

Netherlands Delegation – 2025 World Zionist Congress Elections

Comprehensive Report for Non-Technical Readers

1. Introduction

This summarizes how the Netherlands Jewish community participated in the 2025 elections for the World Zionist Congress (WZC). The report covers every stage of the process: from registration, through voting and verification, to the careful analysis of where and how people voted (including city, country, and internet/IP checks). The aim is to offer transparency, highlight participation, and share what worked best—so that future elections can be even better.

2. Election Objectives

- **Fairness:** Make sure every eligible member of the Dutch Jewish community had one equal vote.
- **Security:** Prevent double voting or cheating, while protecting privacy.
- **Inclusion:** Allow voting from anywhere in the Netherlands (and for eligible citizens temporarily abroad), using a secure online platform.
- **Transparency:** Let the community and stakeholders understand exactly how the election was run.

3. Timeline and How Voting Worked

Date	What Happened
16–21 July 2025	Registration & Voting was open online at a secure website
22–23 July 2025	Audits: technical checks and data review
23 July 2025	Official results published
By 31 July 2025	All personal voter data will be deleted for privacy

- **Registration:** Voters had to be Jewish, age 18 or older, and either a Dutch citizen or resident.
- **Voting Fee:** €5 per person, or €2.50 for voters aged 25 or under. Payment was required before a vote was counted.
- **ID Verification:** Each voter uploaded an official ID, checked for validity.
- **Voting Limitations:** Only one vote per person was allowed. Strict limits on number of votes per email, per payment method, and per internet connection (IP address) to prevent abuse.

4. Results: Participation and Parties

Total Votes Cast and Counted

- **Total votes submitted:** 620
- **Total valid votes counted with match payment:** 487
- **Votes rejected (not counted):** 49 (for reasons explained below)

Votes per Party List

Party List	Votes
ARZA Nederland Voor een progressief en pluriform Israël	180
Amos/Mizrachi/Algemene Zionisten/Kol Israel/Bne Akiwa/StandWithUs	157
PZ/Haboniem	69
Meretz Nederland	66
Likud Netherlands	15
Total valid votes	487

5. Why Were Some Votes Rejected?

After all checks, 49 votes (about 8% of all votes) were not counted.
Here's why:

Reason for Rejection	Number of Votes
Expired ID	7
Invalid document (not a valid ID)	14
ID did not match registration details	14
Not a Dutch ID / no Dutch permit	5
Duplicate voting attempt	9
Total rejected	49

- These checks ensured that only real, eligible voters took part, and no one voted twice.

6. Where Did Voters Come From?

(Geographic and Country Analysis)

By City (Top 10 in the Netherlands)

City	Estimated Number of Voters
Amsterdam	120
Amstelveen	85
The Hague	60
Rotterdam	35
Almere Stad	28
Utrecht	22
Rijswijk	15
Zaandam	13
Tilburg	8
Other cities	101

Total **487**

- **What does this mean?**

The highest participation was in Amsterdam and Amstelveen, followed by The Hague, Rotterdam, and Almere Stad. This matches where most Jewish communities are found in the Netherlands.

By Country (Based on Internet/IP Data)

Country	Approximate Number of Voters
Netherlands	463
Israel	6
France	5
Germany	3
Austria	2
United States	2
UK, Spain, Greece, and others	6

Total **487**

- **What does this mean?**

Nearly all voters participated from the Netherlands, as required by the rules. A handful of voters were Dutch Jews temporarily abroad (students, travelers, expats) who met all other eligibility requirements.

7. IP Address and Security Checks

- Almost every voter used a unique internet (IP) address, confirming votes were cast individually.
- A few IP addresses (such as those from a family home or community center) were used by up to four voters—always checked for fairness.

8. Security, Privacy, and Data Protection

- All personal voting data will be deleted by 31 July 2025, in line with European privacy law (GDPR).
- No breaches or misuse of data were reported.
- Election audits found no evidence of technical manipulation or coordinated fraud.

9. Conclusions & Professional Recommendations

- **The process was fair and transparent.** The strict checks on ID, payment, and IP address worked well to prevent abuse.
- **Participation was strong and well distributed.** Most votes came from major Jewish population centers, but people from all over the Netherlands took part.
- **No technical problems or breaches occurred.**

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