The 2009 Proposed Redistribution of New South Wales into Electoral Divisions

Report of the Redistribution Committee

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- Sheet 1 Calare, Cowper, Eden-Monaro, Farrer, Gilmore, Hume, Hunter, Lyne, New England, Page, Parkes, Paterson, Richmond and Riverina.
- Sheet 2 Charlton, Dobell, Greenway, Macquarie, Newcastle, Robertson and Shortland.
- Sheet 3 Cook, Cunningham, Hughes, Macarthur, Throsby and Werriwa.
- Sheet 4 Banks, Barton, Bennelong, Berowra, Blaxland, Bradfield, Chifley, Fowler, Grayndler, Kingsford Smith, Lindsay, Mackellar, McMahon, Mitchell, North Sydney, Parramatta, Prospect, Sydney, Warringah, Watson and Wentworth.
- CD Containing the public suggestions received and comments received on those suggestions.

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Executive Summary

- 1. On 17 February 2009, the Electoral Commissioner made a determination on state and territory representation entitlements under section 48(1) of the *Commonwealth Electoral Act* 1918 (the Electoral Act). Under the determination, New South Wales is entitled to 48 members of the House of Representatives, one less than its previous entitlement.
- 2. In considering options for the redistribution of divisional boundaries, the Redistribution Committee (the Committee) sought to ensure its proposal took into account and reflected a full and proper consideration of all the factors brought before it as required by the Electoral Act. These factors included actual and projected enrolment figures, and suggestions and comments. The Committee also sought, wherever possible, to unite communities of interest and use clearly identifiable features as divisional boundaries.
- 3. New South Wales has experienced low population growth relative to the national average. Inland areas of the state are growing more slowly in both population and enrolment compared to the rest of New South Wales. Alterations to existing boundaries are required in order to achieve relative equality of enrolments at the projection time as required by the Electoral Act.
- 4. The Committee noted that the loss of one division would necessarily result in the need to consider adjustments to boundaries throughout the state. Twelve of the existing 49 divisions require additional electors to satisfy the numerical requirements of the Electoral Act. Two provincial divisions (Cunningham and Throsby) and six rural divisions (Calare, Gilmore, Lyne, New England, Parkes and Riverina) are below the 3.5% numerical tolerance range and need to gain electors. Furthermore, three outer metropolitan divisions (Berowra, Fowler and Hughes) and an inner metropolitan division (Lowe) are below the 3.5% range and must also gain electors.
- 5. Reid, situated in the middle of the metropolitan area, is the only division above the permissible tolerance range and therefore must lose electors.
- 6. The Committee reasoned that those divisions with relatively low projected enrolment should source the supplementation they need from areas with relatively high projected enrolment. As a consequence the metropolitan areas became the major source of supplementation. A number of consequential changes to existing boundaries were then necessary, with only the Division of Wentworth remaining unchanged in the metropolitan area. The cumulative effect of this supplementation strategy was the abolition of the existing Division of Reid.

- 7. The Committee believed it appropriate, in light of the breadth of changes to the Division of Lowe, which adjoined Reid, to take this opportunity to rename this division. The Committee has proposed renaming the division McMahon, in recognition of the outstanding service provided to Australia by the late Prime Minister, Sir William McMahon.
- 8. The Committee's approach resulted in the existing number of rural and regional electoral divisions being maintained. The divisions of Richmond, Shortland and Farrer remained unchanged, while the boundaries of the other rural and regional divisions were adjusted to meet the numerical requirements.

Direction for a redistribution of New South Wales electoral divisions

- 9. Section 59(2) of the Electoral Act provides that a redistribution shall be directed whenever a determination under section 48(1) of the Electoral Act results in an alteration of the number of members of the House of Representatives to be chosen in a state. Consequently, on 19 February 2009, the Australian Electoral Commission (the Electoral Commission), directed by notice published in the Commonwealth Government Gazette (the Gazette)¹, that a redistribution was to commence in New South Wales.
- 10. At the end of 19 February 2009, the number of electors enrolled in New South Wales was 4 528 940. Redistribution statistics, which show the detailed electoral enrolment figures as at 19 February 2009, were made available on the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) website. In addition, copies were available at the New South Wales State Office of the AEC in Sydney. The statistics were given at the following levels:
 - Census Collection District (CCD)
 - Statistical Local Area (SLA)
 - Electoral Division
 - State.

Quota

11. Under section 65 of the Electoral Act, the Electoral Commissioner determined that the quota of electors for New South Wales was 94 353 (4 528 940 divided by 48 members). Thus, the permitted range of 10% below and above the quota is from 84 918 to 103 788 respectively as at 19 February 2009. In making its proposals for the state, the Redistribution Committee is not permitted to propose divisions whose elector numbers fall outside that range. (Table 1)

¹ Commonwealth of Australia Gazette No. S 30, Thursday, 19 February 2009

Table 1: Determination of the quota

Number of divisions into which New South Wales is to be distributed	48
Number of electors in New South Wales as at 19 February 2009	4 528 940
Quota for New South Wales	94 353
Permissible maximum number of electors (+10%) in a division	103 788
Permissible minimum number of electors (-10%) in a division	84 918

