

Table III.A.1: National Level Election Results and Seat Distributions (Lower House), 1961-1987

		PCB/KPB	PSB	BSP	PRL	PVV	VU	ECO	AGA	PSC	CVP	VB	Rossem	Total
1961	v	162.238	1.933.424		649.376		182.407			2.182.652				5.265.025
	%	3,1	36,7		12,3		3,5			41,5				
	s	5	84		20		5			96				212
1965	v	236.702	1.465.503		1.120.081		333.409			1.785.211				5.181.935
	%	4,6	28,2		21,6		6,4			34,4				
	s	6	64		48		12			77				212
1968	v	170.625	1.449.172		1.080.894		506.697			488.335	1.154.682			5.177.952
	%	3,3	28		20,9		9,8			9,4	22,3			
	s	5	59		47		20			19	50			212
1971	v	161.517	1.438.626		865.657		586.917			473.626	1.156.678			5.281.633
	%	3,1	27,2		15,1		11,1			9	21,9			
	s	5	61		34		21			21	46			212
1974	v	166.008	1.401.725		294.273	504.545	536.287			478.209	1.222.646			5.258.531
	%	3,2	26,7		5,6	9,6	10,2			9,1	23,3			
	s	4	59		11	19	22			22	50			212
1977	v	118.085	1.507.014		327.348	475.917	559.567			545.055	1.460.757			5.575.058
	%	2,1	27,1		5,9	8,5	10			9,8	26,2			
	s	2	62		14	17	20			24	56			212
1978	v	180.233	720.030	684.961	287.947	572.558	387.988			560.540	1.447.131	75.864		5.536.164
	%	3,3	13	12,4	5,2	10,3	7			10,1	26,1	1,4		
	s	4	32	26	14	22	14			25	57	1		212
1981	v	136.445	742.898	744.582	487.337	776.104	587.545	132.312	138.575	398.342	1.165.239	66.426		5.919.250
	%	2,3	12,6	12,6	8,2	13,1	9,9	2,2	2,3	6,7	19,7	1,1		
	s	2	35	26	24	28	20	2	2	18	43	1		212
1985	v	71.695	834.488	882.200	619.390	651.806	477.755	152.483	226.758	482.254	1.291.244	85.391		6.064.260
	%	1,2	13,8	14,5	10,2	10,7	8	2,5	3,7	8	21,3	1,4		
	s	0	35	32	24	22	16	5	4	20	49	1		212
1987	v	51.093	961.429	914.916	577.897	709.637	494.910	157.985	275.531	491.839	1.195.839	116.410		6.144.975
	%	0,8	15,7	14,9	9,4	11,5	8	2,6	4,5	8	19,5	1,9		
	s	0	40	32	23	25	16	3	6	19	43	2		212
1991	v	5.713	831.206	737.573	501.644	737.988	363.121	312.623	299.589	476.740	1.036.043	405.281	198.192	6.162.662
	%	0,1	13,5	12	8,1	12	5,9	5,1	4,9	7,7	16,8	6,6	3,2	
	s	0	35	28	20	26	10	10	7	18	39	12	3	212

Table III.A.3.i: Subnational Governing Status (Provinces)

	PCB/KPB	PSB	BSP	PSC	CVP	PRL	PVV	VU	ECO	AGA
1960-1967	1	3		5		3		1		
1968-1973	1	4		4	4	3		1		
1974-1976	1	5		4	4	3	3	1		
1977	1	5		3	4	3	3	3		
1978	1	4	3	3	4	3	3	1		
1979	1	4	3	4	4	3	3	1	1	
1980	1	4	3	4	4	3	3	1	1	1
1981-1984	1	4	3	3	4	4	4	1	1	1
1985-1989	1	4	3	3	4	4	3	1	1	1

Codes:

- 1 In no governments at this level.
- 3 In at least one government at this level.
- 4 In many (4 or 5) governments at this level.
- 5 In most governments at this level.

Note:

- a. The regional parties and the divided national parties compete in only 5 out of the 9 provinces. They can never reach the code of 5.

Table III.A.3.ii: Subnational Governing Status (Municipalities)

	PCB/KPB	PSB	BSP	PSC	CVP	PRL	PVV	VU	ECO	AGA
1960-1963	1	5		5		1		1		
1964-1967	1	5		5		3		1		
1968-1969	1	5		4	4	3		1		
1970	1	5		4	4	3		3		
1971-1978	1	5		4	4	3	3	3		
1979	1	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	1	
1980-1981	1	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	1	1
1982-1987	1	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	1	3
1988-1989	1	4	4	4	4	3	3	3	1	1

Codes:

- 1 In no governments at this level.
- 3 In at least one government at this level.
- 4 In many governments at this level.
- 5 In most governments at this level.

Note:

The regional parties and the divided national parties compete in only 5 out of the 9 provinces. They can never reach the code of 5.

