

# National Seat Status

Including notional seat status for NSW, Qld, Tas and WA – June 2010

This factsheet includes the seat status for all electoral divisions as a result of the 2007 Federal Election. In addition, it includes post-redistribution notional seat status for divisions in the territory and states which have undergone redistributions since the 2007 Federal Election.

The last entitlement determination was made on 17 February 2009. A total of 150 seats will be contested at the next federal election for the House of Representatives in accordance with the following table.

New South Wales	48 seats
Victoria	37 seats
Queensland	30 seats
Western Australia	15 seats
South Australia	11 seats
Tasmania	5 seats
ACT	2 seats
Northern Territory	2 seats

## Redistributions of electoral boundaries

Following the 2007 federal election, redistributions of federal electoral divisions were determined for the Northern Territory and Western Australia in 2008 and for New South Wales, Queensland and Tasmania in 2009.

Redistributions were conducted in the Northern Territory, Tasmania and Western Australia because seven years had passed since their last redistributions. There was no change to the number of divisions to which these states and territory were entitled. The redistribution redrew the boundaries to ensure similar numbers of electors in each division.

Redistributions of electoral boundaries were undertaken in New South Wales and Queensland following a change in their entitlement to seats in the House of Representatives owing to their comparatively significant population changes. The number of divisions in New South Wales decreased from 49 to 48. The redistribution resulted in changes to the boundaries in a majority of divisions, and the abolition of the then Division of Reid. Other changes were the renaming of the Division of Lowe to the Division of Reid and the Division of Prospect to the Division of McMahon.

The number of divisions in Queensland increased from 29 to 30. The redistribution resulted in changes to the boundaries of a majority of the divisions and the creation of a new division named the Division of Wright.

**Please note:** In the pages following, there are two tables for each of New South Wales, Queensland, Tasmania and Western Australia. The first of the tables shows data from the 2007 federal election and the second contains post-redistribution data.



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### **Notional seat status**

Following the conclusion of the redistribution process, the AEC has calculated the notional seat status of the redistributed electoral divisions, i.e. which party would have won the seats on the new boundaries had the 2007 voting patterns been repeated. These calculations will be used within the AEC's computer network at the next election, and in particular on election night, in order to determine swings. For example, votes received by candidates contesting the next federal election in Queensland will be compared against estimated votes for the new divisions following the redistribution and not those votes obtained for the Queensland divisions at the 2007 election (or any subsequent by-election).

### **How is status defined?**

Seat status is based on the two-party preferred vote count (TPP). The two-party preferred vote refers to the number of votes received by the Labor and Coalition candidates after a full distribution of preferences.

The AEC classifies seats using the following business rules: when a party receives less than 56 per cent of the vote the seat is classified as 'marginal' (M); between 56-60 per cent it is classified as 'fairly safe' (FS) and more than 60 per cent is classified 'safe' (S).

### **How is the TPP calculated after a redistribution?**

The estimated voting pattern of a redistributed electoral division is calculated by adjusting the percentage of votes cast at each polling place to take account of the position of the new boundaries.