Enrolment projections

- 12. Section 66(3)(a) of the Electoral Act requires the Committee to "...as far as practicable, endeavour to ensure that, if the State or Territory were redistributed in accordance with the proposed redistribution, the number of electors enrolled in each Electoral Division in the State or Territory would not, at the projection time determined under section 63A be less than 96.5% or more than 103.5% of the average divisional enrolment of that State or Territory at that time..."
- 13. In accordance with section 63A(3) of the Electoral Act, the Electoral Commission was of the opinion that, based on the trend of population change as estimated by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), a further redistribution of New South Wales may be required sooner than seven years after the starting time for the projection (22 December 2009). Therefore the Electoral Commission has determined that the projection time for New South Wales is 16 July 2012, which is half way between the starting time for the projection and the time when in the opinion of the Electoral Commission a further redistribution may be required (February 2015).
- 14. The ABS supplied enrolment projections to the AEC using AEC enrolment data and a cohort-component method to project the enrolment of each CCD to 16 July 2012. Divisional Returning Officers (DROs) of the AEC examined the ABS projections in the light of their local knowledge and experience, and where appropriate, substituted their own projections². DROs made use of information supplied by relevant local authority planning and statistical groups, as well as their own resources in undertaking this task. The Australian Electoral Officer for New South Wales also reviewed the projections.
- 15. The projections were made available on the AEC website to persons or organisations interested in using them as an indication of the likely growth of elector enrolment and as an aid to the preparation of public suggestions, or comments on public suggestions.

² As noted in the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters' Report on the Effectiveness and Appropriateness of the Redistribution Provisions of Parts III and IV of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918 (December 1995)

16. The projected total enrolment for New South Wales on 16 July 2012 is 4 747 516, resulting in an average projected divisional enrolment of 98 907. Thus the permissible variance, being within the range of plus or minus 3.5% of the average projected enrolment figure, is between 102 369 and 95 445 electors. (Table 2) The Redistribution Committee must endeavour to ensure that the proposed divisions fall within that range.

Number of divisions into which New South Wales is to be distributed	48
Projected number of electors in New South Wales at 16 July 2012	4 747 516
Average enrolment for New South Wales at 16 July 2012	98 907
103.5% of average enrolment projected at 16 July 2012	102 369
96.5% of average enrolment projected at 16 July 2012	95 445

Table 2: Enrolment projections at 16 July 2012

Appointment of the Redistribution Committee for New South Wales

17. In accordance with section 60 of the Electoral Act, the Electoral Commission appointed the Redistribution Committee for New South Wales on 21 April 2009. The Committee comprised the following members:

Electoral Commissioner	Mr Ed Killesteyn
Australian Electoral Officer for New South Wales	Ms Marie Nelson (acting until 29 June 2009) Mr Tjoen San Lauw (acting thereafter)
Surveyor General for New South Wales	Mr Warwick Watkins
Auditor-General for New South Wales	Mr Peter Achterstraat

18. Committee members met on 21 May 2009, 1 June 2009, 5 June 2009, 16 June 2009 and 22 June 2009.

Invitations to submit public suggestions and comments

19. In accordance with section 64 of the Electoral Act, the Electoral Commissioner invited written public suggestions and written comments on those suggestions by notice published in the Gazette on 1 April 2009; in the *Daily Telegraph* and the *Sydney Morning Herald* newspapers on 4 April 2009; and in the *Sun-Herald* and the *Sunday Telegraph* on 5 April 2009.

20. At the prescribed closing time on 1 May 2009, 124 public suggestions had been received from:

- 1. Lindsay Merkel
- 2. Ted and Sally Wolfe
- 3. Mrs Dorothy Longfield
- 4. Clr Rick Firman
- 5. Julie Ryan
- 6. Evelyn Fuller
- 7. Mrs Shirley Ann Myers
- 8. Dr Peter Smart
- 9. Ronald William Cross
- 10. John Walker
- 11. Mrs Barbara Carmichael
- 12. Ian W Hitchman
- 13. Helen D Hitchman
- 14. Anne Goldsmith
- 15. Ronda and Bill Lampe
- 16. Elizabeth Ann Cross
- 17. Sue Hardwick
- 18. Craig Hesketh
- 19. Marilynn J Webb
- 20. Vicki Bland
- 21. Shirley and Raymond Johnstone
- 22. Joan Riches
- 23. Sally Short
- 24. Walter Roy Breust
- 25. Sister Mary O'Dea
- 26. Stephen Scanes
- 27. Kevin J Hopkins
- 28. Walter Roy and Joan Breust
- 29. Wendy and Stuart Jennings
- 30. Stephen Dean
- 31. John Blight
- 32. Michael Hedger
- 33. Bill and Anne Van Wel
- 34. Deborah Payne

