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**E-DEMOCRACY IS NO MORE  
THAN E-ANARCHY**

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# DEMOCRACY

- From Greek *dēmokratia*, from *dēmos* + *-kratia*: government by the people ;
- *especially*: rule of the majority
- a government in which the supreme power is vested in the people and exercised by them directly or indirectly through a system of representation usually involving periodically held free
- (Retrieved May 24, 2009, from <http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/democracy>)

# Democracy - Taiwan Parliament



# Democracy - Ukraine Parliament



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# Democracy - Alabama Senat



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# Spreading the Democracy as Top Business



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# ANARCHY

- From Greek, from *anarchos* having no ruler, from *an-* + *archos* ruler
- absence of government
- a state of lawlessness or political disorder due to the absence of governmental authority
- a utopian society of individuals who enjoy complete freedom without government
- absence of any authority or established order
- Retrieved May 24, 2009, from <http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/anarchy>

# Anarchy



*"The most unpardonable sin  
in society is independence  
of thought"*

Emma Goldman

# Anarchy in L.A. Part 1



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# Anarchy in L.A. Part 2



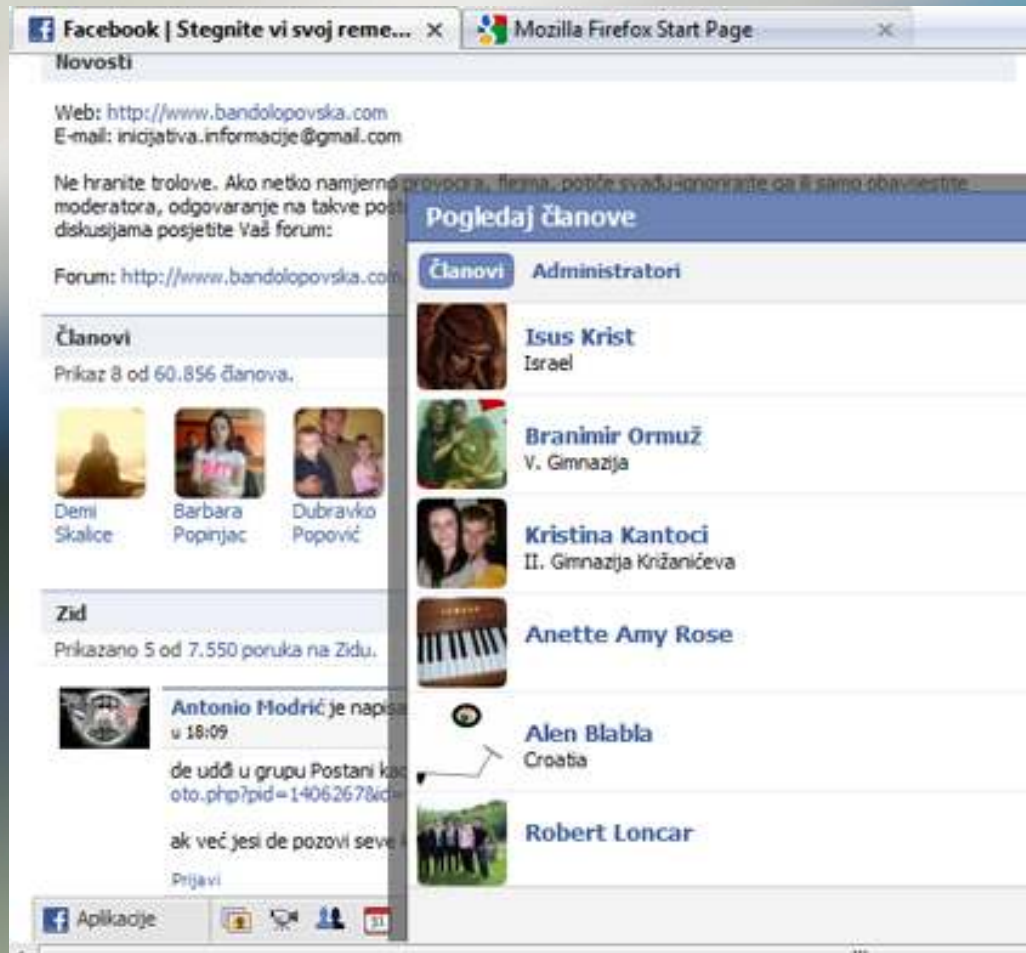
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# Anarchy in Greece



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# Jesus Christ as Group Member?



# Facebook 60000 = Zagreb 600

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## Sjaj i bijeda Facebooka

Tek nekoliko stotina prosvjednika na Trgu

Bando lopovska zvučalo je sjajno krajem prošle godine, u jeku napada na Sanadera, s hapšenjima aktivista, lažnim otkazivanjima prosvjeda i ostalim trikovima iz šešira vladajućih. No, prebrojavši nazočne na Trgu, odlučili su se na varijantu ignoriranja ovaj put.

U medije su dospjeli, svi su portali i novine prenijeli nastavak prosvjednih aktivnosti, objavili adresu novog weba van Facebooka, no nekako se cijela priča ispuhala. Naime, tek je nekoliko stotina građana odlučilo stati pred pozornicu na Trgu bana Jelačića i povcima podrške popratiti govornike.

Ima li to sve veze s jutrošnjim prosvjedima u Maksimiru, lijenošću Facebook populacije (koju su u dvadeset puta većoj broji uspjeli dovući na Trg po



Drago Sopta/CROPIX

# Santa Maria or Clint Eastwood or...



# Dubrovnik students' protest, Vecernji list

Students žele zarađivati, a ne vraćati kredite! - Mozilla Firefox

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### PREPISKA Profesor upozorava, a student mu odgovara

#### Studenti žele zarađivati, a ne vraćati kredite!

Autor Emir Fulurija

Na prosvjedu studenata u Dubrovniku okupilo se samo 20-ak studenata, koji su dali podršku kolegama iz cijele Hrvatske

Foto: Emir Fulurija

DUBROVNIK – Studentski prosvjedi, koji su posljednja dva tjedna tema broj jedan u Hrvatskoj, u dobroj su mjeri zaobišli Dubrovnik. Samo 20-ak studenata Sveučilišta u Dubrovniku okupilo se kako bi podržali svoje kolege u Hrvatskoj, ali jedna je druga stvar uznemirila duhove.

**Poziv na suzdržavanje**

Naime, u povodu tog prosvjeda profesor Odjela za komunikologiju Đorđe Obradović poslao je e-mail svojim studentima u kojemu ih poziva da ne blokiraju fakultet.

Preporučujem vam da se suzdržite od blokiranja nastave zato što vrijeme loš nikad nitko nije

**Ostale vijesti**

- Za neodgovorno glasanje pojedinci plaćaju kaznu do pet tisuća kuna i dvaput u istom danu!
- Vrtlar je oštećen za desetak milijuna eura
- Kolega Vrančić predao vlast
- U Marini Preko otvorena nautička sezona
- Salmonela otrovala petero predškolaca
- Novi studij za regiju od 90 milijuna stanovnika
- U Debeljaku već za pet mjeseci gusterne suhe...