## Election Results 2007–New South Wales

DIVISION	ALP	LP/NP	Elected	Status	TPP
Banks	61.08	38.92	ALP	S	ALP
Barton	62.10	37.90	ALP	S	ALP
Bennelong	51.40	48.60	ALP	M	ALP
Berowra	41.06	58.94	LP	FS	LP/NP
Blaxland	68.37	31.63	ALP	S	ALP
Bradfield	36.55	63.45	LP	S	LP/NP
Calare	37.95	62.05	NP	S	LP/NP
Charlton	62.87	37.13	ALP	S	ALP
Chifley	70.66	29.34	ALP	S	ALP
Cook	43.43	56.57	LP	FS	LP/NP
Cowper	48.77	51.23	NP	M	LP/NP
Cunningham	68.13	31.87	ALP	S	ALP
Dobell	53.90	46.10	ALP	M	ALP
Eden-Monaro	53.40	46.60	ALP	M	ALP
Farrer	38.83	61.17	LP	S	LP/NP
Fowler	68.25	31.75	ALP	S	ALP
Gilmore	45.93	54.07	LP	M	LP/NP
Grayndler	74.93	25.07	ALP	S	ALP
Greenway	45.50	54.50	LP	M	LP/NP
Hughes	47.84	52.16	LP	M	LP/NP
Hume	45.84	54.16	LP	M	LP/NP
Hunter	65.92	34.08	ALP	S	ALP
Kingsford Smith	63.29	36.71	ALP	S	ALP
Lindsay	56.78	43.22	ALP	FS	ALP
Lowe	57.37	42.63	ALP	FS	ALP
Lyne	41.42	58.58	NP	FS	LP/NP
Macarthur	49.28	50.72	LP	M	LP/NP
Mackellar	37.58	62.42	LP	S	LP/NP
Macquarie	57.04	42.96	ALP	FS	ALP
Mitchell	38.41	61.59	LP	S	LP/NP
New England*	35.20	64.80	IND	S	LP/NP
Newcastle	65.91	34.09	ALP	S	ALP
North Sydney	44.62	55.38	LP	M	LP/NP
Page	52.36	47.64	ALP	M	ALP
Parkes	36.96	63.04	NP	S	LP/NP
Parramatta	56.88	43.12	ALP	FS	ALP
Paterson	48.49	51.51	LP	M	LP/NP
Prospect	63.46	36.54	ALP	S	ALP
Reid	66.80	33.20	ALP	S	ALP
Richmond	58.87	41.13	ALP	FS	ALP
Riverina	33.77	66.23	NP	S	LP/NP
Robertson	50.11	49.89	ALP	M	ALP
Shortland	64.74	35.26	ALP	S	ALP
Sydney	69.50	30.50	ALP	S	ALP
Throsby	73.46	26.54	ALP	S	ALP
Warringah	40.50	59.50	LP	FS	LP/NP
Watson	70.33	29.67	ALP	S	ALP
Wentworth	46.15	53.85	LP	M	LP/NP
Werriwa	65.24	34.76	ALP	S	ALP

## Post Redistribution 2009–New South Wales

DIVISION	ALP	LP/NP	Notionally Elected	Status	TPP
Banks	60.37	39.63	ALP	S	ALP
Barton	64.94	35.06	ALP	S	ALP
Bennelong	51.40	48.60	ALP	M	ALP
Berowra	39.99	60.01	LP/NP	S	LP/NP
Blaxland	66.65	33.35	ALP	S	ALP
Bradfield	36.14	63.86	LP/NP	S	LP/NP
Calare	46.54	53.46	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Charlton	62.91	37.09	ALP	S	ALP
Chifley	69.68	30.32	ALP	S	ALP
Cook	43.66	56.34	LP/NP	FS	LP/NP
Cowper	48.76	51.24	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Cunningham	66.87	33.13	ALP	S	ALP
Dobell	53.93	46.07	ALP	M	ALP
Eden-Monaro	52.29	47.71	ALP	M	ALP
Farrer	38.81	61.19	LP/NP	S	LP/NP
Fowler	72.57	27.43	ALP	S	ALP
Gilmore <sup>#</sup>	50.41	49.59	ALP	M	ALP
Grayndler	74.85	25.15	ALP	S	ALP
Greenway <sup>#</sup>	55.67	44.33	ALP	M	ALP
Hughes	49.46	50.54	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Hume	44.65	55.35	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Hunter	65.68	34.32	ALP	S	ALP
Kingsford Smith	63.26	36.74	ALP	S	ALP
Lindsay	56.28	43.72	ALP	FS	ALP
Lyne	41.19	58.81	LP/NP	FS	LP/NP
Macarthur <sup>#</sup>	50.51	49.49	ALP	M	ALP
Mackellar	37.62	62.38	LP/NP	S	LP/NP
Macquarie	50.28	49.72	ALP	M	ALP
McMahon <sup>†</sup>	63.77	36.23	ALP	S	ALP
Mitchell	40.35	59.65	LP/NP	FS	LP/NP
New England <sup>*</sup>	35.16	64.84	IND	S	LP/NP
Newcastle	65.91	34.09	ALP	S	ALP
North Sydney	44.49	55.51	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Page	52.36	47.64	ALP	M	ALP
Parkes	36.33	63.67	LP/NP	S	LP/NP
Parramatta	59.86	40.14	ALP	FS	ALP
Paterson	49.42	50.58	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Reid <sup>†</sup>	60.84	39.16	ALP	S	ALP
Richmond	58.87	41.13	ALP	FS	ALP
Riverina	35.45	64.55	LP/NP	S	LP/NP
Robertson	50.09	49.91	ALP	M	ALP
Shortland	64.74	35.26	ALP	S	ALP
Sydney	69.32	30.68	ALP	S	ALP
Throsby	66.76	33.24	ALP	S	ALP
Warringah	41.22	58.78	LP/NP	FS	LP/NP
Watson	68.20	31.80	ALP	S	ALP
Wentworth	46.15	53.85	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Werriva	65.07	34.93	ALP	S	ALP

