

• Making voting a duty is a compulsory voting
 • It is a system that forces an individual voter to attend a polling place or submit a ballot
 • There are 22 countries where voting is mandatory
 • An eligible voter has a duty, should polling place or ballot is provided, but the duty is subject to specific rules in law or commonly custom
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Voting Should be Mandatory Because...
 It encourages citizens to get involved
 • Citizens have to be more involved in political life and as a result are encouraged to take a more active role in other areas of civic society
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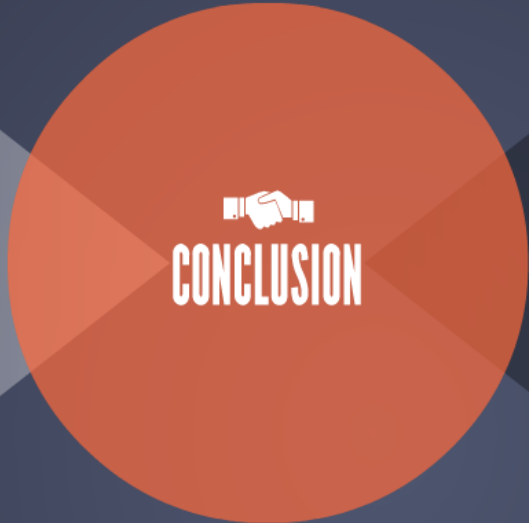
Voting Should not be Mandatory Because...
 We have the right to vote just as much as we have the right NOT to vote!
 • Not all people have equal voting in present for them
 • The right to vote is something we should be proud of, not something we should be ashamed to use it
 • "This idea sounds cheaply on the surface!"
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Voting Should be Mandatory Because...
 It is a right of citizenship and a citizen's civic responsibility
 • Voting should feel like a duty not a burden
 • It is like having a say in the government
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Voting Should not be Mandatory Because...
 It would not be necessary
 • The leading argument against compulsory voting is that it is not consistent
 • Possible high number of random voters
 • Voters who are voting against their free will may think of it as a form of coercion, particularly the high number of the latter voters
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Voting Should be Mandatory Because...
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 • Presidential election could cost as much as \$5 billion
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Voting Should not be Mandatory Because...
 It goes against the First Amendment
 • "Involuntary voting requirement is a burden that is not a necessary or essential part of the right of free speech and assembly"
 • "The First Amendment prohibits the making of any law abridging the freedom of speech"
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Mandatory voting is also known as compulsory voting.

- It is a system that electors are obliged to vote when a polling place is voting day.
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- A mandatory voter does not vote, attend a polling place, or bring a postal vote, but is otherwise subject to a penalty such as fines or community service.

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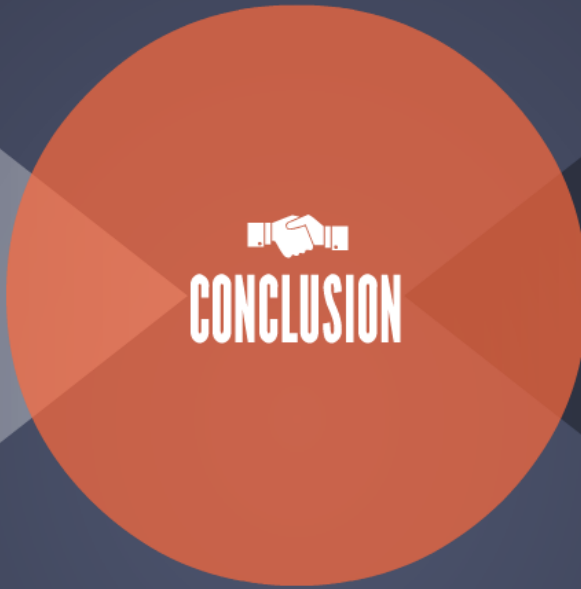
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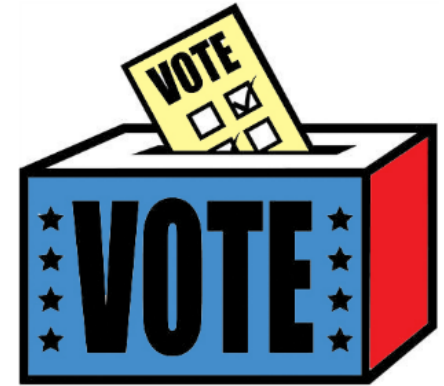
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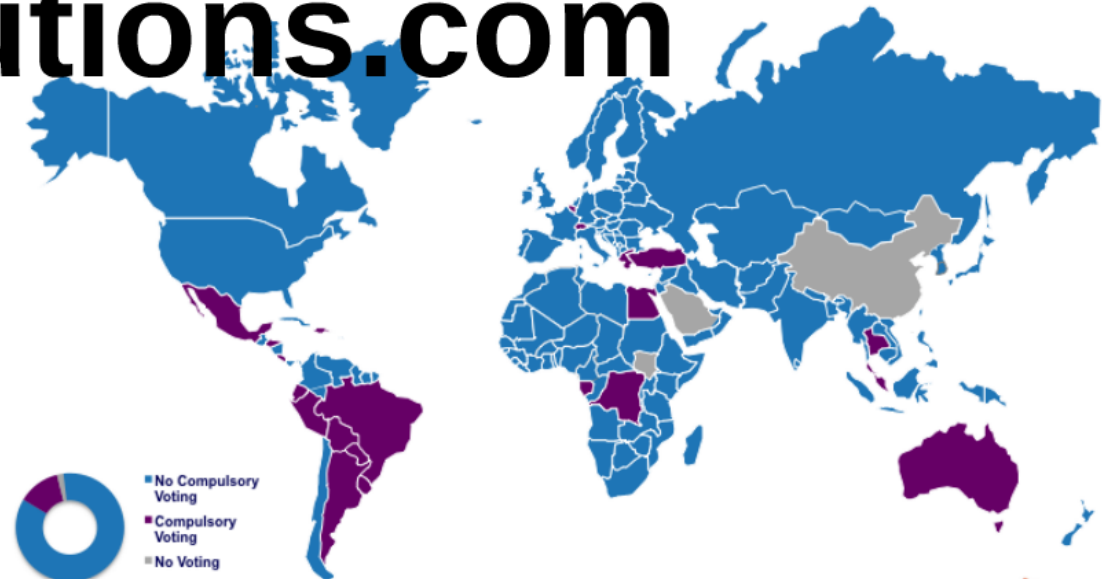
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COUNTRIES WHERE VOTING IS COMPULSORY

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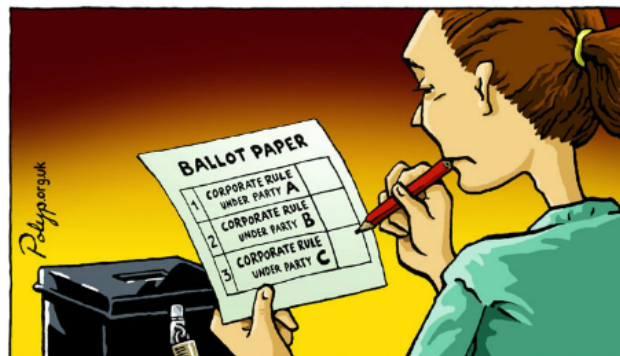
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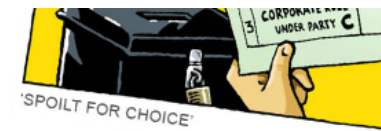
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'SPOILT FOR CHOICE'



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