**Komentar**

**PRAVILA KOMENTIRANJA ČLANAKA**

**Vrijeme danas**

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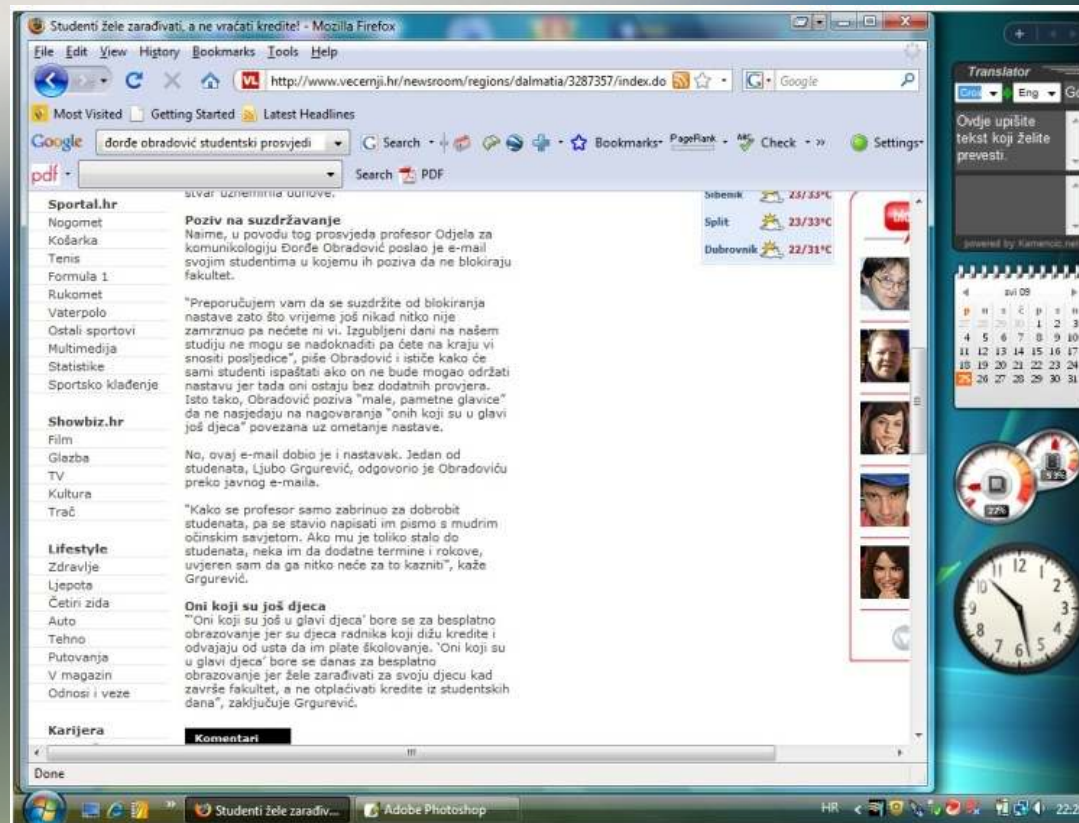
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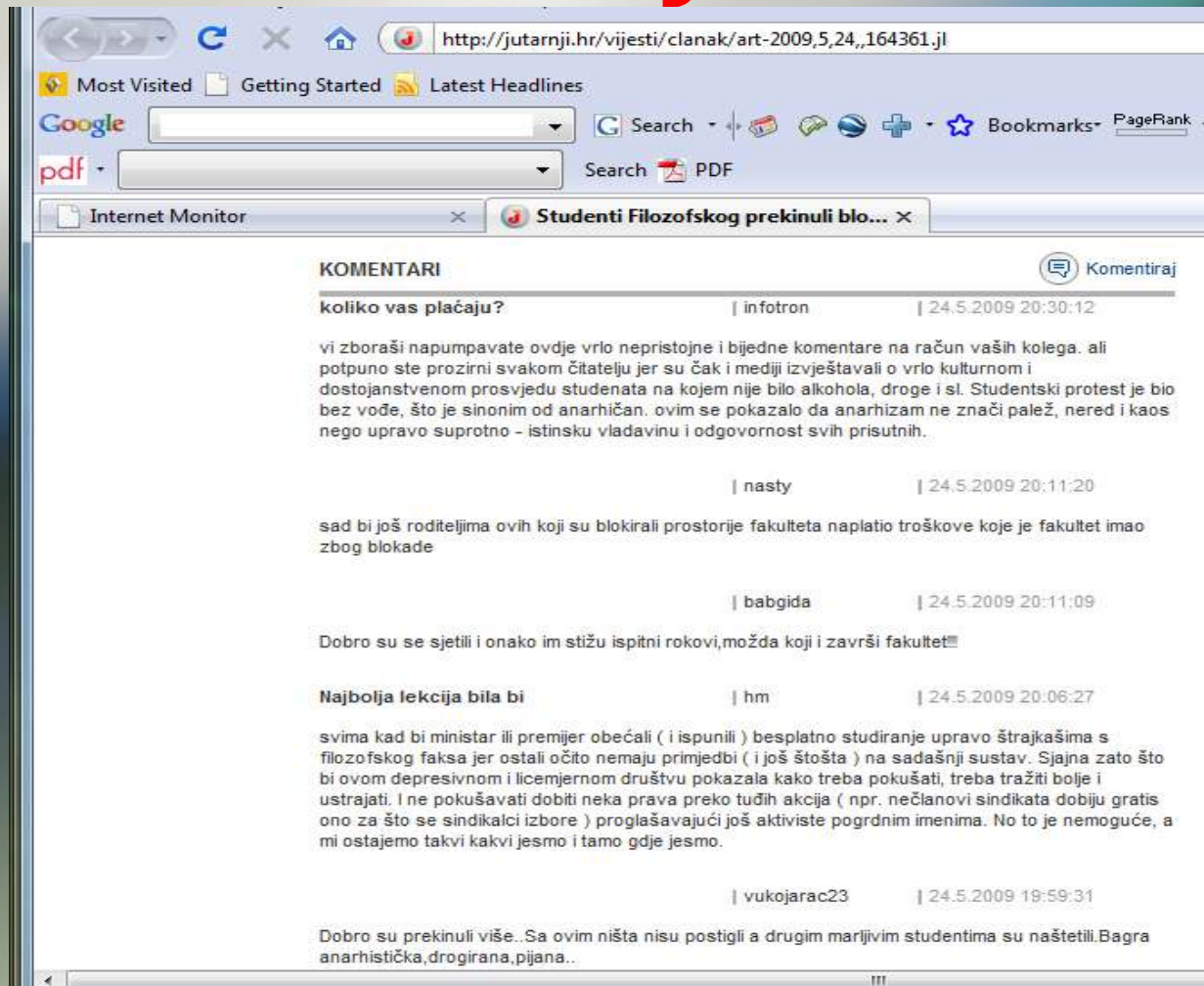
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Internet Monitor x Studenti Filozofskog prekinuli blo... x

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**koliko vas plaćaju?** | infotron | 24.5.2009 20:30:12

vi zborashi napumpavate ovdje vrlo nepristojne i bijedne komentare na račun vaših kolega. ali potpuno ste prozirni svakom čitatelju jer su čak i mediji izvještavali o vrlo kulturnom i dostojanstvenom prosvjedu studenata na kojem nije bilo alkohola, droge i sl. Studentski protest je bio bez vođe, što je sinonim od anarhičan. ovim se pokazalo da anarhizam ne znači palež, nered i kaos nego upravo suprotno - istinsku vladavinu i odgovornost svih prisutnih.

| nasty | 24.5.2009 20:11:20

sad bi još roditeljima ovih koji su blokirali prostorije fakulteta naplatio troškove koje je fakultet imao zbog blokade

| babgida | 24.5.2009 20:11:09

Dobro su se sjetili i onako im stižu ispitni rokovi, možda koji i završi fakultet!!!