## Election Results 2007–Victoria

DIVISION	ALP	LP/NP	Elected	Status	TPP
Aston	44.95	55.05	LP	M	LP/NP
Ballarat	58.15	41.85	ALP	FS	ALP
Batman	75.95	24.05	ALP	S	ALP
Bendigo	56.13	43.87	ALP	FS	ALP
Bruce	58.32	41.68	ALP	FS	ALP
Calwell	69.33	30.67	ALP	S	ALP
Casey	44.07	55.93	LP	M	LP/NP
Chisholm	57.38	42.62	ALP	FS	ALP
Corangamite	50.85	49.15	ALP	M	ALP
Corio	58.93	41.07	ALP	FS	ALP
Deakin	51.41	48.59	ALP	M	ALP
Dunkley	45.96	54.04	LP	M	LP/NP
Flinders	41.75	58.25	LP	FS	LP/NP
Gellibrand	71.46	28.54	ALP	S	ALP
Gippsland	44.09	55.91	NP	M	LP/NP
Goldstein	43.95	56.05	LP	FS	LP/NP
Gorton	71.22	28.78	ALP	S	ALP
Higgins	42.96	57.04	LP	FS	LP/NP
Holt	61.63	38.37	ALP	S	ALP
Hotham	63.00	37.00	ALP	S	ALP
Indi	40.81	59.19	LP	FS	LP/NP
Isaacs	57.69	42.31	ALP	FS	ALP
Jagajaga	58.98	41.02	ALP	FS	ALP
Kooyong	40.47	59.53	LP	FS	LP/NP
La Trobe	49.49	50.51	LP	M	LP/NP
Lalor	65.53	34.47	ALP	S	ALP
Mallee	28.73	71.27	NP	S	LP/NP
Maribyrnong	65.32	34.68	ALP	S	ALP
McEwen	49.98	50.02	LP	M	LP/NP
McMillan	45.21	54.79	LP	M	LP/NP
Melbourne*	72.27	27.73	ALP	M	ALP
Melbourne Ports	57.15	42.85	ALP	FS	ALP
Menzies	43.98	56.02	LP	FS	LP/NP
Murray	31.74	68.26	LP	S	LP/NP
Scullin	70.85	29.15	ALP	S	ALP
Wannon	42.53	57.47	LP	FS	LP/NP
Wills	72.41	27.59	ALP	S	ALP

**Election Results 2007–Queensland**

DIVISION	ALP	LP/NP	Elected	Status	TPP
Blair	54.48	45.52	ALP	M	ALP
Bonner	54.53	45.47	ALP	M	ALP
Bowman	49.96	50.04	LP	M	LP/NP
Brisbane	56.76	43.24	ALP	FS	ALP
Capricornia	62.71	37.29	ALP	S	ALP
Dawson	53.21	46.79	ALP	M	ALP
Dickson	49.87	50.13	LP	M	LP/NP
Fadden	39.80	60.20	LP	S	LP/NP
Fairfax	46.99	53.01	LP	M	LP/NP
Fisher	46.90	53.10	LP	M	LP/NP
Flynn	50.16	49.84	ALP	M	ALP
Forde	52.91	47.09	ALP	M	ALP
Griffith	62.32	37.68	ALP	S	ALP
Groom	41.78	58.22	LP	FS	LP/NP
Herbert	49.79	50.21	LP	M	LP/NP
Hinkler	48.31	51.69	NP	M	LP/NP
Kennedy*	42.49	57.51	IND	FS	LP/NP
Leichhardt	54.03	45.97	ALP	M	ALP
Lilley	58.59	41.41	ALP	FS	ALP
Longman	53.57	46.43	ALP	M	ALP
Maranoa	35.56	64.44	NP	S	LP/NP
McPherson	41.17	58.83	LP	FS	LP/NP
Moncrieff	35.99	64.01	LP	S	LP/NP
Moreton	54.75	45.25	ALP	M	ALP
Oxley	64.13	35.87	ALP	S	ALP
Petrie	52.05	47.95	ALP	M	ALP
Rankin	61.74	38.26	ALP	S	ALP
Ryan	46.18	53.82	LP	M	LP/NP
Wide Bay	41.53	58.47	NP	FS	LP/NP

