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Algerian Independence Day

Algerian Independence Day marks Algeria’s independence from France in 1962. This independence marked the end of the Algerian War which took place from 1954 to 1962.

To celebrate the holiday, Algerians wear the color green and flags are put out around the country in recognition of independence.

Traditional ways of celebrating Algerian Independence Day include military parades, celebrations, and gatherings. Cultural events are also often organized in the national stadium.

In recent years, the holiday has been accompanied by protest, as Algerian citizens used the day as a reminder of how they can continue to improve as a country. In 2019, Algerians took to the streets on the holiday to call for new democratic leadership and protest the arrests of several activists.