**Najbolja lekcija bila bi** | hm | 24.5.2009 20:06:27

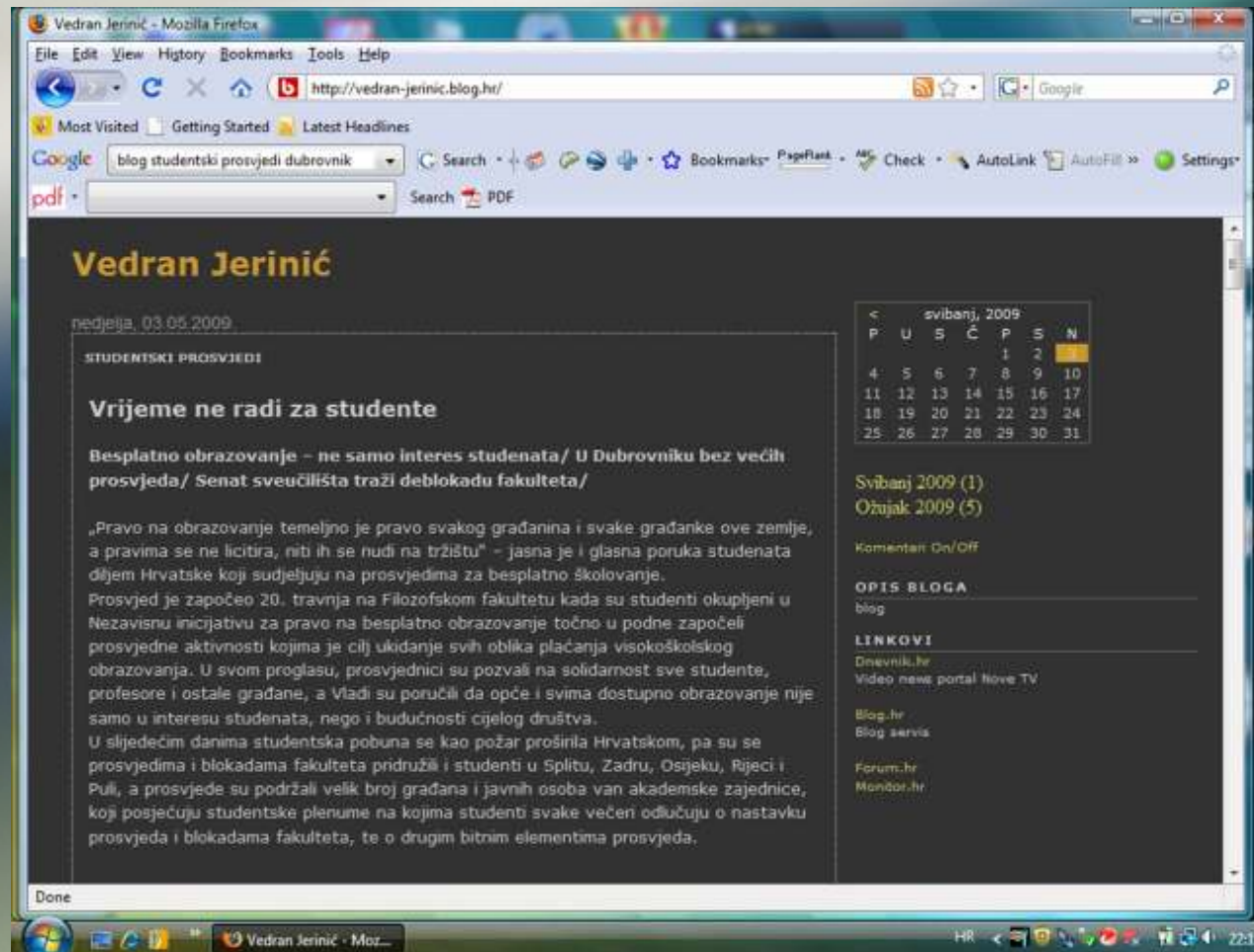
svima kad bi ministar ili premijer obećali ( i ispunili ) besplatno studiranje upravo štrajkašima s filozofskog faksa jer ostali očito nemaju primjedbi ( i još štošta ) na sadašnji sustav. Sjajna zato što bi ovom depresivnom i licemjernom društvu pokazala kako treba pokušati, treba tražiti bolje i ustrajati. I ne pokušavati dobiti neka prava preko tuđih akcija ( npr. nečlanovi sindikata dobiju gratis ono za što se sindikalci izbere ) proglašavajući još aktiviste pogrdnim imenima. No to je nemoguće, a mi ostajemo takvi kakvi jesmo i tamo gdje jesmo.

| vukojarac23 | 24.5.2009 19:59:31

Dobro su prekinuli više.. Sa ovim ništa nisu postigli a drugim martijvim studentima su naštetili. Bagra anarhistička, drogirana, pijana..

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# Dubrovnik students' blogs about students' rights