**Post Redistribution 2009–Queensland**

DIVISION	ALP	LP/NP	Notionally Elected	Status	TPP
Blair	56.98	43.02	ALP	FS	ALP
Bonner	54.53	45.47	ALP	M	ALP
Bowman	50.00	50.00	LP/NP	M	
Brisbane	54.60	45.40	ALP	M	ALP
Capricornia	62.08	37.92	ALP	S	ALP
Dawson	52.59	47.41	ALP	M	ALP
Dickson <sup>#</sup>	50.76	49.24	ALP	M	ALP
Fadden	39.57	60.43	LP/NP	S	LP/NP
Fairfax	47.03	52.97	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Fisher	46.47	53.53	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Flynn	52.24	47.76	ALP	M	ALP
Forde	53.36	46.64	ALP	M	ALP
Griffith	62.32	37.68	ALP	S	ALP
Groom	41.78	58.22	LP/NP	FS	LP/NP
Herbert <sup>#</sup>	50.03	49.97	ALP	M	ALP
Hinkler	48.48	51.52	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Kennedy <sup>*</sup>	42.71	57.29	IND	FS	LP/NP
Leichhardt	54.06	45.94	ALP	M	ALP
Lilley	57.95	42.05	ALP	FS	ALP
Longman	51.87	48.13	ALP	M	ALP
Maranoa	35.94	64.06	LP/NP	S	LP/NP
McPherson	41.35	58.65	LP/NP	FS	LP/NP
Moncrieff	36.20	63.80	LP/NP	S	LP/NP
Moreton	56.01	43.99	ALP	FS	ALP
Oxley	61.34	38.66	ALP	S	ALP
Petrie	54.21	45.79	ALP	M	ALP
Rankin	61.67	38.33	ALP	S	ALP
Ryan	48.79	51.21	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Wide Bay	41.61	58.39	LP/NP	FS	LP/NP
Wright	46.21	53.79	LP/NP	M	LP/NP

**Election Results 2007–Western Australia**

DIVISION	ALP	LP/NP	Elected	Status	TPP
Brand	55.62	44.38	ALP	M	ALP
Canning	44.42	55.58	LP	M	LP/NP
Cowan	48.29	51.71	LP	M	LP/NP
Curtin	36.43	63.57	LP	S	LP/NP
Forrest	44.17	55.83	LP	M	LP/NP
Fremantle	59.14	40.86	ALP	FS	ALP
Hasluck	51.26	48.74	ALP	M	ALP
Kalgoorlie	47.42	52.58	LP	M	LP/NP
Moore	40.83	59.17	LP	FS	LP/NP
O'Connor	33.45	66.55	LP	S	LP/NP
Pearce	40.93	59.07	LP	FS	LP/NP
Perth	58.85	41.15	ALP	FS	ALP
Stirling	48.71	51.29	LP	M	LP/NP
Swan	49.89	50.11	LP	M	LP/NP
Tangney	41.32	58.68	LP	FS	LP/NP

