Germany's far-right scores its biggest win

Alternative für Deutschland (AfD) surges into first place in state elections in Saxony-Anhalt, but falls short of the majority needed to become the first far-right party to govern part of Germany since the Nazi era



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Ulrich Siegmund: AfD candidate for governor of Saxony-Anhalt



Mecklenburg-Western Pomerania

Berlin

Saxony-Anhalt

Result expected to boost AfD ahead of two other regional elections on Sep 20

ELECTION RESULTS *(% of votes)**

AfD Alternative for Germany **43.8%**

CDU Christian Democrats **17.2**

9.3 SPD Social Democrats

8.9 Greens

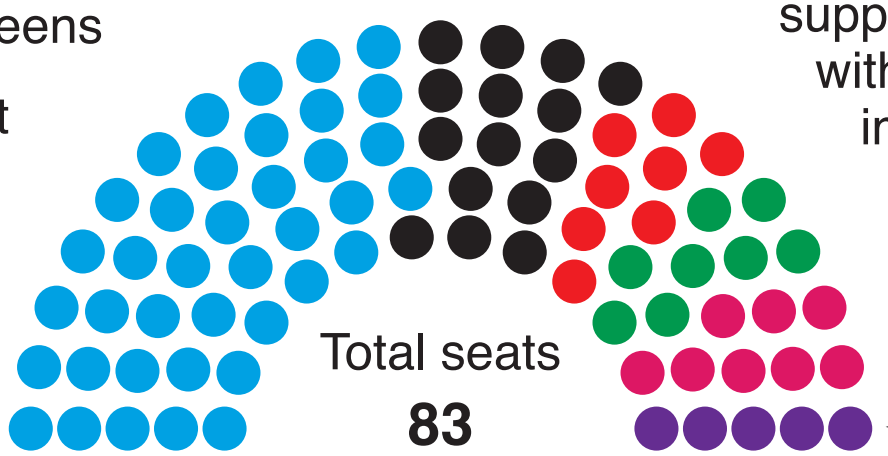
8.6 Left

5.3 BSW

2.6 FDP

4.4 Others

Bündnis Sahra Wagenknecht (BSW): Breakaway party from Left formed in 2024, which supports restarting trade with Russia and tighter immigration controls, says it is willing to work with AfD on certain issues



Projected seats in state parliament

AfD	CDU	SPD	Greens	Left	BSW
39	15	8	8	8	5

42 seats needed for outright majority

Sources: Saxony-Anhalt office for statistics *Based on 100% preliminary results

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