

# DEMSTAR

Democracy, the State, and Administrative Reforms

## State of the State in Latvia

Appendix 5:  
Governments in Latvia since Independence

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Period	Leading Party	Prime Minister	Parties in Coalition	Number of ministries (ministers + state ministers) except PMs and their deputies
May 1990 – July 1993	Popular Front	Ivars Godmanis	Popular Front Non – party	24+1
July 1993 – Sep. 1994	Latvian Way	Valdis Birkavs	Latvian Way Latvian Peasants Union	13+9
Sep. 1994 – Dec. 1995	Latvian Way	Māris Gailis	Latvian Way Political Union of Economists	13+13
Dec. 1995 – Feb. 1997	Latvian Way	Andris Skele	Latvian Way Democratic Party “Saimnieks” Union “Fraternity and Freedom” Latvian National Independence Movement Latvian Greens Latvian Unity Party	16+13
Feb. 1997 – Aug. 1997	Latvian Way	Andris Skele	Latvian Way Democratic Party “Saimnieks” Union “Fraternity and Freedom” Latvian National Independence Movement Latvian Greens Latvian Unity Party	13+4
Aug. 1997 – Nov. 1998	Fraternity and Freedom	Guntars Krasts	Latvian Way Democratic Party “Saimnieks” Union “Fraternity and Freedom” Latvian National Independence Movement Latvian Peasants Union Union of Christian Democrats	12+4

Nov. 1998 – July 1999	Latvian Way	Vilis Kristopans	Latvian Way Fraternity and Freedom/ Latvian National Independence Union New Party Additionally, special agreement with the Latvian Social- democratic Party to support the the ruling coalition in exchange for two ministerial posts	13+6
July 1999 - May 2000	People's Party	Andris Skele	People's Party Latvian Way Fraternity and Freedom/Latvian National Independence Movement	12+2 ministers without portfolio
May 2000 -	Latvian Way	Andris Berzins	Latvian Way People's Party For Fatherland and Freedom / LNNK New Party	12+2

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