

GENERAL ELECTION 2010

PLUS CA CHANGE.....?

VOTE/SEAT SHARES DUP/UUP

- WESTMINSTER 1997-2005
- DUP 13.6% TO 34%
- DUP SHARE OF COMBINED UUP/DUP VOTE FROM 41% TO 66%
- UUP VOTE HALVED FROM 258K TO 127K
- UUP FROM 10 MPs TO 1
- DUP FROM 2 TO 9 MPs

NIA ELECTIONS 98-07

VOTE/SEAT SHARES

- DUP 18% TO 30%
- UUP 21% TO 15%
- DUP 20 TO 36 SEATS
- UUP FROM 28 TO 18
- DUP VOTE SHARE OF COMBINED DUP/UUP VOTE FROM 46% TO 66%
- UUP TOTAL VOTE 103K – LOSS OF APPROX 70K

VOTE/SEAT SHARES SF/SDLP WESTMINSTER 97-05

- SF vote share from 16% to 24%
- SF SHARE OF COMBINED SF/SDLP VOTE FROM 40% TO 58%
- SDLP SHARE OF TOTAL VOTE FROM 24% TO 17%
- SF FROM 2 TO 5 MPs
- SDLP RETAINS 3 SEATS (LOST N&A PICKED UP S BELFAST)

VOTE/SEAT SHARES NIA SF & SDLP 98-07

- SF FROM 18% TO 23.5%
- SDLP FROM 22% TO 15%
- SF FROM 18 TO 28 SEATS
- SDLP FROM 24 TO 16 SEATS
- SF SHARE OF COMBINED SF/SDLP VOTE FROM 45% TO 63%
- SDLP LOST 73K VOTES

TURNOUTS/REGISTRATION

- NIA 1998-07: 70% TO 63%
- NI WESTMINSTER 1997-05: 67% TO 63.5% (WAS 68% IN 2001)
- UK TURNOUT W'M'R 1997-05: 71.3% TO 61.3% (IN 2001 FELL BELOW 60%)
- NI REGISTRATION: 15.5% NOT-REGISTERED (PWC)
- AGE & LENGTH OF RESIDENCE MAIN FACTORS ASSOCIATED WITH NON-REGISTRATION + DISABILITY & PRIVATE RENTED SECTORS
- AGE VARIABLE: UNDER-REP OF <40/URBAN/FIRST-TIME VOTERS/45% 18 yrs, 97% aged 69yrs: HALF OF NON-REGISTERED <34YRS
- BELFAST S. Lowest rate Of 18-24yr olds REGISTERED
- TURNOUT TRAJECTORY IS DOWNWARD TO FLAT

CRYSTAL BALL GAZING

- HUNG PARLIAMENT: TERMS OF TRADE?
- EXPENDITURE CUTS
- BARNETT
- CORPORATION TAX
- SOME REFORM OF DEVOLVED INSTITUTIONS:
PROVISION FOR AN OFFICIAL OPPOSITION?
- OPPORTUNITY SPACES?