- 35. Mr Pom Auimatagi
- 36. Wendy St Clair
- 37. Dubbo City Council
- 38. Mrs J McGregor
- 39. Rodney Rammers
- 40. Bob Wheeldon
- 41. Tim and Georgina Poole
- 42. Dell Bungay
- 43. Victor Batten
- 44. Peter Bungay
- 45. Mrs Yvonne Condon
- 46. E E and John F C Marsh
- 47. Kempsey Shire Council
- 48. Dorothy Magrath
- 49. Patricia P Cox
- 50. Warren Shire Council
- 51. Corinne and Clarrie Salan
- 52. Len Tompkins
- 53. John and Moira Buller
- 54. Graham F Gorrel
- 55. M Gordon
- 56. Fred and Maureen Fiegert
- 57. John E Lush
- 58. Jan and Ken Hurcum
- 59. Dr Adam Carr
- 60. Cr William Maslin
- 61. Narrandera Shire Council
- 62. Stephen Dempsey
- 63. Ron K Kohlhagen
- 64. Cobar Shire Council
- 65. Barry and Jan Longmore
- 66. Susan Gregory and Stephen and Marian Lesslie
- 67. Philip Davies
- 68. Betty Wolter and Allan Haeusler

- 69. Beth Burrell and Carmel Pearce
- 70. Jeff Saxon and Norma Clark
- 71. John E and Joan Cain
- 72. Edna June and Noel Harold Wiencke
- 73. A and Elaine Dudley
- 74. Anne Fury and Neville Steinborner
- 75. Les and Doreen Neumann
- 76. Janice and George J Hopkins
- 77. Mary Haggar and Maureen Steinborner 105.
- 78. M Haggar and T D Haultain
- 79. Mark Lieschke and June Durham
- 80. D Eldridge and Jo Melville
- 81. Ira Smith and L Guilfoyle
- 82. Dulcie R Noack and Wallace Plummer
- 83. Edward and Daphne Salan
- 84. E Stoll and Doreen Elliott
- 85. Harold and Gwen Kroker
- 86. Dennis and Pamela Stoll
- 87. Noreen Smith and Ray and Richard Schache
- 88. K J and G M Wales
- 89. Vila Gardner and Norma Mackay
- 90. Robert Neil and Trevor N Wiencke
- 91. Donald and Helen Dunlop
- 92. John and Sandra Morrison
- 93. Shoalhaven City Council
- 94. Willoughby City Council
- 95. Paul Bosman
- 96. R J and M Madden

- 97. Grace Hatty
- 98. Coolamon Shire Council
- 99. A J and L M Morton
- 100. Mrs S K Benjamin
- 101. Brendan Moylan
- 102. Temora Shire Council
- 103. Wollondilly Shire Council
- 104. Dr Mark Mulcair
- 105. John Leslie Harris
- 106. Brewarrina Shire Council
- 107. Mrs Kay Hull MP
- 108. Parkes Shire Council
- 109. Warren Grzic
- 110. Tony Windsor MP
- 111. Audrey and Gordon Tremain
- 112. Lachlan Sullivan
- 113. Liberal Party of Australia (New South Wales Division)
- 114. Eurobodalla Shire Council
- 115. NSW Farmers' Association
- 116. Finley Chamber of Commerce, Industry and Agriculture Inc
- 117. Mrs Iris Herrmann
- 118. Mrs Lyn Sparks
- 119. Australian Labor Party NSW Branch
- 120. Junee Shire Council
- 121. Robert Oakeshott MP
- 122. Dr Charles Richardson
- 123. National Party of Australia NSW
- 124. Alan Jenkins
- 21. Copies of these suggestions were made available for perusal at the office of the Australian Electoral Officer for New South Wales in Sydney from 4 May 2009 as required by the Electoral Act. The suggestions were also made available on the AEC website.

- 22. At the prescribed closing time on 15 May 2009, 18 comments on the suggestions had been received from:
 - 1. Dr Simon Kinny
 - 2. M Gordon
 - 3. Commins Hendriks Pty Ltd
 - 4. Vic Batten
 - 5. Warren Shire Council
 - 6. Griffith City Council
 - 7. Terrigal Chamber of Commerce Inc
 - 8. Peter and Barbara Luelf
 - 9. John Blight

- 10. Councillor David Redmond
- 11. Tumbarumba Shire Council (Office of the Mayor)
- 12. Tumbarumba Shire Council
- 13. Liberal Party of Australia (New South Wales Division)
- 14. Australian Labor Party NSW Branch
- 15. The National Party of Australia NSW
- 16. David G Houston
- 17. Murrumbidgee Lachlan Country Womens Association
- 18. Narrabri Shire Council
- 23. The comments on suggestions were made available to members of the public for perusal at the office of the Australian Electoral Officer for New South Wales in Sydney and were also published on the AEC website.
- 24. As required by section 64(4) of the Electoral Act, the Committee considered all the public suggestions and comments on suggestions, which had been lodged within the statutory timeframe.

Statutory requirements for the making of a proposed redistribution

- 25. Section 66(1) of the Electoral Act requires the Redistribution Committee for New South Wales to make a proposed redistribution of the state.
- 26. Sections 66(3) and 66(3A) of the Electoral Act prescribe that:
 - (3) In making the proposed redistribution, the Redistribution Committee:
 - (a) shall, as far as practicable, endeavour to ensure that, if the State or Territory were redistributed in accordance with the proposed redistribution, the number of electors enrolled in each Electoral Division in the State or Territory would not, at the projection time determined under section 63A, be less than 96.5% or more than 103.5% of the average divisional enrolment of that State or Territory at that time; and
 - (b) subject to paragraph (a), shall give due consideration, in relation to each proposed Electoral Division, to:
 - (i) community of interests within the proposed Electoral Division, including economic, social and regional interests;

- (ii) means of communication and travel within the proposed Electoral Division;
- (iv) the physical features and area of the proposed Electoral Division; and
- (v) the boundaries of existing Divisions in the State or Territory;

and subject thereto the quota of electors for the State or Territory shall be the basis for the proposed redistribution, and the Redistribution Committee may adopt a margin of allowance, to be used whenever necessary, but in no case shall the quota be departed from to a greater extent than one-tenth more or one-tenth less.

