Right-Wing Alliance in Portugal Wins Most Posts in Local Voting

LISBON, Dec. 19 (Reuters) — The right-wing Democratic Alliance won control of about 60 percent of Portugal's town and parish councils in last Sunday's local elections, according to official figures published today.

Alliance candidates were elected mayor in 196 of Portugal's 305 town halls compared with 59 for the Socialists and 50 for the Communists.

Alliance candidates were elected president in 2,506 of the 4,042 parish councils, the Socialists in 811 and the Communists in 299.