**Post Redistribution 2008–Western Australia**

DIVISION	ALP	LP/NP	Notionally Elected	Status	TPP
Brand	55.98	44.02	ALP	M	ALP
Canning	45.65	54.35	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Cowan	48.72	51.28	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Curtin	36.74	63.26	LP/NP	S	LP/NP
Durack	42.35	57.65	LP/NP	FS	LP/NP
Forrest	44.52	55.48	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Fremantle	59.14	40.86	ALP	FS	ALP
Hasluck	50.85	49.15	ALP	M	ALP
Moore	41.07	58.93	LP/NP	FS	LP/NP
O'Connor	37.24	62.76	LP/NP	S	LP/NP
Pearce	42.31	57.69	LP/NP	FS	LP/NP
Perth	57.94	42.06	ALP	FS	ALP
Stirling	48.73	51.27	LP/NP	M	LP/NP
Swan <sup>#</sup>	50.27	49.73	ALP	M	ALP
Tangney	40.19	59.81	LP/NP	FS	LP/NP

**Election Results 2007–South Australia**

DIVISION	ALP	LP/NP	Elected	Status	TPP
Adelaide	58.53	41.47	ALP	FS	ALP
Barker	40.55	59.45	LP	FS	LP/NP
Boothby	47.07	52.93	LP	M	LP/NP
Grey	45.57	54.43	LP	M	LP/NP
Hindmarsh	55.05	44.95	ALP	M	ALP
Kingston	54.42	45.58	ALP	M	ALP
Makin	57.70	42.30	ALP	FS	ALP
Mayo	42.94	57.06	LP	FS	LP/NP
Port Adelaide	69.75	30.25	ALP	S	ALP
Sturt	49.06	50.94	LP	M	LP/NP
Wakefield	56.59	43.41	ALP	FS	ALP

**Election Results 2007–Tasmania**

DIVISION	ALP	LP/NP	Elected	Status	TPP
Bass	51.00	49.00	ALP	M	ALP
Braddon	51.44	48.56	ALP	M	ALP
Denison	65.63	34.37	ALP	S	ALP
Franklin	54.48	45.52	ALP	M	ALP
Lyons	58.78	41.22	ALP	FS	ALP

### Post Redistribution 2009–Tasmania

DIVISION	ALP	LP/NP	Notionally Elected	Status	TPP
Bass	51.03	48.97	ALP	M	ALP
Braddon	52.32	47.68	ALP	M	ALP
Denison	65.29	34.71	ALP	S	ALP
Franklin	54.03	45.97	ALP	M	ALP
Lyons	58.34	41.66	ALP	FS	ALP

### Election Results 2007–Australian Capital Territory

DIVISION	ALP	LP/NP	Elected	Status	TPP
Canberra	61.82	38.18	ALP	S	ALP
Fraser	65.07	34.93	ALP	S	ALP

### Election Results 2007–Northern Territory

DIVISION	ALP	LP/NP	Elected	Status	TPP
Lingiari	61.16	38.84	ALP	S	ALP
Solomon	50.19	49.81	ALP	M	ALP

#### Explanatory notes

\* TPP (two-party-preferred vote count) is usually the same as TCP (two-candidate-preferred vote count), however they are different when the final two candidates are not ALP and Coalition candidates. This is referred to as 'non-classic' TCP.

At the 2007 election in the divisions of Kennedy, Melbourne and New England, the final two candidates in the count were not from the ALP and the Coalition. In these divisions, a further scrutiny for information was conducted for statistical purposes. This count allocated votes to the ALP and leading Coalition party candidates using the next available preference on the ballot papers to show what the result of the count would have been had these candidates been the two leading candidates.

For those divisions where the candidates in the TCP vote count were not both ALP and Coalition candidates, the TCP results were:

<b>NSW</b>	New England	Ind: 74.33	NP: 25.67	Redistribution 2009	Safe Independent
<b>VIC</b>	Melbourne	ALP: 54.71	Aus. Greens: 45.29	Election Result 2007	Marginal Labor
<b>QLD</b>	Kennedy	Ind: 66.29	ALP: 33.71	Redistribution 2009	Safe Independent

# These are divisions, post 2008/2009 redistributions, whose notional seat status indicates a change from one party to another.

† The 2009 redistribution of the electoral boundaries in New South Wales resulted in the abolition of the former Division of Reid, the renaming of the Division of Lowe to the Division of Reid and the renaming of the Division of Prospect to the Division of McMahon.

#### Further Information

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