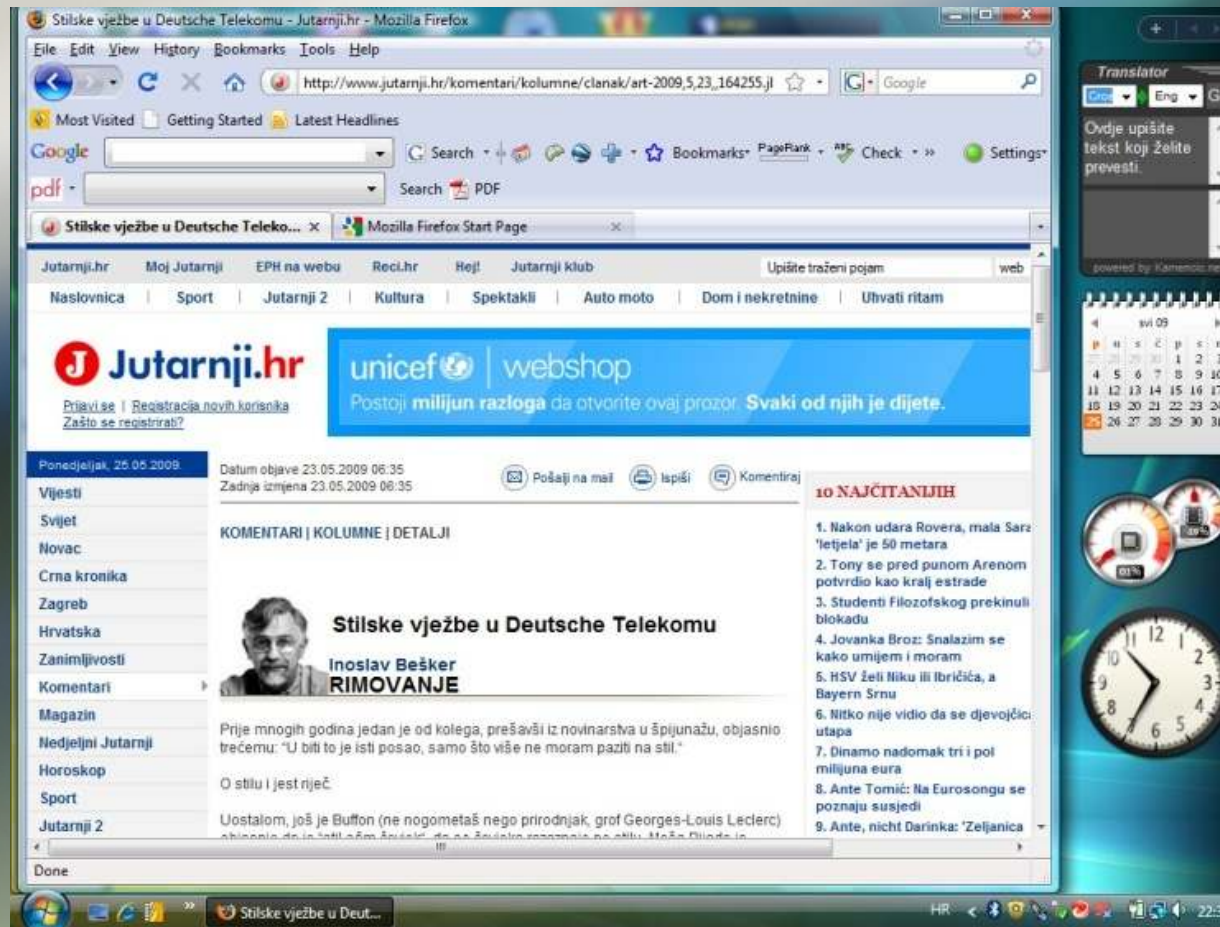


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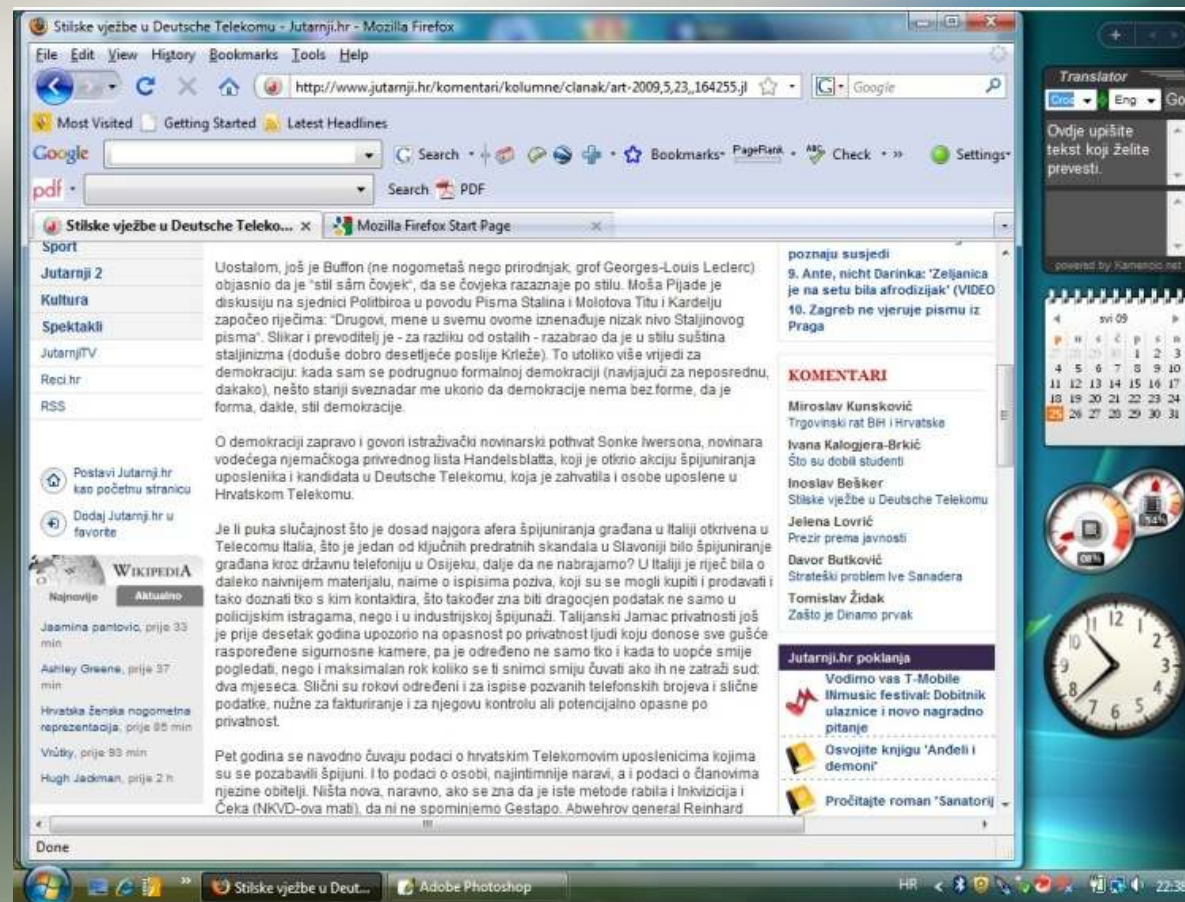


