thevar	34	25	34	7
Gounder (Dominant Peasant caste)	62	21	7	11
Mudaliars	58	31	10	2
Vanniyars	51	40	3	6
Other OBC	45	32	12	10
SC	66	24	5	5
ST	60	37	-	3
Muslim	82	4	10	4

Dinakaran effect?

Type of voter	Dhinakaran group is the real AIADMK (%)	Palaniswami-Paneerselvam group is the real AIADMK (%)	Both groups are the real AIADMK (%)	Neither groups is the real AIADMK (%)	No response (%)
Overall	17	32	5	30	6
2014 AIADMK voters	21	28	5	34	13
Pre 2014 AIADMK voters	25	27	7	31	9

Source: Lokniti-CSDS Survey

Type of voter	Voted DMK-Cong+ in 2019 (%)	Voted AIADMK-BJP+ in 2019 (%)	Voted AMMK in 2019 (%)	Voted Others in 2019 (%)
2014 AIADMK voters	40	37	17	5
2014 DMK voters	89	6	2	3

Source: Lokniti-CSDS Survey

Women voters in absence of Jaya

