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Close of Rolls

Introduction

1. *Electoral Newsfiles* are published by the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) to provide basic electoral facts for the information and guidance of all interested parties.
2. This *Newsfile* provides information in relation to the close of rolls for the 2007 federal election and its contents are a guide only. If you are in doubt about the interpretation of the electoral law in particular circumstances you should seek your own independent legal advice.
3. This *Newsfile* covers
 - Electoral enrolment
 - 2007 federal election
 - Close of rolls figures
 - Close of rolls figures by division
 - State and territory age close of rolls figures
4. The *Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918* (the Act) is available on the Attorney-General's Commonwealth Law website at www.comlaw.gov.au.

Electoral enrolment

5. The Commonwealth Electoral Roll lists the names and addresses of all people who have enrolled to vote at federal elections. With some qualifications, enrolment and voting is compulsory in federal elections and referendums for all Australian citizens who are 18 years of age or over.

6. British subjects who were enrolled as at 25 January 1984 are qualified to enrol and vote. People who are 17 may provisionally enrol and are able to vote if their 18th birthday falls on or before election day. Prisoners, other than those serving a sentence of three years or longer, are entitled to enrol and vote.
7. The rolls closed at 8 pm on the **third working day*** after the date of the writs. There were **two different deadlines for enrolling**, as set out below:
 - **8 pm on the same day (Wednesday 17 October 2007)** the writs were issued for those who were enrolling for **the first time or re-enrolling**;
 - **8 pm on the third working day (Tuesday 23 October 2007)** after the writs were issued for those who:
 - are 17 but will turn 18 between the day after the issue of the writs and election day (inclusive); or
 - will become an Australian citizen between the day after the issue of the writs and the day before election day (inclusive); or
 - were **on the roll**, but with an **out-of-date** address or name details.

* A public holiday (Show Day) on Flinders Island (TAS) fell during the close of rolls. It necessitated that the close of rolls deadline be moved a day to 8 pm, Tuesday 23 October 2007.

2007 federal election

8. The roll for the 2007 federal election closed at 8pm on Tuesday 23 October 2007.

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9. These figures are calculated as at close of rolls 8pm, Tuesday 23 October 2007 and also include those 17 year old electors who will turn 18 on or before the close of polling on Saturday 24 November 2007.

10. These figures do not include people becoming new citizens between the day after the issue of the writs and the day before election day (inclusive). Entitlement is later verified once evidence of citizenship is provided.

Close of rolls figures

State/Territory	2007	2004	2001	1998
New South Wales	4 495 336	4 302 122	4 204 383	4 031 749
Victoria	3 442 096	3 292 409	3 218 746	3 056 887
Queensland	2 612 300	2 463 402	2 319 481	2 177 556
Western Australia	1 312 942	1 237 349	1 200 438	1 140 845
South Australia	1 075 968	1 049 814	1 034 377	1 006 398
Tasmania	349 788	339 589	328 829	329 751
Australian Capital Territory	238 742	224 896	219 876	208 684
Northern Territory	117 901	111 649	110 501	104 755
AUSTRALIA	13 645 073	13 021 230	12 636 631	12 056 625

Close of rolls figures are calculated following the processing of all enrolment applications received before close of rolls and include 17 year olds who will be 18 on or before election day.

Close of rolls figures by division

NEW SOUTH WALES	
Division	Enrolment
BANKS	92 726
BARTON	91 393
BENNELONG	97 573
BEROWRA	91 685
BLAXLAND	91 770
BRADFIELD	93 396
CALARE	89 080
CHARLTON	91 129
CHIFLEY	92 506
COOK	93 396
COWPER	92 767
CUNNINGHAM	91 663
DOBELL	90 328
EDEN-MONARO	91 610
FARRER	93 926
FOWLER	89 166
GILMORE	87 536

NEW SOUTH WALES	
Division	Enrolment
GRAYNDLER	95 042
GREENWAY	88 213
HUGHES	91 175
HUME	90 461
HUNTER	90 202
KINGSFORD SMITH	97 235
LINDSAY	90 349
LOWE	87 153
LYNE	86 784
MACARTHUR	84 645
MACKELLAR	92 411
MACQUARIE	94 670
MITCHELL	88 417
NEWCASTLE	93 455
NEW ENGLAND	91 395
NORTH SYDNEY	94 163

NEW SOUTH WALES	
Division	Enrolment
PAGE	93 426
PARKES	89 704
PARRAMATTA	96 208
PATERSON	90 504
PROSPECT	90 624
REID	92 648
RICHMOND	90 018
RIVERINA	91 364
ROBERTSON	94 334
SHORTLAND	93 192
SYDNEY	87 896
THROSBY	88 501
WARRINGAH	94 253
WATSON	94 661
WENTWORTH	100 276
WERRIWA	90 307
Total	4 495 336

