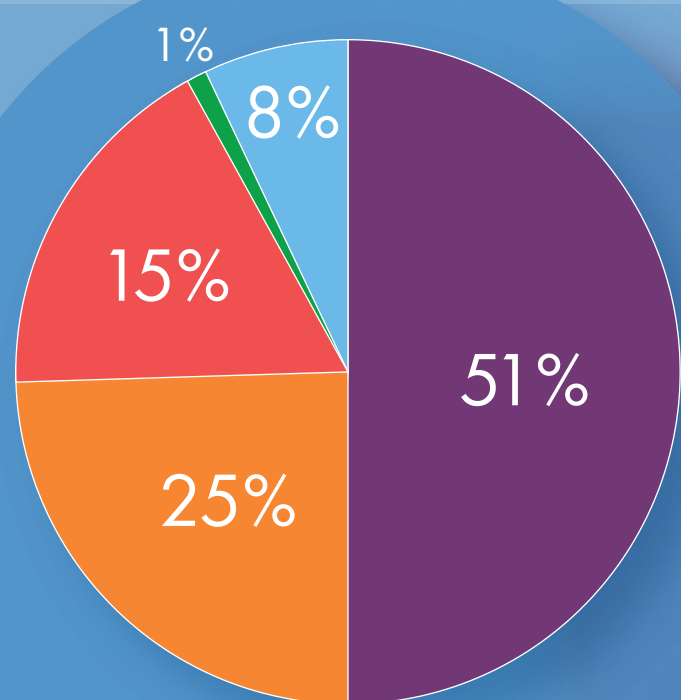


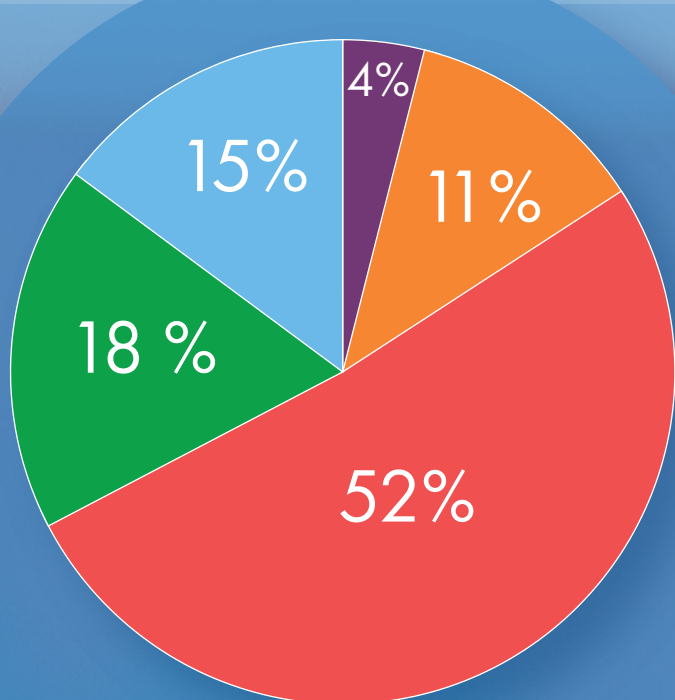
THE PERCEPTION OF YOUTH VOTERS ON COVID-19  
& THE ELECTIONS PROCESS IN ALBANIA  
April 2021

The findings contained in this infographic are based on a survey among over 200 youth between 15 and 29 years of age from Tirana, Durrës, Elbasan and Berat. The Albanian electoral framework does not provide any alternative voting options outside the polling station – unlike in many other countries in the Western Balkans and in the European Union. According to the Ministry of Health and Social Protection, 23.625 could not vote in the 25 April 2021 elections as they were quarantined.



