

Electoral Newsfile

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Nominations details

	Seats to be contested	Total nominations	1987 Total (full Senate)
Senate			
NSW	6	62	50
VIC	6	38	52
QLD	6	33	36
WA	6	30	45
SA	6	26	31
TAS	6	16	21
ACT	2	12	11
NT	2	6	9
House			
NSW	51	284	189
VIC	38	188	173
QLD	24	111	98
WA	14	92	49
SA	13	69	73
TAS	5	20	14
ACT	2	11	14
NT	1	7	3

- A total of 1005 candidates have nominated for election to the Senate and the House of Representatives.
- The 40 Senate vacancies will be contested by 223 candidates.
- In the House of Representatives elections, 782 candidates are standing for 148 seats.

Further information providing a breakdown of candidates by State and party will be published in Newsfile No 5, Tues. 13.

Election Blackout

The "election blackout" provisions are found in s116(4) of the Broadcasting Act 1942. A "blackout" applies from midnight on the Wednesday prior to polling day to the close of the poll on polling day. The "blackout" applies to "election advertisements" which are defined as follows:

- "(a) an advertisement -
- that contains election matter that relates to that election; and
 - in respect of the broadcasting of which the relevant licensee has received or is to receive, directly or indirectly, any money or other consideration;
- (b) an announcement containing a statement to the effect that a program that is to be or has been broadcast is or was sponsored by a particular person or persons and indicating that the person is a candidate, or one or more of the persons is or are candidates, at the election; or
- (c) an announcement containing a statement to the effect that a program that is to be or has been broadcast is or was sponsored by a particular political party, where a candidate at the election belongs to that political party" (s116(6)).

Due to changes made by the Broadcasting Amendment Bill No.3 of 1987 the blackout provisions now apply to internal and external Territories as well as the States.

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SA	(08) 237 6555
WA	(09) 470 7299
TAS	(002) 204 194
NT	(089) 811 477

Previous close of rolls enrolment figures

STATE	1984	1987	1990
NSW	3,424,032	3,555,060	3,607,349
VIC	2,614,383	2,698,043	2,766,263
QLD	1,555,600	1,707,161	1,795,406
SA	906,278	942,840	963,686
WA	859,623	906,677	978,147
TAS	290,028	300,763	307,846
ACT	150,416	162,717	169,531
NT	68,857	79,921	78,647
AUST	9,869,217	10,353,182	10,666,875

Informality - Past elections

SENATE

	1980	1983	1984	1987
NSW	9.4	11.1	5.6	4.9
VIC	11.1	10.7	4.2	4.0
Qld	9.2	8.6	3.3	3.1
SA	8.7	8.8	5.4	3.3
WA	9.9	7.8	4.7	3.7
TAS	7.4	7.4	5.7	3.8
ACT	2.8	3.2	3.1	2.3
NT	7.3	4.7	3.2	3.7
AUST	9.6	9.9	4.7	4.0

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NSW	2.4	2.2	5.7	4.6
VIC	2.7	2.2	7.6	5.2
Qld	1.8	1.3	4.4	3.4
SA	2.8	2.7	8.3	6.5
WA	2.7	2.0	7.1	6.8
TAS	2.6	2.3	5.9	4.9
ACT	2.1	2.2	4.7	3.5
NT	4.9	4.4	4.6	5.7
AUST	2.5	2.1	6.4	4.9

Ticket voting - Senate 1987

Use of Ticket Voting squares, Senate election 1987

NSW	83.83%
VIC	90.38%
Qld	88.02%
WA	88.09%
SA	92.92%
TAS	68.29%
ACT	69.17%
NT	77.40%
AUST	86.71%

Voter turnout - past elections

1977	Referendum	92.55%
1977	Election	95.31%
1980	Election	94.35%
1983	Election	94.64%
1984	Election and Referendum	94.09%
1987	Election	94.33%
1988	Referendum	92.50%

Categories of Informality - House 1987

	Blank	Writing/ Scribble	Ticks, Crosses	Defective numbering
NSW	16.07	9.2	31.54	42.39
VIC	15.88	11.88	22.49	49.35
QLD	11.97	10.37	24.78	52.38
WA	14.90	7.47	20.48	56.72
SA	20.34	11.05	20.10	48.07
TAS	16.76	10.47	27.12	45.19
ACT	18.39	14.77	21.60	41.74
NT	13.74	12.68	32.90	40.42
AUS	15.92	10.19	25.30	48.01

