

Riigikogu (Parliamentary) Elections 2011



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Topics

- Electoral system
- Organizing elections
 - Electoral Committees
 - Tasks of NEC
 - Other Activities (Complaints, etc).
- Previous Riigikogu Elections
- Riigikogu Elections 2011
 - Statistics
 - Ways of Voting

Electoral system

- Simple quota and modified d'Hondt method is used
- Open and closed lists
- 5% national threshold
- 12 electoral districts

Elections as a National Event

4000

People organize elections in Estonia – as a side-job

625

Polling divisions across Estonia

Electoral Committees

- 625** Polling division committees
- 17** County electoral committees
- 1** National Electoral Committee

Tasks of NEC

- Issuing decrees about voting
- Training of electoral committees
- ICT solutions management
- Resolving complaints
- Informing voters
- Management and supervision of electoral processes

What does NEC not do?

- Voters' register is held by the Ministry of Internal Affairs
- Criminal/misdemeanor cases are investigated and prosecuted by the Police
- Election campaign costs are overseen by a special committee

Complaints

- There is a 3-day window for filing complaints
- Complaints can cover a procedure or resolution of an electoral committee
- The complaint is reviewed within 3 working days

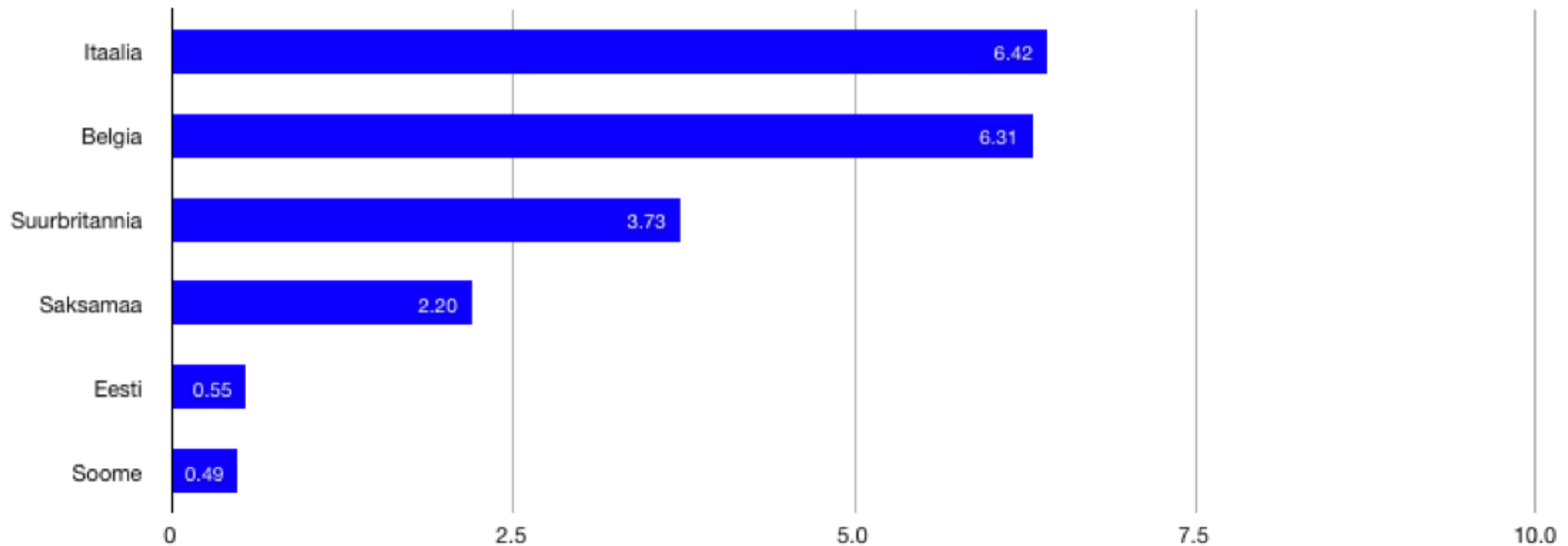
Supreme Court Decisions

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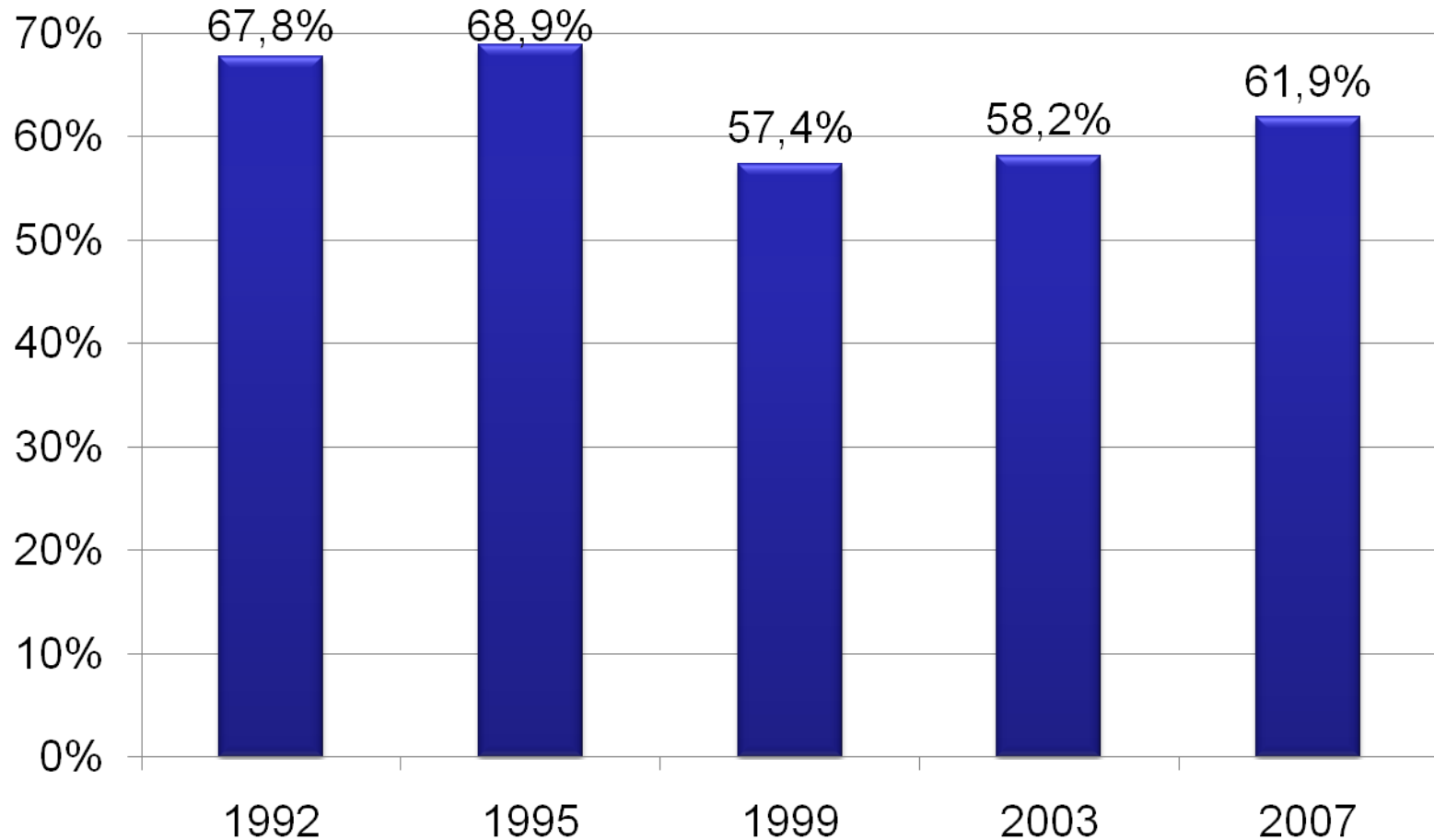
87% pro NEC

Invalid Ballot Papers



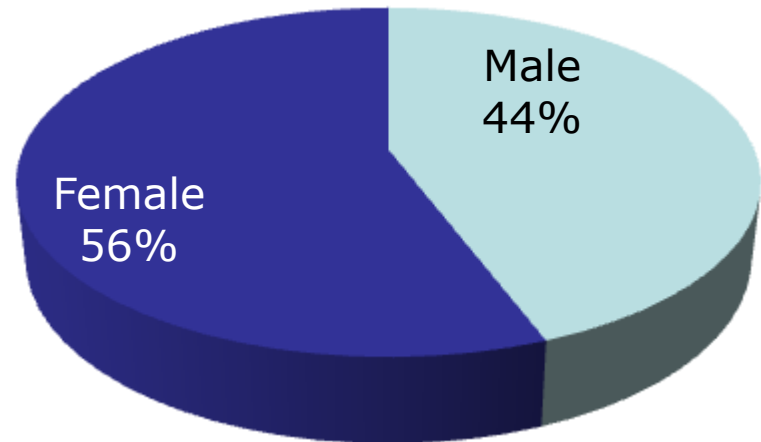
All data about EU Parliament elections 2009