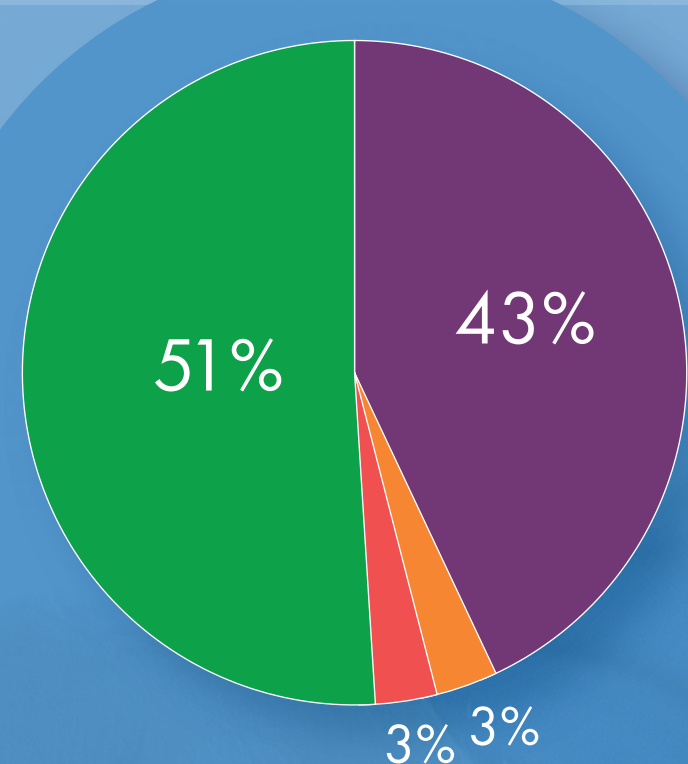
Voting experience

- I have never voted before
- I have voted in 1 election
- I have voted in 2 elections
- I have voted in 3 elections
- I have voted in over 3 elections



Trust in the election administration

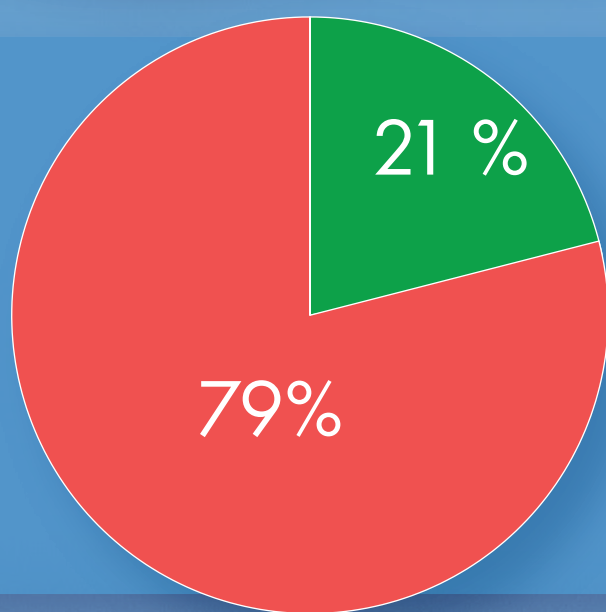
- Very high
- High
- Medium
- Low
- Very low



Sources of voter information for young voters

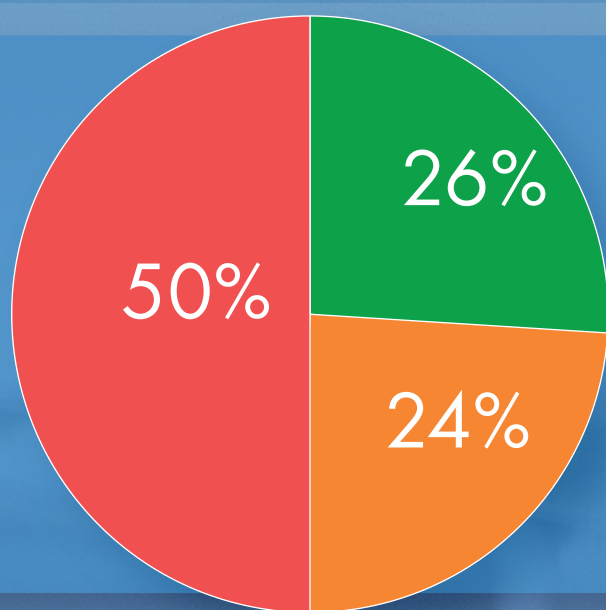
- TV
- Radio
- Newspapers \ Magazines
- Social Media

Voters would vote if infected with Covid-19



- Yes
- No

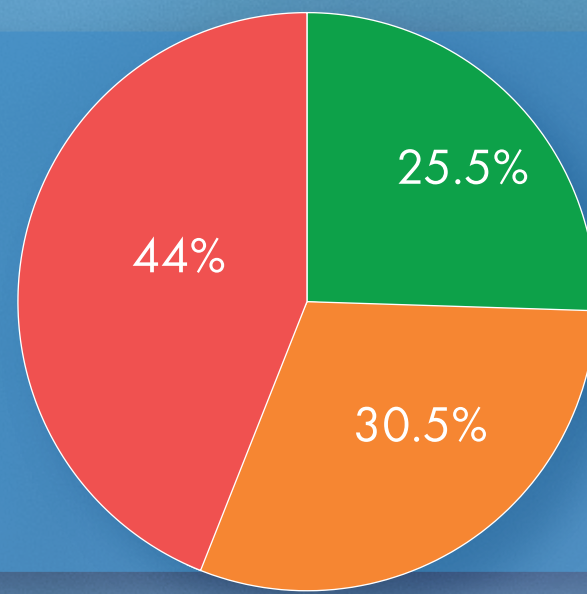
Information received about voting with Covid-19