Table III.A.5: Official Status of Parties

	Form a Parliamentary Fraktion	Ballot Access	State Subvention	Access to Dutch Speaking Mass Media	Access to French Speaking Mass Media
1960	Kamer: 3 members Senaat: 10 members	a. Candidates must be supported by at least 500 voters in the constituency of Brussels; at least 400 in Gent, Charleroi, Antwerpen and Liege; and at least 200 in the other constituencies. Candidates presented together are considered to form one list. A list cannot contain more candidates than the number of seats in the constituency. b. Every citizen over 21 can make a proposal to unite lists in order to get a common list number in all the constituencies where it is present. Candidates must approve this unification of lists.	No rule	No rule	No rule
1964	As above	As above	As above	As above	Political 'tribunes' of eight minutes each are allocated proportionally according to the number of seats of the groups in the Conseil Culturel. This means program every year for a group with more than 2% of the seats; 2 for more than 5%; 4 for more than 10%; 6 for more than 15%; 8 for more than 20%; 10 for more than 30%; and 12 for more than 40%
1976	As above	a. As above, except candidates may alternatively be supported by three members of the parliament. b. As above, except unification is only possible for lists presented in at least 5 difference provinces. The request must be supported by at least 5 members of the parliament, and mention the name under which the lists will be united. c. Political groups represented in Parliament can ask for protection of their name (maximum six letters). This request must be signed by 5 members of the parliament. The name is put on top of the list on the ballot paper (instead of only the list number).	As above	As above	As above
1979	As above	As above	As above	Every group represented by at least 10 members of the Nederlandse Cultuurraad can create an organization (VZW) that gets the right to make programs on radio and television. (Religious and social groups not represented in the Cultuurraad can also be recognized.) The broadcasting time to be allocated is half the time used by the information programs of the BRT (Dutch-speaking radio and television). Time is allocated equally for 50%, and proportionally (proportion in the Cultuurraad) for the other 50%. Political groups with at least two members in the Cultuurraad can also be recognized. Broadcasting time is then set by the government. These organizations receive subventions from the Cultuurraad, and can use freely the studios and personnel of the BRT.	As above
1982	As above	As above	As above	Every fraktion (3 members) in the Vlaamse Raad can creat a broadcasting organization and ask for recognition.	As above
1989	As above	As above	Have at least one member elected in parliament	As above	As above

Table III.B.1.abc: Numbers of Members and Basic Party Units, PCB/KPB, PSB/BPS

	PCB/KPB		PSB/BSP			
	Members	Basic Units	Members		Branches	
			PSB	BSP	PSB	BSP
1960			199.000			
1961	14.218		196.700			
1962	13.919					
1963	13.683					
1964	13.276		204.500			
1965	13.179		205.485			
1966	13.340		203.702			
1967	13.116		196.205			
1968	12.700		201.257			
1969	12.789		215.773			
1970	13.125		225.073			
1971	13.527		235.335			
1972	14.039		241.317			
1973	14.391		250.337			
1974	14.848		254.462			
1975	14.929		253.993			
1976	14.847		254.830		470 ^a	
1977			252.571			
1978			259.205			
			147.269	111.936		
1979			147.786	112.883		
1980	10.000		154.798	113.922		
1981			167.087	116.730		
1982	10.000		158.649	114.181	209 ^a	272 ^a
1983			149.829	111.798		
1984			150.671	108.500		
1985			140.462	108.223		
1986			138.820	105.777		
1987	10.000		144.933	103.546		
1988			155.300	101.863	200 ^a	266 ^a
1989			157.000			

Note:

a. Number of lists presented at local elections.

Table III.B.1.deij: Numbers of Members and Basic Party Units, ECO, AGA, PSC/CVP

	ECO		AGA		PSC/CVP							
	Direct Members	Basic Units	Members	Branches	Number of Members		Youth		Women		Branches	
					PSC	CVP	PSC	CVP	PSC	CVP	PSC	CVP
1960					213.751							
1961					208.385							
1962					170.043							
1963					173.928							
1964					166.620							
1965					132.396							
1966					143.137							
1967					146.409							
1968					145.743							
					30.900	114.843						
1969					28.210	110.349						
1970					39.336	103.158						
1971					45.998	100.517						
1972					45.496	102.232						
1973					37.719	102.425						
1974					47.422	114.369						
1975					52.042	120.730						
1976					51.604	126.053						287
1977					56.298	124.730						
1978					61.049	125.027						
1979						117.207						
1980					57.904	125.141						
1981					55.333	124.473						
1982	900	15	870	4	52.762	116.773						290 ^a
1983	1.200	15			45.918	108.646						
1984	1.192	15	835		42.954	106.560						
1985	1.248	15	925		42.372	114.716						
1986	1.174	15	1.113	110	41.837	128.013						
1987	1.317	15	1.400	130	42.838	139.575						
1988	1.317	15	1.800	160	43.284	133.688						287 ^a
1989	1.423	15	1.730	160	43.353	127.306						

Note:

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1965	13.179		205.485			
1966	13.340		203.702			
1967	13.116		196.205			
1968	12.700		201.257			
1969	12.789		215.773			
1970	13.125		225.073			
1971	13.527		235.335			
1972	14.039		241.317			
1973	14.391		250.337			
1974	14.848		254.462			
1975	14.929		253.993			
1976	14.847		254.830		470 ^a	
1977			252.571			
1978			259.205			
			147.269	111.936		
1979			147.786	112.883		
1980	10.000		154.798	113.922		
1981			167.087	116.730		
1982	10.000		158.649	114.181	209 ^a	272 ^a
1983			149.829	111.798		
1984			150.671	108.500		
1985			140.462	108.223		
1986			138.820	105.777		
1987	10.000		144.933	103.546		
1988			155.300	101.863	200 ^a	266 ^a
1989			157.000			

Note:

a. Number of lists presented at local elections.