Voter Turnout in Riigikogu Elections



Riigikogu Elections 2011

912 565 Eligible Voters



Riigikogu Elections 2011

789 Candidates

9 Parties

32 Independent
Candidates

13 Ways of Voting












Election Day

- In Polling Division
- At Home

Advance Voting

- In Local Polling Division
- In Another Polling Division
- In Prisons, Hospitals, Military Bases, etc.
- Internet Voting

Time of Voting

<u>E 21.02</u> -	<u>T 22.02</u> -	<u>K 23.02</u> -	<u>N 24.02</u> 	<u>R 25.02</u> 	<u>L 26.02</u> 	<u>P 27.02</u> 
<u>E 28.02</u>  	<u>T 1.03</u>  	<u>K 2.03</u>  	<u>N 3.03</u> -	<u>R 4.03</u> -	<u>L 5.03</u> -	<u>P 6.03</u> 



- Internet voting



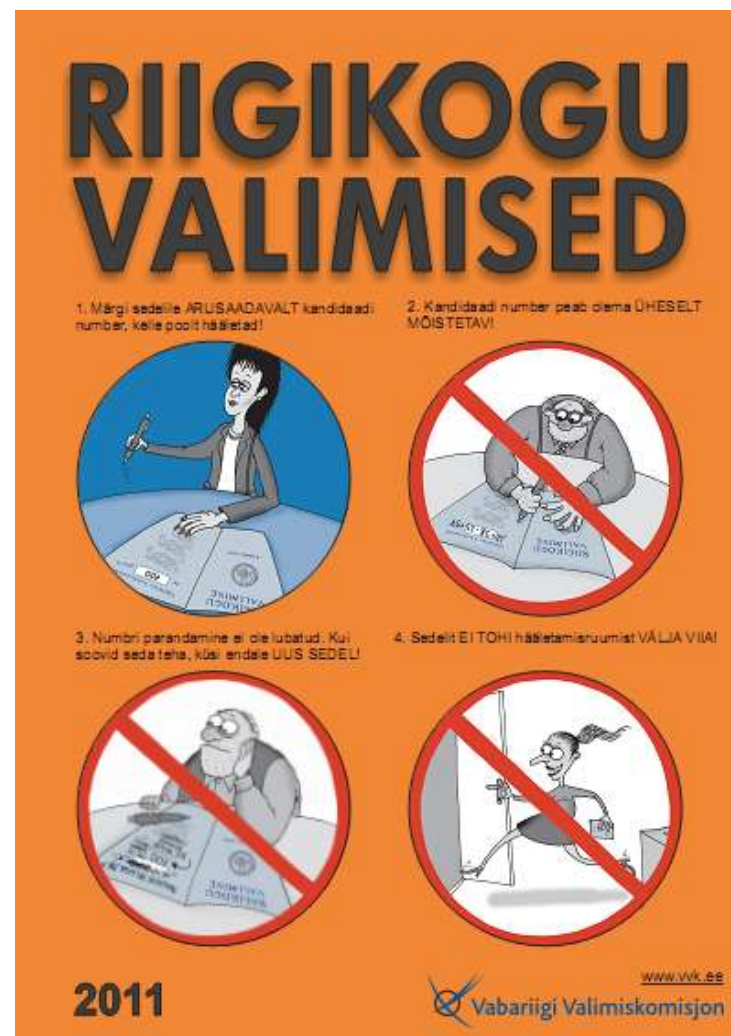
- Polling division voting

Innovation (spring 2011)

- Mobile-ID
- Updated I-voting environment
- New ballot boxes/Other electoral devices
- New Internet learning environment for the staff of electoral committee, observers and voters - koolitus.vvk.ee
- New training courses for the staff of electoral committee
- Media campaign: video clips (Valimiskool)

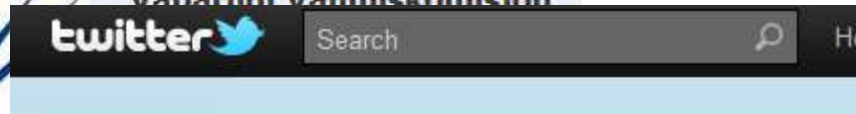
Media campaign (1)

- Traditional media (newspapers, radio, TV)
- Internet and new media (FaceBook, Twitter, YouTube)
- Posters, etc.



Media campaign (2)

Bilingual video clips and posters...



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