Close of rolls enrolment figures

DIVISION	1987	1990			
<i>New South Wales</i>			Sydney	71 744	67 443
Banks	68 051	67 564	Throsby	64 661	69 775
Barton	72 328	70 377	Warringah	71 430	67 268
Bennelong	70 116	68 724	Wentworth	68 865	64 324
Berowra	70 744	70 535	Werriwa	75 055	80 223
Blaxland	68 167	67 803			
Bradfield	69 680	69 093	State Total	3 555 060	3 607 349
Calare	69 959	71 995	<i>Victoria</i>		
Charlton	68 439	71 685	Aston	69 826	72 324
Chifley	69 038	73 088	Ballarat	71 787	70 837
Cook	69 149	68 627	Batman	65 659	75 000
Cowper	72 948	78 761	Bendigo	72 048	73 392
Cunningham	66 896	67 096	Bruce	65 959	73 809
Dobell	69 308	77 187	Burke	73 259	67 977
Dundas	68 705	66 621	Calwell	69 284	71 635
Eden-Monaro	69 740	74 802	Casey	69 556	72 473
Farrer	72 443	72 565	Chisholm	69 789	76 092
Fowler	66 945	71 099	Corangamite	72 508	71 142
Gilmore	66 684	71 712	Corinella		70 167
Grayndler	71 190	67 053	Corio	67 840	74 261
Greenway	65 972	67 183	Deakin	68 298	74 010
Gwydir	68 719	68 500	Dunkley	67 075	71 002
Hughes	69 519	73 766	Flinders	74 709	68 382
Hume	69 696	70 093	Gellibrand	69 095	74 670
Hunter	69 734	72 870	Gippsland	71 339	73 251
Kingsford-Smith	72 765	68 796	Goldstein	71 083	76 649
Lindsay	68 948	71 425	Henty	68 263	
Lowe	71 252	68 499	Higgins	68 362	74 449
Lyne	70 787	80 171	Holt	65 410	67 183
Macarthur	67 361	70 184	Hotham	70 613	73 571
Mackellar	69 331	67 974	Indi	72 772	71 234
Macquarie	66 489	71 142	Isaacs	67 597	74 626
Mitchell	69 258	75 767	Jagajaga	64 209	70 281
Newcastle	66 331	66 642	Kooyong	68 428	72 832
New England	72 581	73 237	Lalor	74 164	69 047
North Sydney	71 647	65 151	La Trobe	68 009	72 574
Page	69 016	74 866	McEwen	69 510	71 590
Parkes	69 038	69 063	McMillan	68 050	75 064
Parramatta	69 345	66 903	Mallee	70 240	75 612
Phillip	74 011	69 188	Maribyrnong	67 151	73 271
Prospect	74 534	75 573	Melbourne	69 140	74 749
Reid	71 180	68 521	Melbourne Ports	72 400	73 661
Richmond	67 224	73 283	Menzies	67 453	70 677
Riverina-Darling	65 774	64 896	Murray	70 127	74 184
Robertson	70 823	76 858	Scullin	62 501	73 065
St George	70 282	68 843	Streeton	67 637	
Shortland	71 158	72 535	Wannon	68 783	76 052
			Wills	68 101	75 468
			State Total	2 698 043	2 766 263

Queensland

Bowman	71 816	80 553
Brisbane	70 080	68 281
Capricornia	69 386	69 775
Dawson	72 172	74 456
Fadden	65 983	69 110
Fairfax	69 941	84 678
Fisher	74 672	86 577
Forde	66 208	69 631
Griffith	72 083	69 846
Groom	72 279	75 387
Herbert	75 268	76 206
Hinkler	70 223	73 874
Kennedy	71 340	71 958
Leichhardt	72 066	77 206
Lilley	71 322	69 844
McPherson	80 774	87 984
Maranoa	71 814	71 293
Moncrieff	72 653	84 886
Moreton	68 544	67 452
Oxley	67 971	68 482
Petrie	72 824	74 269
Rankin	67 076	74 723
Ryan	73 496	75 582
Wide Bay	67 170	73 353
State Total	1 707 161	1 795 406

Adelaide	75 488	73 578
Barker	71 839	72 711
Bonython	72 287	75 951
Boothby	73 174	74 882
Grey	70 645	69 255
Hawker	72 702	70 843
Hindmarsh	73 693	73 213
Kingston	70 078	75 507
Makin	70 106	74 892
Mayo	73 697	79 518
Port Adelaide	73 195	73 666
Sturt	72 077	72 479
Wakefield	73 899	77 191
State Total	942 840	963 686

Tasmania

Bass	60 049	60 760
Braddon	59 813	60 744
Denison	60 827	60 553
Franklin	60 005	62 681
Lyons	60 069	63 108
State Total	300 763	307 846

Western Australia

Brand	70 141	69 445
Canning	67 828	65 081
Cowan	70 402	66 306
Curtin	70 033	74 025
Forrest	70 448	70 434
Fremantle	68 825	71 754
Kalgoorlie	70 838	69 135
Moore	69 964	65 924
O'Connor	70 064	73 325
Pearce		67 170
Perth	70 958	73 640
Stirling	68 469	72 007
Swan	68 327	72 279
Tangney	70 380	67 622
State Total	906 677	978 147

Australian Capital Territory

Canberra	78 608	84 910
Fraser	84 109	84 621
State Total	162 717	169 531

Northern Territory

Average Enrolment	79 921	78 647
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TOTAL FOR AUSTRALIA

10 353 182 10 666 875

South Australia