# Besker on espionage scandal in DT



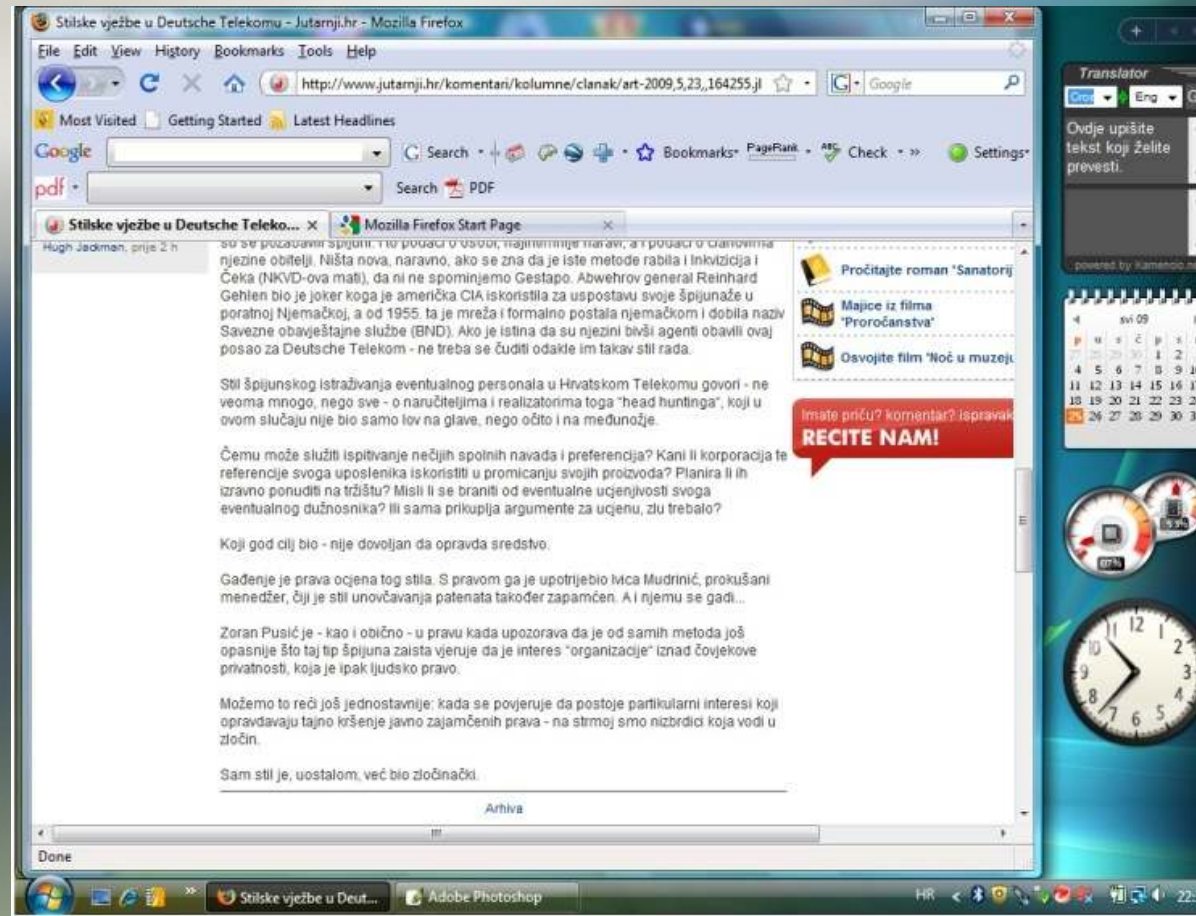
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# Internet as tool for revenge

The image is a screenshot of a news article from the Croatian website Jutarnji.hr. The article is titled "Bivši dečko me 'siluje' lažnim seksi oglasima" (My ex-boyfriend 'rapes' me with fake sexy ads). The article is dated May 24, 2009, at 13:43. The author is Alen Kurbanović and Kristina Turčin. The photo is by Goran Mehke/CROPIX. The article is categorized under "CYBERBULLYING". The main text of the article reads: "Mlada djevojka prolazi životnu dramu otkako je prekinula vezu s dečkom, a on je iz osвете stavio više od sto perverzih oglasa na internet s njezinom slikom i brojem telefona. Kad joj je prije šest mjeseci zazvonio telefon u tri sata, Jana je pretrnula. Nekome se nešto dogodilo, prošlo je joj je glavom dok je dizala slušalicu. Zapravo je odahnula kad". The article also includes a sidebar with navigation links and a footer with contact information.

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## Bivši dečko me 'siluje' lažnim seksi oglasima

Piše: Alen Kurbanović i Kristina Turčin  
Foto: Goran Mehke/CROPIX

**CYBERBULLYING**

### Bivši dečko me 'siluje' lažnim seksi oglasima

**Naglasnik je objavio stotinu perverzih oglasa s telefonom i slikom bivše djevojke**

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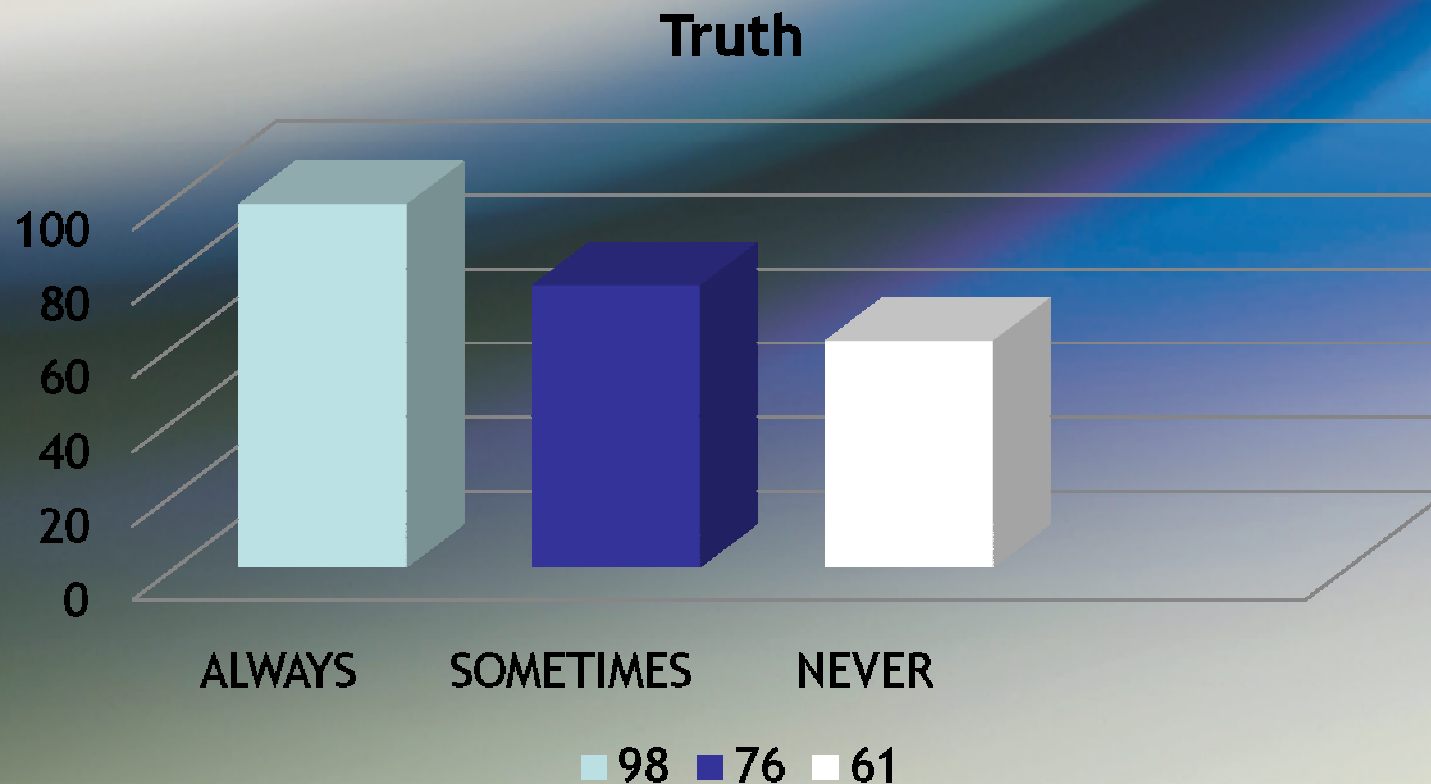
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# Photoshop, fliers and Internet as discrimination method