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VICTORIA	
Division	Enrolment
ASTON	91 766
BALLARAT	93 624
BATMAN	88 052
BENDIGO	97 197
BRUCE	88 393
CALWELL	95 622
CASEY	89 313
CHISHOLM	86 128
CORANGAMITE	96 155
CORIO	90 454
DEAKIN	87 711
DUNKLEY	93 168
FLINDERS	95 608
GELLIBRAND	93 277
GIPPSLAND	94 882
GOLDSTEIN	92 014
GORTON	104 462
HIGGINS	89 333
HOLT	100 884
HOTHAM	88 669
INDI	90 871
ISAACS	98 182
JAGAJAGA	93 765
KOOYONG	88 324
LALOR	103 761
LA TROBE	92 029
MCEWEN	104 509
MCMILLAN	87 092
MALLEE	90 112
MARIBYRNONG	87 484
MELBOURNE	98 449
MELBOURNE PORTS	95 935
MENZIES	89 968
MURRAY	88 890
SCULLIN	88 924
WANNON	90 904
WILLS	96 185
Total	3 442 096

QUEENSLAND	
Division	Enrolment
BLAIR	90 977
BONNER	90 381
BOWMAN	88 977
BRISBANE	91 705

QUEENSLAND	
Division	Enrolment
CAPRICORNIA	92 707
DAWSON	87 394
DICKSON	89 360
FADDEN	92 909
FAIRFAX	90 231
FISHER	86 767
FLYNN	87 982
FORDE	87 180
GRIFFITH	91 069
GROOM	89 917
HERBERT	90 756
HINKLER	90 093
KENNEDY	91 685
LEICHHARDT	94 271
LILLEY	90 757
LONGMAN	89 815
MCPHERSON	92 324
MARANOVA	86 754
MONCRIEFF	91 624
MORETON	88 217
OXLEY	89 247
PETRIE	90 092
RANKIN	89 650
RYAN	90 513
WIDE BAY	88 946
Total	2 612 300

WESTERN AUSTRALIA	
Division	Enrolment
BRAND	91 961
CANNING	94 679
COWAN	93 407
CURTIN	86 104
FORREST	93 678
FREMANTLE	89 014
HASLUCK	82 331
KALGOORLIE	80 773
MOORE	76 761
O'CONNOR	84 455
PEARCE	94 523
PERTH	88 165
STIRLING	91 120
SWAN	81 714
TANGNEY	84 257
Total	1 312 942

SOUTH AUSTRALIA	
Division	Enrolment
ADELAIDE	96 723
BARKER	102 626
BOOTHBY	96 236
GREY	98 074
HINDMARSH	98 942
KINGSTON	97 912
MAKIN	94 934
MAYO	96 401
PORT ADELAIDE	100 244
STURT	98 154
WAKEFIELD	95 722
Total	1 075 968

TASMANIA	
Division	Enrolment
BASS	68 967
BRADDON	71 022
DENISON	68 881
FRANKLIN	72 542
LYONS	68 376
Total	349 788

AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY	
Division	Enrolment
CANBERRA	122 401
FRASER	116 341
Total	238 742

NORTHERN TERRITORY	
Division	Enrolment
LINGIARI	60 341
SOLOMON	57 560
Total	117 901

These figures include 15 646 enrolled 17 year olds who will turn 18 on or before election day.

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State and territory age close of rolls figures

Ages	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	ACT	NT	Total
18*	71 499	50 398	37 123	19 840	15 655	5 569	4 060	1 501	205 645
19	72 342	55 941	40 991	21 195	16 060	5 616	4 453	1 634	218 232
20-24	353 004	280 373	219 691	112 334	83 832	27 368	23 765	11 623	1 111 990
25-29	346 171	273 148	211 077	106 031	77 336	24 037	23 848	13 080	1 074 728
30-34	375 004	293 846	221 465	108 846	81 125	25 416	22 983	13 678	1 142 363
35-39	421 379	335 912	249 329	125 134	95 173	30 690	24 291	14 511	1 296 419
40-44	412 916	321 956	243 300	123 685	96 769	30 856	22 582	13 011	1 265 075
45-49	440 747	334 215	257 823	131 339	105 459	35 206	23 293	12 660	1 340 742
50-54	409 343	309 548	239 266	125 662	100 018	33 394	21 675	11 473	1 250 379
55-59	381 156	287 953	228 629	116 202	95 372	32 174	20 250	9 433	1 171 169
60-64	333 667	247 883	198 662	95 300	83 732	28 423	15 699	6 490	1 009 856
65-69	252 547	188 359	145 330	70 921	62 066	21 484	10 335	4 047	755 089
70+	625 561	462 564	319 614	156 453	163 371	49 555	21 508	4 760	1 803 386
Total	4 495 336	3 442 096	2 612 300	1 312 942	1 075 968	349 788	238 742	117 901	13 645 073

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