Prodi claims victory

Romano Prodi's Centre-left coalition has emerged the winner of Italy's election, narrowly beating Silvio Berlusconi's centre-right coalition by a razor-thin margin



(DETTE TIREKIA)	
Chamber	Senate
of Deputies	Upper
Lower house	house
49.8% 49.7%	48.9% 50.2%
630 seats	• 315 seats
Prodi Berlusconi	Prodi Berlusconi
348 281	158 156
seats seats	seats seats

Two seats apportioned to minor parties
Turnout: 81.4%

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