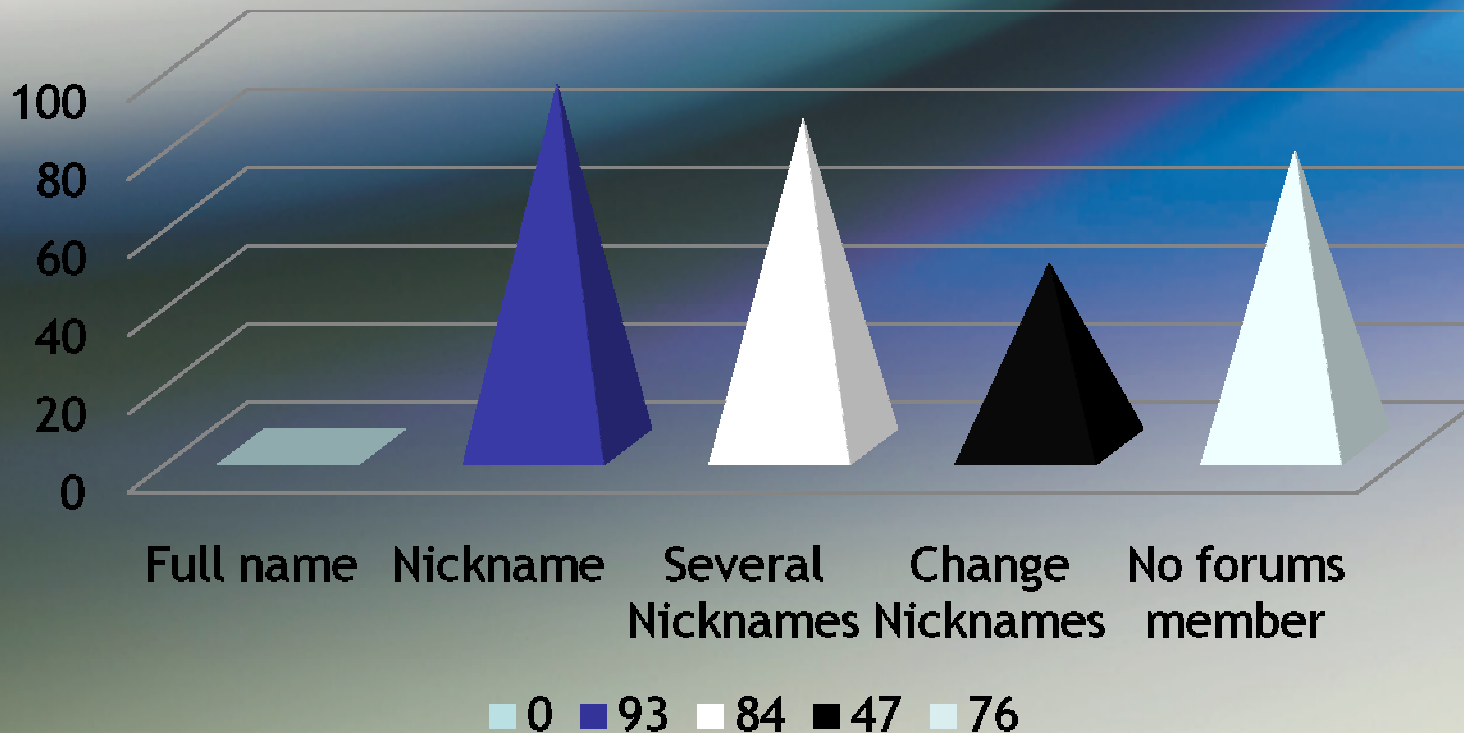
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# RESEARCH: Are you honest and sincere when answering web based questionnaires? (Sample: 300 students)

