

## 25. ELECTIONS

**Elections to the European Parliament** took place in all Member States of the European Union from 22 to 25 May 2014. In the Czech Republic, the elections were announced by a Decision of the President of the CR of 19 February 2014 (No. 24/2014 Sb.) based on the Decision of the Council of the European Union to take place on 23 and 24 May 2014. The total of 21 Members were elected from the CR. The elections took place pursuant to the Act No. 62/2003 Sb., on Elections to the European Parliament, as amended.

On 10 and 11 October 2014, based on the Decision of the President of the CR from 12 June 2014 (No. 112/2014 Sb.), **elections to local councils**, city districts, and city parts and to the Prague City Assembly and to councils of Prague city parts were held. The elections took place pursuant to the Act No. 491/2001 Sb., on Local Council Elections, as amended.

Pursuant to the same Decision of the President of the Czech Republic, together with elections to local councils also the **election to the Senate of the Parliament of the CR** was held on the same dates. The election took place pursuant to the Act No. 247/1995 Sb., on Elections to the Parliament of the Czech Republic and on Amendments of Certain Other Acts, as amended. According to the same act, also the second round of the election was held on 17 and 18 October 2014 in the electoral districts, in which a senator had not been elected in the first round. The election was held in all of the 27 electoral districts, in which the term ended.

Total voting results of the elections to the European Parliament, local council elections, and the election to the Senate of the Parliament of the CR are available at: [www.volby.cz](http://www.volby.cz).

**Registered voters** are the number of persons included in electoral rolls (persons who meet statutory conditions for execution of the right to vote). The **number of issued official envelopes** is equal to the number of voting voters who came to vote and were given an official envelope in the polling station to put their ballot paper in. The **number of returned official envelopes** is the number of official envelopes cast by the voters to ballot boxes. **Turnout** is calculated as the share of voting voters (persons who were given an official envelope in the polling station) and registered voters (persons included in the electoral rolls). The **number of candidates** is the number of candidates that can be voted for (except for the removed and those who have withdrawn). The **number of seats** means the number of representatives to be elected for the relevant council type. Data on the percentage of valid votes are not rounded and are provided to two decimal places.