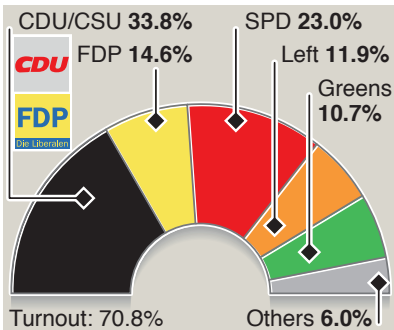


Merkel election victory

German Chancellor Angela Merkel's victory allows her to end her uneasy "grand coalition" with the centre-left Social Democrats (SPD) and form a government with the pro-business Free Democrats (FDP)



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