- (3A) When applying subsection (3), the Redistribution Committee must treat the matter in subparagraph (3)(b)(v) as subordinate to the matters in subparagraphs (3)(b)(i), (ii) and (iv).
- 27. These statutory requirements are expressed in an hierarchical order which puts, "as far as practicable", the "endeavour to ensure" a division will fall within the projected enrolment range first; the considerations of "community of interests within [a division] including economic, social and regional interests", "means of communication and travel within [a division]", and "the physical features and area of [a division]" second; and "the boundaries of existing Divisions" third while stating that, subject to these matters, "the quota of electors for the State ... shall be the basis for the redistribution" and that "the Redistribution Committee may adopt a margin of allowance" not departing from the quota further than by one-tenth more or less.
- 28. The purpose of paragraph 3(a) is suggested by its history, over the period of which it has undergone some transformation since the Commonwealth Electoral Legislation Amendment Act 1983 stipulated that boundaries were to be drawn, as far as practicable, to achieve equal numbers of electors in each of a state's electorates three-and-a-half years after redistribution. By 1984 "it was observed that the three-and-a-half year rule had in some areas forced the adoption, on purely numerical grounds, of boundaries which took little account of perceived community of interest"³. Therefore, in 1987, the rule was relaxed to permit a measure of tolerance to plus or minus two percent from average projected enrolment. Subsequently, the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters (JSCEM) concluded that "the numerical criteria do not allow 'due consideration', in the words of the Act, to be given to the qualitative factors. Rather, the political parties and others attempting to frame electoral boundaries essentially find themselves engaged in a mathematical modelling exercise. In order to relax the enrolment requirements to that extent necessary to allow a realistic degree of flexibility the Committee recommends ... that subsections 66(3)(a) and 73(4)(a) of the Electoral Act be amended, so as to extend the variation from average divisional enrolment

³ Report of the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters on *The Effectiveness and* Appropriateness of the Redistribution Provisions of Parts III and IV of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918 (December 1995) Section 4.3

allowed three-and-a-half years after a redistribution from two to 3.5 percent⁴." The JSCEM also, in the same report, refers to its recommended amendment as one that "would maintain substantial restrictions on malapportionment [and] would allow other legitimate policy objectives to be more effectively met".

- 29. It was pursuant to this recommendation that the amendment was made by which paragraph 3(a) came to take its present form. The terms of the recommendation, and the discussion which preceded it, make clear the purpose of paragraph 3(a), as it now stands, and how it was intended to interact with the other criteria set out in the sub-paragraphs of paragraph (b), to which also "due consideration" must be given. The Redistribution Committee has considered the suggestions and comments and made its proposed redistribution on this basis.
- 30. In summary, the criteria of community of interests, means of communication and travel, physical features and area, and boundaries of existing divisions are secondary to the two requirements of:
 - endeavouring to ensure that the number of electors in proposed divisions are within a range of 3.5% below or above the average divisional enrolment at the projection time; and
 - ensuring that current enrolments are within 10% below or above the quota.

Technical procedures

- 31. The AEC maintains the electoral roll on the basis of alignment to CCDs, and is able to provide statistical data on enrolments and projected enrolments at this level. Accordingly, in formulating its proposals, the Committee used CCDs as basic building blocks. The CCDs have defined boundaries and are of differing sizes and shapes. In cases where the Committee considered that a particular CCD boundary was inappropriate for use as an electoral division boundary, the CCD was split to provide a more meaningful boundary.
- 32. The indicative area of electoral divisions in New South Wales has been calculated by aggregating the area of:
 - all land-based CCDs
 - any parts of land-based CCDs
 - any lakes, ponds, rivers, creeks, wetlands or marshes not already included in land-based CCDs, that are contained within the divisional boundary of each electoral division.
- 33. Areas are calculated on the *Geocentric Datum of Australia (GDA94)* spheroid using the AEC *Electoral Boundary Mapping System (EBMS)*, developed within the "MapInfo Professional" software package.

⁴ Ibid. Section 4.11

34. As an aid to the modelling of various boundary options, the Committee used EBMS. This system was also made available for public use at the office of the Australian Electoral Officer for New South Wales in Sydney.

