

Parliament name	Albanian Parliament
Structure of parliament	Unicameral
BACKGROUND	
Dates of election / renewal (from/to)	23 June 2013
Purpose of elections	<p>The "Alliance for a European Albania" (ASHE), a 37-party opposition coalition, won the elections taking 82 seats in the 140-member Parliament against 57 for Prime Minister Sali Berisha's "Alliance for Employment, Prosperity and Integration (APMI)". The APMI comprised 25 parties and was led by the Prime Minister's Democratic Party of the Albanians (PD). The ASHE was led by Mr. Edi Rama, former Mayor of the capital Tirana, and included his Socialist Party of Albania (PSS) and the Socialist Movement for Integration (LSI), which supported Mr. Berisha's government until April 2013.</p> <p>The ASHE and the APMI, both pro-European, ran on the similar platform, promising job creation, economic development and tax reform. Prime Minister Berisha - who had served as the first post-communist president from 1992 to 1997 □ was seeking a third consecutive term as Prime Minister. Following the elections, he conceded defeat and stepped down as PD leader.</p> <p>On 31 July, Mr. Rama announced a Cabinet comprising members of the PSS and the LSI. On 8 August, President Bujar Nishani (PD) issued a decree convening the newly elected Parliament on 9 September.</p>
Date of previous elections: 28 June 2009	
Date of dissolution of the outgoing legislature: N/A	
Timing of election: Upon normal expiry	
Expected date of next elections: June 2017	
Number of seats at stake: 140 (full renewal)	
Number of candidates: Over 6,900	
Percentage of women candidates: Not available.	
Number of parties contesting the election: 66	
Number of parties winning seats: 7	
Alternation of power: Yes	
Number of parties in government: 2	
Names of parties in government: Socialist Party of Albania (PSS) and Socialist Movement for Integration (LSI)	
Date of the first session of the new parliament: 9 September 2013	
Name of the new Speaker: Mr. Ilir Meta (Socialist Movement for Integration, LSI)	
STATISTICS	
Voter turnout	
Round no 1	23 June 2013

Number of registered electors	3'271'885
Voters	1'744'261 (53.31%)
Blank or invalid ballot papers	
Valid votes	

Notes

Distribution of seats

Round no 1	
Political Group	Total
Socialist Party of Albania (PSS)	66
Democratic Party of Albania (PD)	50
Socialist Movement for Integration (LSI)	15
Party for Justice and Integration (PDI)	4
Republican Party (PR)	3
Unity for Human Rights Party (PBDNJ)	1
Christian Democratic Party of Albania (PDK)	1

Distribution of seats according to sex

Men	115
Women	25
Percent of women	17.86%

Distribution of seats according to age

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Distribution of seats according to profession

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Comments

Sources:
Parliament (29.08.2013, 01.01.2014, 23.06.2016)
<http://www.idea.int/vt/countryview.cfm?id=7>

Note on the distribution of seats according to political parties.
The Alliance for a European Albania (ASHE) comprised the following parties.
- Socialist Party of Albania (PSS): 66
- Socialist Movement for Integration (LSI): 15
- Union for Human Rights Party (PBDNJ): 1

The Alliance for Employment, Prosperity and Integration (APMI) comprised the following parties.
- Democratic Party of the Albanians (DPA): 50
- Party for Justice, Integration and Unity (PDI): 4
- Republican Party (PR): 3