

**TABLE 12.1    Average Voter Participation Over 60 Years (All Elections)**

Country	Voter Participation % (All Elections for 60 Years)	Most Recent Parliamentary Election
Italy	92.5	75.2% (2013)
Iceland	89.5	81.4% (2013)
New Zealand	86.2	74.2% (2011)
South Africa	85.5	77.3% (2009)
Austria	85.1	81.7% (2008)
Netherlands	84.8	74.6% (2012)
Australia	84.4	93.2% (2010)
Denmark	83.6	87.7% (2011)
Sweden	83.3	84.6% (2010)
Germany	80.6	70.8% (2009)
United Kingdom	74.9	65.8% (2010)
Argentina	70.6	79.4% (2011)
Japan	69.0	59.3% (2012)
Canada	68.4	61.4% (2011)
France	67.3	55.4% (2012)
Bolivia	61.4	94.6% (2009)
USA	48.3	58.7% (2012)
Mexico	48.1	62.5% (2012)

Source: International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance 2012.

\*The figures are averages of voter participation for all elections since 1945. Note that enfranchisement of women and various ethnic minorities changed in some countries during that time, so these should be viewed as very crude overall indicators of voting patterns.

Note: To see the voting participation figures for 172 countries in the world, go to [www.idea.int/vt/](http://www.idea.int/vt/).