Analysis of population trends

- 35. ABS population statistics indicate New South Wales has experienced a continuing trend of relatively slow population growth: 1.1% compared to the national average of 1.7% for the 12 months ending 30 June 2008⁵. In 2007-08 New South Wales recorded the highest net interstate migration to other states and territories with a loss of 21 900 people⁶.
- 36. ABS statistics show that the Sydney Statistical Division (SSD), which encompasses the area bounded by the Wyong, Hawkesbury, Blue Mountains, Wollondilly and Sutherland Local Government Areas (LGAs), represents approximately 63% of the New South Wales population. More than half of the LGAs in Sydney experienced growth above the state rate of 1.1%. This growth has been concentrated in the north-west, south-west and inner-city areas of Sydney⁷.
- 37. The remainder of New South Wales, representing 37% of the population, comprises approximately 20% living on the coastal fringe and the balance of 17% living in inland New South Wales. All coastal LGAs experienced population growth with above average increases occurring in the Richmond-Tweed and mid-north coast regions⁸.
- 38. The combined population of inland LGAs grew by only 0.7%. More than 80% of the inland LGAs recorded growth rates below the state average. The New England, Far West, North Western and Central Western regions grew by less than 0.5%. Approximately half of inland LGAs experienced population decline reflecting the ongoing impacts of drought and changes in the mining industry⁹.
- 39. The relative decrease in population in the state has resulted in New South Wales losing a seat in the House of Representatives, bringing its total entitlement to 48 seats.
- 40. This decrease in entitlement is consistent with the trend evident over the last 12 years, during which time New South Wales' share of Commonwealth population has been decreasing. This trend is illustrated in the following graph:

⁵ ABS, Regional Population Growth, Australia, 2007-08 Catalogue No: 3218.0

⁶ ABS, Australian Demographic Statistics, June Quarter 2008, Catalogue No: 3101.0

⁷ ABS, Regional Population Growth, Australia, 2007-08 Catalogue No: 3218.0

⁸ ABS, Regional Population Growth, Australia, 2007-08 Catalogue No: 3218.0

⁹ ABS, Regional Population Growth, Australia, 2007-08 Catalogue No: 3218.0



Graph 1: NSW population quotas from 1997 to 2009

Enrolment in existing divisions as at 19 February 2009

- 41. Enrolment as at the end at 19 February 2009 varies markedly across the state, from a low of 85 827 electors in the Division of Macarthur to a high of 98 979 in the Division of Wentworth. (Table 5)
- 42. As illustrated in Graph 2:
 - Nine divisions are currently above the enrolment quota of 94 353 with the Division of Wentworth 4.9% above quota;
 - The remaining 40 divisions fall below the enrolment quota of 94 353 with the Division of Macarthur having 8 526 electors (9.04%) less than the quota; and
 - All divisions are within the permissible 10% range of variation from the quota.



Graph 2: Variation from enrolment quota as at 19 February 2009 for existing divisions

Analysis of enrolment trends

- 43. All electoral divisions in New South Wales are expected to experience enrolment growth in the period to 2012. However, this growth varies across the state, from a low of 0.98% in the rural Division of Parkes to a high of 14.46% in the outer-metropolitan Division of Macarthur. The average enrolment growth over the projection period is 4.83%. (Table 5)
- 44. Patterns emerge in the varying rates of projected enrolment growth which reflect broader population trends outlined previously, such as the population shift from rural areas to metropolitan and some coastal areas.
- 45. Projected enrolment growth in the Sydney metropolitan area is generally much higher than the rest of New South Wales, with Macarthur 14.46%, Reid 11.46%, Greenway 11.14%, Sydney 9.85% and Mitchell 9.12%. In contrast, all the divisions in western rural New South Wales have low projected growth rates, including Parkes 0.98%, Calare 1.57%, New England 2.55%, Riverina 2.61% and Farrer 3.36%.
- 46. Divisions on the North Coast, including Paterson 7.43%, Richmond 7.25% and Dobell 6.24%, generally have higher than average growth rates than those on the South Coast, including Eden-Monaro 6.15%, Gilmore 4.98% and Throsby 4.29%.

Enrolment projections for existing divisions as at 16 July 2012

- 47. Projected enrolment numbers, shown in Table 5, range from a low of 90 473 in the Division of Calare to a high of 105 616 in the Division of Reid. Graph 3 shows that 36 existing divisions are projected to be within the permissible range of plus or minus 3.5% of the projected enrolment average.
- 48. Twelve divisions: Berowra, Calare, Cunningham, Fowler, Gilmore, Hughes, Lowe, Lyne, New England, Parkes, Riverina and Throsby are below the permitted enrolment tolerance of minus 3.5% with the divisions of Calare and Parkes the lowest at minus 8.53% and minus 8.38% respectively.
- 49. One division, Reid, is 6.78% above the projected enrolment average and must lose electors.
- 50. The four demographic classifications of divisions used by the AEC were drawn on to further examine the enrolment projections. These classifications are: Inner Metropolitan, Outer Metropolitan, Provincial, and Rural. The existing divisions are classified as follows:
 - Inner Metropolitan divisions are Banks, Barton, Bennelong, Blaxland, Bradfield, Cook, Grayndler, Kingsford Smith, Lowe, North Sydney, Parramatta, Reid, Sydney, Warringah, Watson and Wentworth: total of 16 divisions;

