



Election Summary and CIAG Survey - What Went Wrong in 2024?



Dear Supporter,

With the 2024 Elections, and the national horse trading over (for now), it is a good time to analyse some of the results.

In addition to this, the CIAG is currently conducting a survey to determine why people voted the way that they did in 2024. We have been asked by them to help out and assist in the distribution of the survey, which we are happy to do.

As for the election results, they were disappointing for Cape independence (in the short term) for a few reasons.

First and foremost, the IEC blocked the Cape Independence Party from contesting the 2024 elections based on a legal technicality.

As is well known, our IEC webportal was dysfunctional, so we were forced to submit our vast number of signatures to them via email. The IEC ruled that we were not allowed to submit our documents to them via email, and that we could only submit via their online webportal, or physically, in person in Gauteng. Neither of these were reasonable or possible options for us, and based upon this, they prevented us from contesting the elections.

As a result, simply based upon the number of votes we received across the Western Cape in the 2021 Elections (*19,180 votes - CPT ranking: 10th out of 54 parties. W.Cape ranking: 11th out of 97 parties*) and from the 2019 Elections (*9,331 votes - W.Cape ranking: 9th out of 34 parties*), with huge positive growth following every election we have ever contested since 2009 (*+30% to over +300%*), and consistently ranking in the Top 10, we would have been comfortably in contention to win a seat in the Western Cape government in these 2024 elections.

Sadly this was not to be the case this year, but it is onwards and upwards for us into 2026 and beyond. As the only exclusively Cape independence focused party to be represented and to hold seats in government, we are excited and looking forward to continuing to drive decentralisation in all the spheres of government we can, expanding our seats in 2026, and to building even stronger into 2029.

Note: Patricia De Lille's, GOOD Party, was the last party to receive a seat in the Western Cape this year, with 22,207 votes, and a ranking of 9th out of 29 parties.

The second great disappointment of 2024 was the performance of the pro-Cape independence/self-determination parties.

The FF+ is seen not just as a pro-independence/self-determination party, but more broadly as a pro-Afrikaner nationalist party, which should have given them wider appeal, however this was not the case. Quite the contrary, the FF+ took significant losses in the election, losing half of their voter base by dropping around 200,000 votes nationally, and going from 10 seats in National Government to 6 seats. In spite of the losses, the FF+ managed to hold onto its 1 seat in the Western Cape, with 28,471 votes.

Therefore, with ourselves being blocked by the IEC, the Referendum Party stood as the only exclusively Cape independence focused party on the 2024 ballot. But even with the Cape Independence Party not contesting the elections, they still did not manage to get near the votes that the Cape Independence Party received in the 2021 or 2019 elections, and in comparison to our previous election results, finished significantly lower in the rankings relative to all parties contesting across the Western Cape, with 5,110 votes, and a ranking of 18th out of 29 parties.

Most significantly however, the RP did not manage to make any impact into the electorate by standing on a "pro-DA" platform, in what had been defined as a campaign to target "DA voters". Ultimately, what the RP represented was: *"a vote for the DA - but with a referendum on Cape independence"*.

These results are no doubt disappointing for supporters of Cape independence in the short term, but we believe this provides an opportunity for the Cape independence movement as a whole to avoid distractions, pool its efforts together and for each to focus on areas in which the ultimate goal of a referendum on Cape independence built upon the principles of freedom can be achieved.

We thus look forward to the pathway ahead in the hope that all organisations can work in a manner that is most effective and cohesive for the tasks at hand, and in spite of the outcome, would like to once again thank everyone who made an effort to play their part in the 2024 elections.

With regards to the CIAG survey, if you would like to share your thoughts on the 2024 elections please feel free to do so at the link below, and/or to share with others who might.

CIAG Survey Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Independence-CX>

As regards the year ahead, and beyond, the Cape Independence Party has a number of important projects, as well as court cases and campaigns underway striving to uplift the lives of Cape citizens, and ultimately doing our best to hold the DA and the City of Cape Town to account.

If you would like to find out more and get involved, please feel free to contact us at: cape@capeparty.com

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Cape Independence Party - CAPEXIT Thanks All Volunteers and Supporters

We wish to thank all those who have volunteered getting involved actively with the Cape Independence Party's mission to secure a referendum, those who submitted their signatures as per the new IEC requirements and those who have registered membership, volunteered to stand as candidates, and selflessly made donations.

If you are yet to make your donation, use the SUPPORT US button below. As little as R50 per month from members and supporters who believe in Cape independence, goes a long way towards sharing the financial burden which campaigns and the contesting of elections inevitably brings down upon us.

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