



## Hungary Ratifies Sweden's NATO Membership

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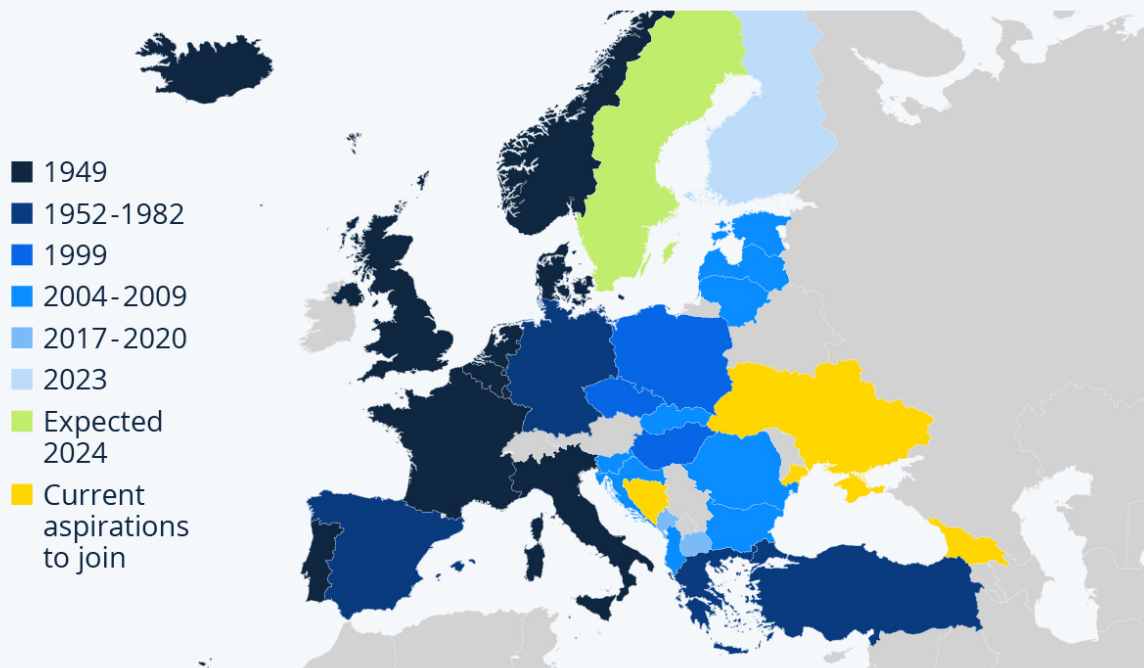
Hungary's parliament voted to **approve Sweden's bid to join the [North Atlantic Treaty Organization \(NATO\)](#)**, making it the 32nd nation to join the alliance.

- NATO, a vital **transatlantic military and political alliance**, ensures **collective security** for its member countries. Established in 1949 by 12 founding nations, with a majority from Europe and North America, it remains a cornerstone of international stability.
- NATO is headquartered at **Boulevard Leopold III in Brussels, Belgium**.
- **Alliances of NATO:**
  - [Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council \(EAPC\)](#)
  - **Mediterranean Dialogue** fosters security and stability in the Mediterranean by enhancing relations between participating countries and NATO Allies.
  - **Istanbul Cooperation Initiative (ICI)** offers non-NATO countries in the broader Middle East region the opportunity to cooperate with NATO, aiming to enhance regional security.
- **“NATO plus”** refers to a security arrangement of **NATO and the five treaty allies** of the U.S. — **Australia, New Zealand, Japan, Israel, and South Korea** as members — to enhance **“global defence cooperation”** and win the “strategic competition with the Chinese Communist Party”.
  - **NATO Plus is not an officially recognised or established concept** within NATO.

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# Sweden To Join NATO After Approval From Hungary

European countries by year they joined NATO



Map excludes the United States and Canada, both founding members of NATO.

**Read more:** [North Atlantic Treaty Organization \(NATO\)](https://www.nato.int)

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