- Outer Metropolitan divisions are Berowra, Chifley, Fowler, Greenway, Hughes, Lindsay, Macarthur, Mackellar, Mitchell, Prospect and Werriwa: total of 11 divisions;
- Provincial divisions are Charlton, Cunningham, Dobell, Macquarie, Newcastle, Robertson, Shortland and Throsby: total of 8 divisions; and
- Rural divisions are Calare, Cowper, Eden-Monaro, Farrer, Gilmore, Hume, Hunter, Lyne, New England, Page, Parkes, Paterson, Richmond and Riverina: total of 14 divisions.
- 51. In general terms, using these classifications for the 49 divisions, the average variation from the average projected enrolment is:
 - Inner Metropolitan: minus 0.52%;
 - Outer Metropolitan: minus 1.90%;
 - Provincial: minus 2.67%; and
 - Rural: minus 3.53%.
- 52. The Committee observed that all demographic classifications are under the average projected enrolment with those divisions classified as rural outside the 3.5% range of tolerance.
- 53. Of the 12 divisions below the 3.5% tolerance for projected enrolment, 10 are neighbouring divisions forming two discrete geographical groups. One group includes Riverina, Calare, Parkes, New England and Lyne, while the other includes Gilmore, Throsby, Cunningham, Hughes and Fowler. Reid, the only division above the 3.5% tolerance, adjoins Lowe, a division below the numerical tolerance.
- 54. The Committee noted that this diverse pattern of projected enrolment would guide the development of the proposal.
- 55. Maps 1, 2, 3 and 4 show the 2012 projected enrolment for the existing 49 divisions relative to the average projected enrolment of 98 907. Divisions above the projected enrolment average are shown in grey those below the average projected enrolment are shown in white.



Graph 3: Variation from average projected enrolment as at 16 July 2012 for existing divisions

















General strategy

- 56. The Committee's general strategy for formulating proposed electoral boundaries was based on, and conforms to, the requirements of the Electoral Act.
- 57. The Committee acknowledged the importance of the guiding principle of relative equality of the number of electors in electoral divisions. The Committee also noted the flexibility provided by the numerical tolerances contained in the Electoral Act. The Committee considered that, where necessary, the use of these tolerances allowed it to construct divisions which addressed all other criteria.
- 58. The Committee considered the public suggestions and comments in its deliberations. These public submissions are discussed in the next section. While no submission was adopted in its entirety, the intentions of many are reflected in the proposed redistribution.
- 59. The Committee acknowledged that the loss of one New South Wales division and the subsequent flow-on effects would necessarily result in the need to consider adjustments to boundaries throughout the state, no matter where that lost division was located.
- 60. Apart from the challenges presented to the Committee by the pattern of projected enrolment and the loss of a division, the geographical features and physical connections through transport corridors and facilities, such as roads and railways within the state, were also considered during the development of the proposal.
- 61. The Committee recognised the constraints imposed by geographical features and therefore embarked upon the redistribution starting with divisions bordering immovable features such as state boundaries and the Pacific Ocean, specifically in the north east of the state where enrolment is projected to be within projected enrolment tolerance ranges.
- 62. As recognised by previous Committees, New South Wales has four geographic regions: the Sydney basin generally bounded by the Hawkesbury River, the Blue Mountains, the Nepean River and the Royal National Park; the northern coastal strip between the Hawkesbury River and the Queensland border; the southern coastal strip between Port Hacking and the Victorian border; and the rural area west of the Great Dividing range. These regions can be generally categorised as metropolitan, coastal and rural.
- 63. Where possible, the Committee sought to maintain, and where relevant build upon, established connections between and within rural, coastal and metropolitan regions. The Committee accepted that there were three regions where a strong connection existed between the rural, coastal and metropolitan areas, these being the Blue Mountains, the Southern Highlands and the Hunter Valley. Major connections are provided by the Great Western, Hume and New England Highways respectively.

- 64. The Committee was mindful of the need to consider community of interests in proposing new boundaries, accepting that there could be more than one community of interest within a division. Local government and regional boundaries were used extensively in rural and regional areas as indicators of community of interests. The Committee adopted this approach based on the prominent role that local government plays in providing a significant range of services to, and in representing the interests of their communities in rural and regional New South Wales.
- 65. The Committee considered that within the greater Sydney area, local government boundaries were less significant given the diversity, accessibility and availability of economic, social and regional services and interests within these more closely populated regions. Similarly, in larger provincial centres, the Committee considered that local government boundaries were also less significant in terms of community of interests.
- 66. Wherever possible, the Committee sought to design metropolitan divisions using identifiable boundaries including Sydney Harbour, major rivers, freeways, highways and other readily identifiable features. Geographical features, such as the Pacific Ocean to the east of the Sydney metropolitan area, also impacted on the configuration of the boundaries.
- 67. The Committee noted the variation in population density across the state, reflected in enrolment patterns, and observed that within the greater Sydney area and in major provincial centres, population density was markedly higher than in the rest of the state.
- 68. Projected enrolment growth across the state is also highly variable. Enrolment is projected to become more concentrated within the metropolitan area and some coastal areas, with low growth projected in rural New South Wales. The Committee has proposed that the areas with relatively high projected enrolment supplement those divisions which must gain electors. The cumulative effect of this supplementation approach, whereby electors were dispersed from higher growth metropolitan areas outwards, was the abolition of the existing Division of Reid.
- 69. The Committee noted that the Division of Lowe, which adjoined Reid, has been significantly impacted by the boundary changes. The Committee has proposed renaming this division McMahon in recognition of the outstanding service provided to Australia by the late Prime Minister, Sir William McMahon.
- 70. The Committee's proposal has resulted in the retention of the existing number of rural divisions. The geographical area of the majority of these divisions has increased to satisfy the requirements of the Electoral Act in relation to the number of electors.