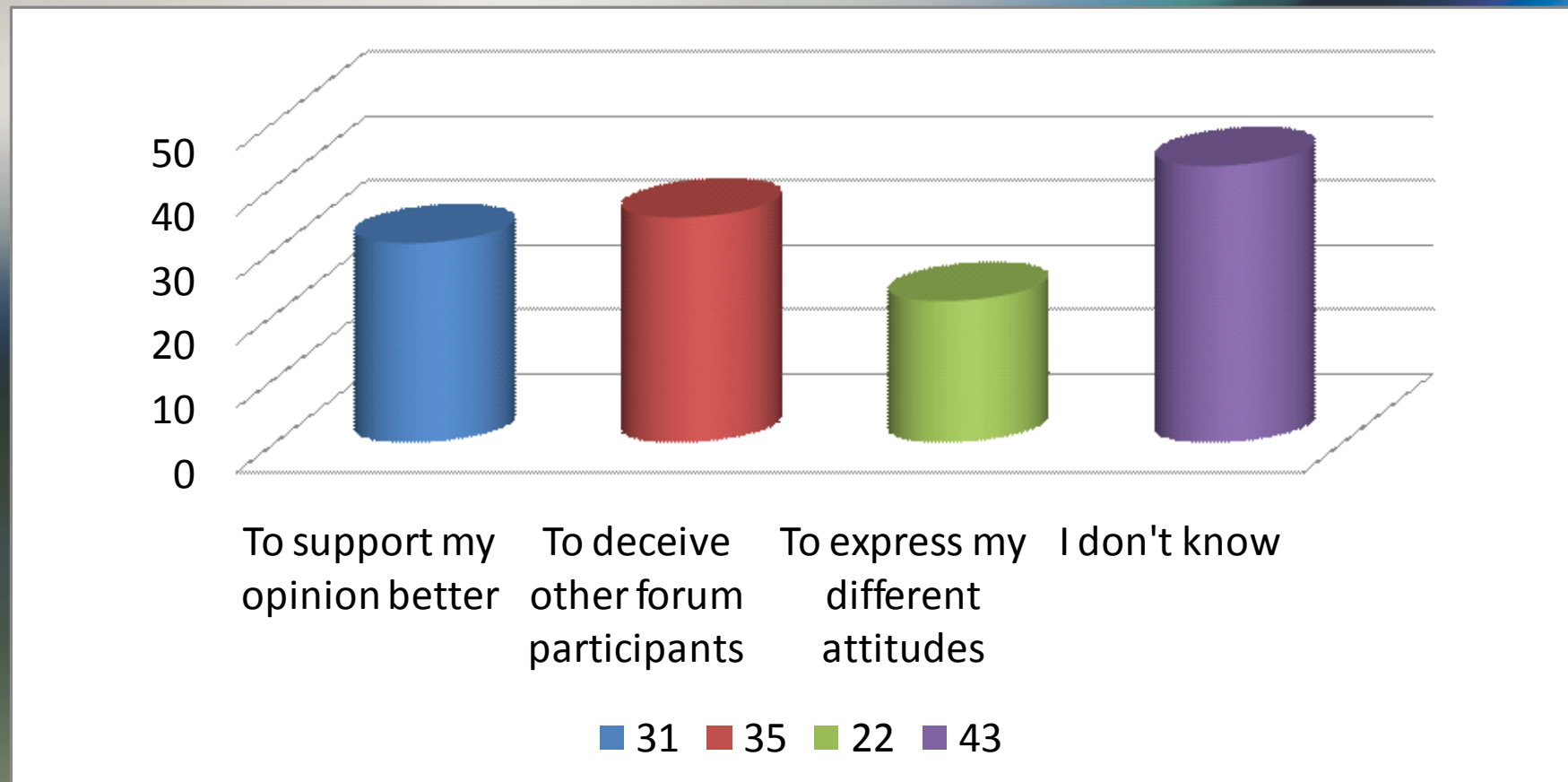


# RESEARCH: On your favorite web forum you introduce yourself with: (Sample: 300 students)

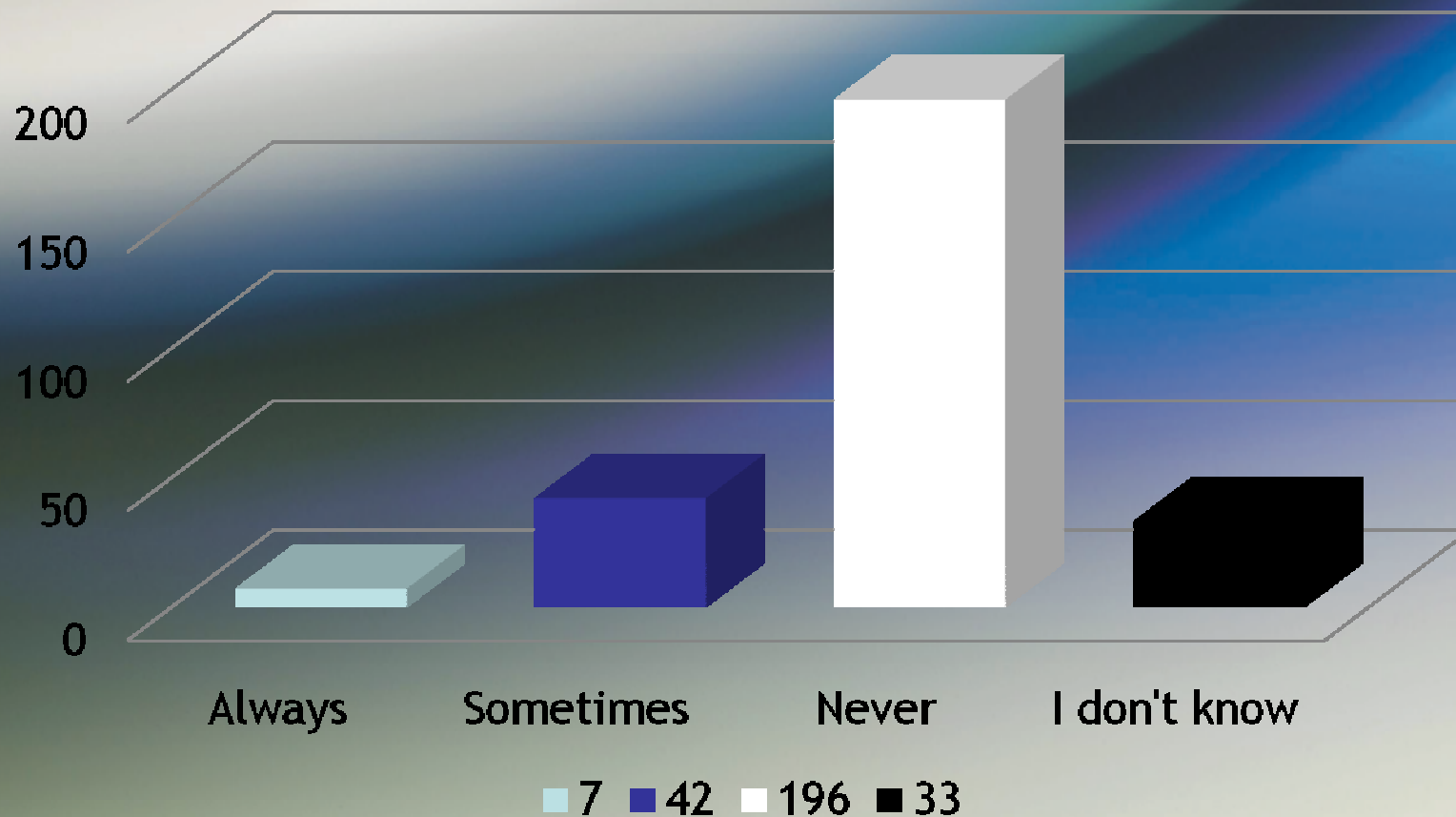
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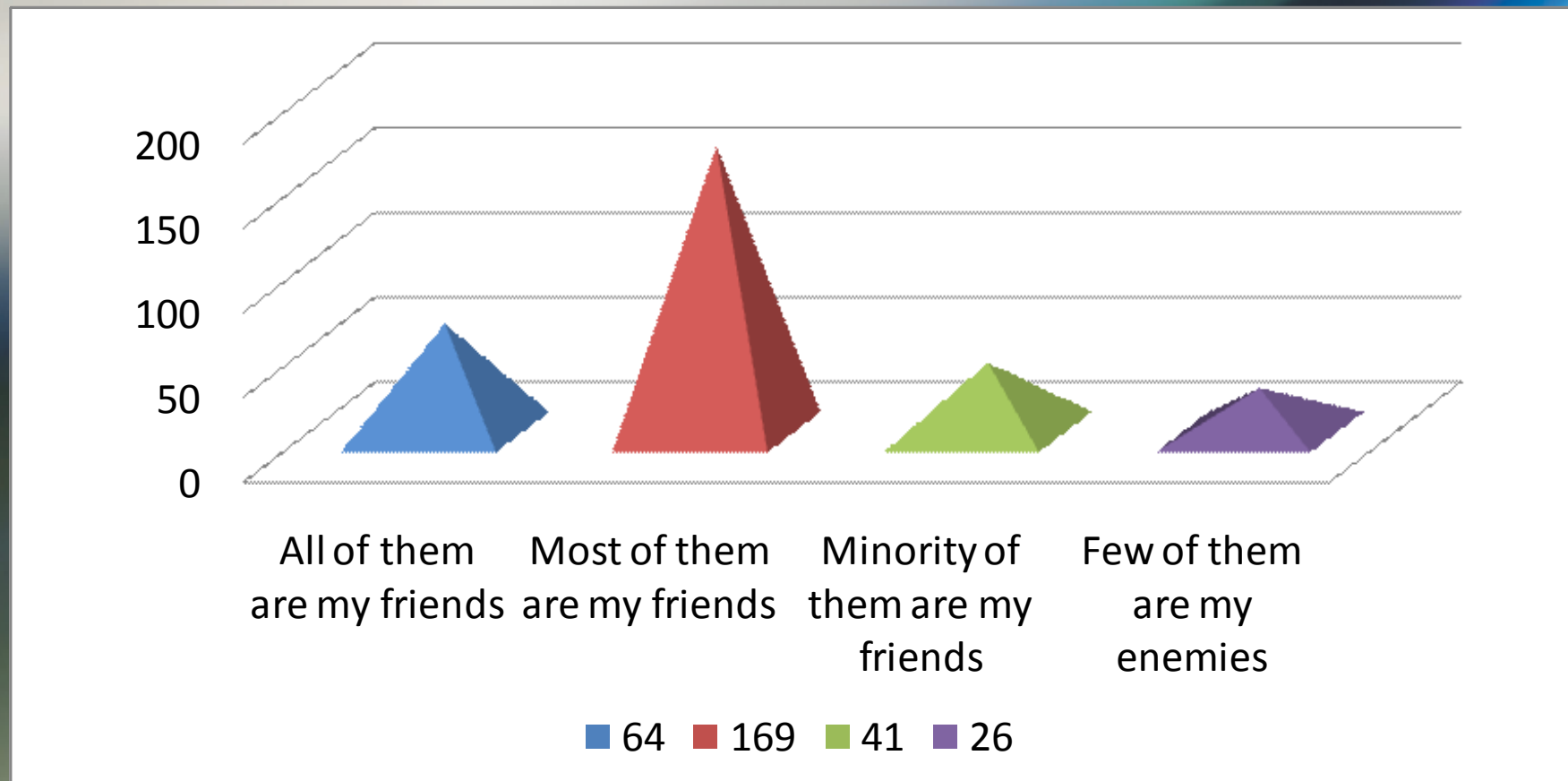
# RESEARCH: Why do you use several nicknames on the same forum? (Sample: 131 students)



