

More than 100 Politicians Killed Ahead of Mexico Elections

At least 130 politicians were [REDACTED] in the lead-up to Mexico's federal [REDACTED] last Sunday, making 2017-18 the most violent election season in Mexico's modern history. Crime against politicians in Mexico is directly related to drug cartels. In addition to murder, Mexican [REDACTED] are often victims of kidnapping and extortion. [REDACTED] politicians who condemn the cartels are at a high risk as are those who collude with them. Two politicians were murdered on election day as left-wing López Obrador won the presidency in a landslide victory. In 2017, [REDACTED] 30,000 people were murdered in Mexico, the nation's highest homicide rate in two decades.