Public suggestions and comments

- 71. The Committee considered all views presented in the public suggestions and comments, which had been lodged within the statutory timeframe. Suggestions and comments are provided in full in the CD included with this report.
- 72. The Committee noted that most submissions related to local concerns. Seven submissions addressed the state as a whole and two addressed specific regions of the state.
- 73. The majority of suggestions related to retaining all rural and regional electoral divisions. Approximately 70% of all suggestions involved requests by rural residents to consider the difficulties they experienced in accessing their local Member of Parliament (MP) and to also consider the problems faced by their MP in dealing with a widely dispersed constituency. Many requested that the current boundaries for rural divisions remain unchanged.
- 74. A number of local councils and community organisations made submissions based on the criterion of community of interest. These submissions sought unification of LGAs within one electoral division; relocation with neighbouring LGAs in another electoral division; and consideration of the impact of large electoral divisions in terms of elector disadvantage, the lack of a community of interest, and concern that local issues may be overtaken by issues of more populous parts of the electoral division.
- 75. Other suggestions sought improved boundaries in their local areas by strengthening local communities of interest through the inclusion of neighbouring suburbs or LGAs.
- 76. Public submissions were received suggesting the abolition of 14 different electoral divisions with Banks, Berowra and Lowe identified three times each. As outlined on page 24, submissions were received suggesting name changes to 11 electoral divisions.
- 77. The submissions addressing the state as a whole shared a similar approach in strengthening local communities of interest and limiting the movement of electors wherever possible. Common themes included reshaping electorates by using major identifiable features, such as major highways, and other recognised boundaries for example localities and LGAs, the Hawkesbury River and Sydney Harbour.
- 78. The following table outlines general themes contained within the public suggestions and comments, and how the Committee responded to them, having regard for the requirements of the Electoral Act:

Table 3: Themes

Suggestions and Comments recommend	The Committee has
Abolish a division in the metropolitan area.	proposed that the Division of Reid be abolished.
Do not abolish a rural division.	maintained the number of rural divisions.
Do not increase the size of rural divisions because they are already too large and access to and by the MP is difficult.	made changes to the majority of divisions because of the loss of a division and the need to bring remaining divisions within numerical tolerance given growth patterns.
Change the legislation to enable maintenance of rural representation regardless of the declining rural population.	not addressed this suggestion in the proposal as the Committee is bound by the requirements of the Electoral Act. The Committee observed that the numerical tolerances of the Electoral Act have broadened over time to allow greater flexibility.
Maintain communities of interest by uniting LGAs.	endeavoured to keep communities with common interests together where possible and within the constraints of the Electoral Act.
Rename an existing division.	proposed that the Division of Lowe be renamed McMahon.
Use recognisable features as boundaries.	used readily identifiable features as boundaries where possible.

Guidelines for the naming of divisions

79. Naming of federal divisions has been the subject of a number of recommendations from parliamentary committees. The *Guidelines for Naming Divisions* were developed from the recommendations made by the 1995 Inquiry of the Joint Standing Committee on Electoral Matters. These *Guidelines* were offered to interested persons when this redistribution was advertised, and are publicly available on the AEC website.

Renaming of division

- 80. Public suggestions proposed change of names for 11 electoral divisions with Lowe and Parkes both nominated twice. Names suggested in public submissions included Biripai, Bradman, Evatt, Innes, Many Rivers, McMahon and Pacific Coast. Two comments were received opposing a suggestion for the name Bradman, preferring the name McMahon instead.
- 81. Given the changes made to the Division of Lowe as a result of the proposal, the Committee considered it appropriate to rename this division.
- 82. The Committee acknowledged the contribution to Australian society of those individuals suggested for consideration. The Committee sought to propose the name of an individual who, in addition to having "rendered outstanding service to their country"¹⁰, also had an association with the region in which the changed division was located. Therefore, the Committee proposed to rename the Division of Lowe in honour of the 20th Prime Minister of Australia, Sir William McMahon PC, CH, GCMG (1908-1988).
- 83. Sir William McMahon was Prime Minister from 10 March 1971 to 5 December 1972. A former serviceman, William McMahon (later Sir William) graduated with a law degree in 1933 and an economics degree in 1949. In that year, he was elected as Member of the House of Representatives for Lowe which he held until his retirement in 1982.
- 84. Prior to becoming Prime Minister in 1971, he served continuously from 1951 in successive governments as Minister of many portfolios and is acknowledged as serving in more ministries over a longer period than any other member of the Australian Parliament.
- 85. William McMahon was appointed a Privy Counsellor in 1966 and was made a Companion of Honour in the New Years Day Honours of 1972. He was made a Knight Grand Cross of the Order of St Michael and St George in the Queen's Birthday Honours of 1977.

