

# In Photos: Voting Begins in Russia's Regional, Local Elections

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Voting is underway in dozens of Russian regions and municipalities, as well as in the Moscow-annexed regions of Ukraine, for a variety of regional and city leadership positions. The multi-day elections, which come during the 19th month of the war on Ukraine and a sweeping crackdown on political dissent, are being closely watched for any surprise upsets for the ruling party. They are also seen by many observers as a test run for the March 2024 presidential election. Here is a look at photos from the voting across the country and the occupied Ukrainian territories:



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