Table III.B.2.a: Obligations of Membership, PCB/KCP

	Financial Obligations	Other Obligations of Membership
1960	No information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Accepting the program, the statutes and the decisions; accepting to militate in an active way and to pay dues b. Being accepted by the congress of the basic unit; being introduced by two members c. Read the party press d. Develop the 'autocritique' within the party e. Not to be a member of another party
1963		<p>As above, except:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> c. Read the party press, and other documents suggested by the party f. Be a member of a trade union and to militate in it
1971		<p>As above plus:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> g. Be minimum 16 years old
1983		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. As above b. Being accepted by the congress of the basic unit c. As above, but more a suggestion than an obligation d. As above, but more a suggestion than an obligation e. with exception of immigrant workers who can be members of the CP in their home country f. As above g. As above

Table III.B.2.b: Obligations of Membership, PSB

	Financial Obligations	Other Obligations
1978	No Information	Be at least 16
1983		As above

Table III.B.2.bc: Obligations of Membership, PSE/BSP

	Financial Obligations	Other Obligations
1960	No information	No information
1963		a. Be at least 18 b. Attend the party meetings c. Read the party press d. Be member of the economic, social and cultural organizations that are associated with the party
1969		As above except: a. Be 16
1973		As above
1977		As above

Table III.B.2.c: Obligations of Membership, BSP

	Financial Obligations	Other Obligations
1980	No Information	Be at least 16

Table III.B.2.de: Obligations of Membership, PSC/CVP

	Finanical Obligations	Other Obligations of Membership
1960	No information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. members have to be Belgians b. Minimum age is 20 c. The members have to accept the party program d. The members must accept party discipline
1965		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. As above b. Minimum age is 17 c. As above d. As above e. Members cannot be members of other parties or of groups with viewpoints that differ from the party's viewpoints
1967		As above

Table III.B.2.e: Obligations of Membership, CVP

	Financial Obligations	Other Obligations of Membership
1972	No information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Belong to the Dutch-speaking community of Belgium b. Minimum age is 17 c. Accept the party program d. Accept party discipline e. Membership is not compatible with the membership of another political party
1974		As above
1977		As above
1986		As above
1989		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Abolished b. As above c. Accept the program as written down in the manifesto 'Geloof, hoop en toekomst' (1986), and accept all the congress resolutions d. As above e. Membership is not compatible with the membership of another political party and is not compatible with the fulfillment of a political mandate that was won in competition against an official CVP-list f. Members have furthermore the obligations to contribute actively to the development and proliferation of the ideas of the party and to participate actively in its organized social life

Table III.B.2.f: Obligations of Membership, PRL

	Financial Obligations	Other Obligations
1972	No information	No obligations
1974		As above
1977		As above
1979		As above
1989		As above

Table III.B.2.fg: Obligations of Membership, PRL/PVV

	Financial Obligations	Other Obligations
1960	No information	No rules
1961		Minimum 19 years
1963		As above
1966		Minimum 18 years
1969		As above

Table III.B.2.g: Obligations of Membership, PVV

	Financial Obligations	Other Obligations
1972	No information	a. Be 18 years
1977		a. As above b. Be accepted by the constituency branch
1982		As above
1986		As above

Table III.B.2.h: Obligations of Membership, VU

	Financial Obligations	Other Obligations
1960	No information	a. Accept the statutes b. Pay dues
1966		a. Accept the party goal as stated in the statutes b. As above c. Be at least 18 years old
1970		a. As above b. As above c. 16 years
1973		As above
1976		As above
1982		As above
1988		As above
1989		As above

Table III.B.2.i: Obligations of Membership, ECO

	Minimum Subscription from Member to Branch	Minimum Subscription from Branch to Central Party	Other Obligations of Membership
1980	1,000 BF	No information	Members must a. Accept the program and the party strategy b. Give proofs of a real ecological engagement (in personal life, in professional life, in other ecological organizations, excluding other parties)
1983	As above		As above
1988	As above		As above
1989	As above		As above

Table III.B.2.j: Obligations of Membership, AGA

	Subscription from Member to Branch	Other Obligations
1982	300 BF	a. Accept the party program b. Be prepared to be active in the movement c. Not be a member of another party
1986	As above	As above

Table III.C.1: Numbers of Paid Staff

No information available for any party.