**RESEARCH: Would you express same attitudes on forums and blogs if you would be signed with your real name and last name?  
(Sample: 278 students)**



# RESEARCH: What are your Facebook friends to you in your real life? (Sample: 300 students)



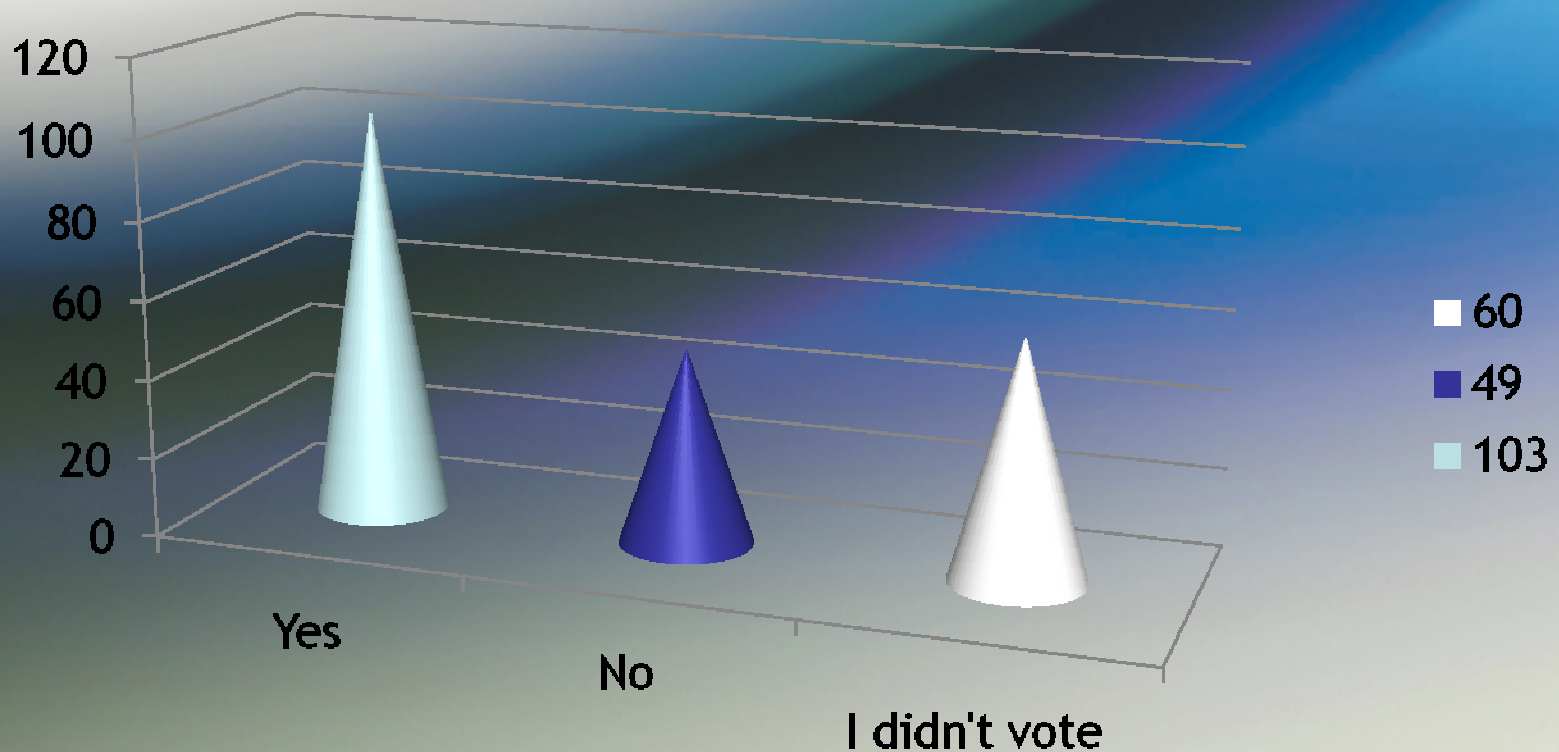
# RESEARCH: Why do you accept people who are not your real friends as Facebook friends? (Sample: 236 students)



# RESEARCH: Why do you join Facebook groups? (Sample: 300 students)



**RESEARCH: If you joined a Facebook group supporting a political party / option, did you vote for it in real life:  
(Sample: 212 students)**



# CONCLUSION

- Direct, non-representative democracy as a system of government was possible only in communities with small number of members.
- Small communities still have the opportunity to have direct democracy.

# CONCLUSION

- Representative democracy was conditioned by growth of communities in terms of area and numbers and in that form it prevails in the world today.
- It is not ideal because there is always a minority, elected by the majority, which governs the whole society.

# CONCLUSION

- Anarchy often comes up in theory as a potential authority solution, but in practice it brings only deterioration of previously existing values and social relationships.
- Anarchistic principle of letting everyone do whatever pleases him/her, even if it harms others, can't breed more human relationships or a wealthier society.

# CONCLUSION

- Virtual world isn't real and the community consists not only of individuals existing in real life, but also of:
  - their alter egos;
  - artificially created personalities;
  - bots, who act as real individuals despite they are just computer programs.

# CONCLUSION

- In great majority protected by anonymity, these individuals don't mind to harm others, in virtual and also in the real world by naming them.
- **They don't obey the principle of freedom which states that freedom of one stops when it starts harming other individuals so on current level of development E-democracy is just a wrongly used term for E-anarchy.**

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**THANK YOU  
FOR ATTENTION**