

# Bolsonaro guilty of coup attempt

Former Brazilian president Jair Bolsonaro, 70, has been sentenced to 27 years and three months in prison after being found guilty of plotting a military coup to stay in power after losing the 2022 election

## ABRIDGED TIMELINE

■ **Jul 22, 2018:** Former congressman Bolsonaro announces he's running for president

■ **Sep 6:** Stabbed in stomach at campaign rally and hospitalised for three weeks

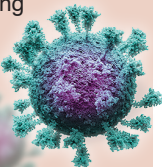


■ **Oct 28:** Wins election, beating **Fernando Haddad**

■ **Jan 1, 2019:** Sworn into office and promptly strips away LGBTQ civil rights and allows indigenous lands to be developed

■ **Jan 28, Sep 8:** Undergoes two further surgeries related to stabbing

■ **Jul 7, 2020:** Tests positive for **Covid-19**, following months of downplaying virus and refusing to wear face mask



*Bolsonaro, aka **Trump of the Tropics**, shares uncanny similarities with U.S. president*

■ **Oct 30, 2022:** Narrowly loses bid for second term in office against **Lula da Silva**



■ **Dec 30:** Arrives in **Florida** for extended stay and further medical treatment

■ **Jan 1, 2023:** Lula da Silva assumes office

■ **Jan 8:** Hundreds of Bolsonaro supporters storm capital **Brasilia**, trashing government buildings



■ **Jan 13:** Investigations begin into Bolsonaro's alleged involvement in Jan 8 insurrection

■ **Mar 30:** Bolsonaro returns to Brazil



■ **Aug 17:** Hacker **Walter Delgatti Neto** testifies that in Aug 2022, Bolsonaro asked him if he could hack voting machines

■ **Feb 8, 2024:** Police make arrests in probe of alleged coup d'état attempt to keep Bolsonaro in power

■ **Feb 18, 2025:** Charged in relation to coup and for allegedly approving plot to kill Lula da Silva

■ **Apr 14:** Undergoes 12-hour abdominal surgery

■ **May 19:** Trial against Bolsonaro and 80 other officials begins

■ **Jul 18:** Police order him to wear electronic ankle tag

■ **Aug 1:** **President Trump** hits Brazil with 50% tariffs in retaliation for Bolsonaro "**witch hunt**"

■ **Sep 11:** Justices sentence Bolsonaro to 27 years in prison