- I have heard something, but I do not have full information
- I have complete information about the situation
- I do not have information

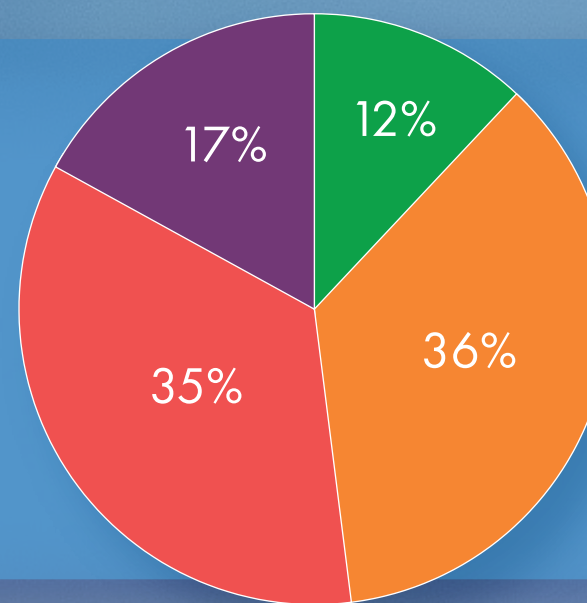


### Opinions about Voting with Covid-19



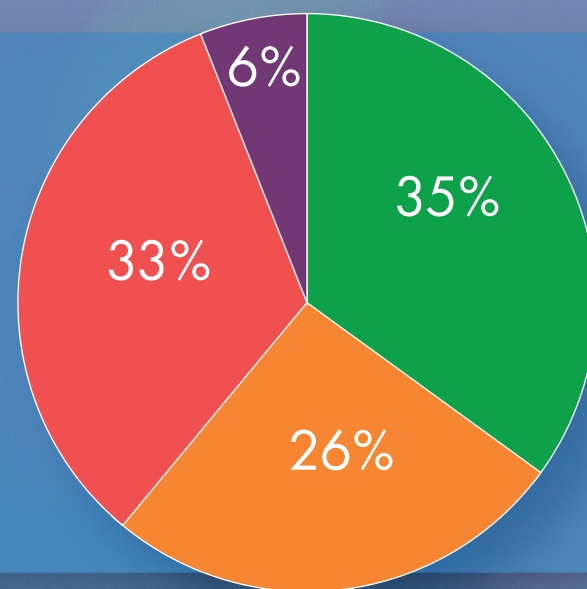
- Voters with infections should be able to vote under all circumstances
- Infected persons should not vote - Health is more important
- Voters with infections should be able to vote, following strict hygiene rules

### Opinions about the credibility and safety of postal voting and e-voting



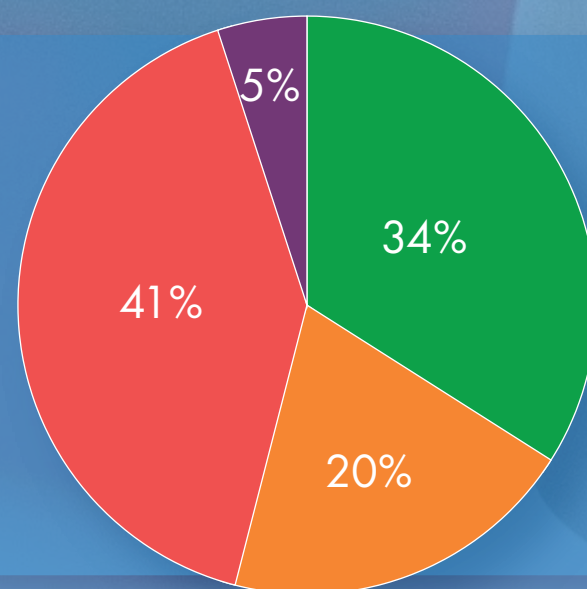
- Yes, this would be reliable
- This would only be partly credible
- Maybe
- This would be manipulable

### Opinions about the effectiveness of e-voting



- Yes, this would be reliable
- This would only be partly credible
- Maybe
- This would be manipulable

### Opinions about the effectiveness of postal voting



- Yes, this would be reliable
- This would only be partly credible
- Maybe
- This would be manipulable

## KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

# 1

Enhance voter information and youth inclusion in the electoral process

# 2

Establish alternative voting techniques and facilitate the electoral participation of voters who are excluded for health reasons

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