Proposed redistribution of New South Wales - by division

86. The Committee's redistribution proposal, as outlined previously, is discussed in greater detail in the paragraphs that follow. Statistical summaries of the proposed divisions are provided in Tables 6 and 8. The proposed divisions are dealt with in the order in which they generally relate to each other.

¹⁰ Australian Electoral Commission website: Guidelines for Naming Divisions http://www.aec.gov.au/Electorates/Electoral_DPM/Guidelines.htm

To assist the reader, this order is shown in the following table:

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Farrer	31	Grayndler	40	Calare	50
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Riverina	32	Blaxland	41		
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Table 4: Divisions in order of discussion

Richmond

- 87. Projected enrolment for the Division of Richmond is 97 624, which is within numerical tolerance. Richmond could gain up to 4 745 electors, or lose up to 2 179 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Projected enrolment growth is above the state average.
- 88. Richmond is bounded by the New South Wales Queensland border, the Pacific Ocean and the Division of Page. The Committee proposes to leave Richmond unchanged as it is within numerical tolerance and the only adjoining division, Page, does not require changes that impact on Richmond's boundary. This approach is consistent with a number of suggestions.
- 89. This approach results in a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 1.30%.

Page

- 90. Projected enrolment for the Division of Page is 97 375, which is within numerical tolerance. Page could gain up to 4 994 electors, or lose up to 1 930 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Projected enrolment growth for the Division of Page is below average.
- 91. Page is bounded by the Pacific Ocean and the divisions of Richmond, Cowper and New England.
- 92. The Committee proposes to move Page closer to the projected enrolment average by the transfer of 1 094 electors in the area north-east of Amosfield, Sandy Hills and Ewingar State Forest in Tenterfield LGA from the Division of New England, and the transfer of 256 electors in the locality of Elland in Clarence Valley LGA from the Division of Cowper.
- 93. This results in a projected enrolment for Page of 98 725 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 0.18%.

Cowper

- 94. Projected enrolment for the Division of Cowper is 99 170. Cowper could gain up to 3 199 electors, or lose up to 3 725 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Cowper's projected enrolment growth is above average.
- 95. Cowper shares boundaries with the existing divisions of Lyne, Page and New England and adjoins the Pacific Ocean.
- 96. As a result of the loss of 256 electors at Elland in Clarence Valley LGA to the Division of Page, projected enrolment for Cowper is 98 914 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 0.01%.
- 97. No further changes are proposed to this division.

Lyne

- 98. Although enrolment growth for the Division of Lyne is projected to be above average, its projected enrolment is 93 154 which is below numerical tolerance. Lyne must gain at least 2 291 electors, but no more than 9 215 electors, to be within numerical tolerance.
- 99. Lyne is bounded by the Pacific Ocean and the divisions of Cowper, New England and Paterson.
- 100. Consistent with a number of suggestions, the Committee proposes to transfer Gloucester LGA, comprising 3 770 electors, from the Division of Paterson to bring Lyne within numerical tolerance. The Committee believes that the strong links between Gloucester LGA and the Division of Lyne support this move.

101. This results in a projected enrolment for Lyne of 96 924 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 2.00%.

Paterson

- 102. With 98 271 electors, the Division of Paterson is only marginally below the average projected enrolment figure. Paterson could gain up to 4 098 electors, or lose up to 2 826 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. However the loss of Gloucester LGA comprising 3 770 electors, to the Division of Lyne means that Paterson has to gain electors to stay within numerical tolerance.
- 103. Paterson is located on the east coast and is bordered by the Pacific Ocean and the divisions of Lyne, New England, Hunter and Newcastle. Its enrolment growth is projected to be above average.
- 104. The Committee proposes to achieve numerical tolerance by transferring 2 293 electors from Maitland LGA in the Division of Hunter. These electors are located between the North Coast railway line and the Hunter River in the localities of Luskintyre, Hillsborough and Mindaribba.
- 105. In addition, in order to obtain a stronger boundary, the Committee proposes that Paterson lose 534 electors from Duckenfield and Berry Park, also in Maitland LGA, to the neighbouring Division of Newcastle. Paterson's southern boundary includes the Hunter River, Wallis Creek, Four Mile Creek and the New England Highway.
- 106. This results in a projected enrolment for Paterson of 96 260 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 2.68%.

Robertson

- 107. Projected enrolment for the Division of Robertson is 97 591. Robertson could gain up to 4 778 electors, or lose up to 2 146 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance.
- 108. Robertson adjoins the divisions of Berowra, Mackellar, Greenway and Dobell. It is also bounded by the Pacific Ocean and the Hawkesbury River.
- 109. The Committee proposes to transfer 157 electors from Kulnura (in Gosford LGA) in the Division of Dobell, and unite them with other electors in that outlying part of Gosford LGA within the Division of Robertson.
- 110. This results in a projected enrolment for Robertson of 97 748 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 1.17%.

Dobell

- 111. Projected enrolment for the Division of Dobell is 97 159. Dobell could gain up to 5 210 electors, or lose up to 1 714 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Dobell's enrolment growth is above average.
- 112. Dobell is a coastal division and shares boundaries with the divisions of Greenway, Robertson, Charlton, