

Relationship between perception of Political Systems and electoral Law

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1 Abstract

1.1 Why this was made

There's a massive body of literature describing the effect of electoral law on Political systems, but it's not been backed with any substantial research regarding the perception of said systems. The aim of this paper is to study said perception, and what systems best seem to fit the actual desire of the people subject to this paper's survey.

1.2 Methodology

The survey 161 answers. The data from these answers has been used to interpret a study from Overseas Development Institute (ODI) [1], which establishes a correlation between the amount of parties present in a political system, and its electoral law.

1.3 Results

From the data gathered, we reached the conclusion that the most suitable electoral law is a straight proportional system, as it seems that the most commonly preferred number of parties from the respondents was of 5, and according to the ODI study, proportional systems result in the most political parties being relevant. The drawback of proportional electoral systems, it's slowness, also was the lowest ranked by the respondents when asked which problem was the least important in government

References

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