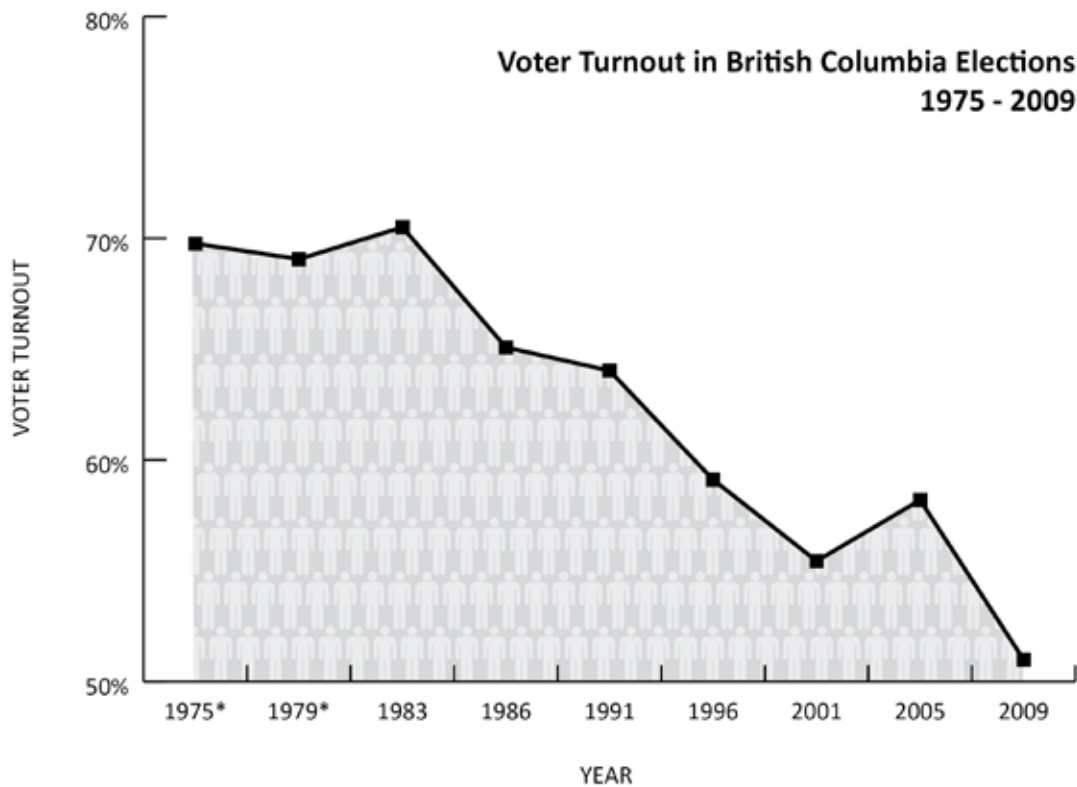


## Handout 2.5: Voter Turnout in British Columbia Elections

The following graph and chart displays voter turnout rates in British Columbia provincial elections from 1975 to 2009.

Year	Valid Ballots	Voter Turnout
1975*	1,290,451	69.76%
1979*	1,405,077	69.06%
1983	1,649,533	70.50%
1986	1,935,453	65.08%
1991	1,462,467	64.03%
1996	1,582,704	59.11%
2001	1,591,306	55.44%
2005	1,762,450	58.19%
2009	1,640,542	50.99%

\*Note: 1975 and 1979 are reported number of **registered** voters who cast ballots. All subsequent years report number of **eligible** voters who cast ballots.



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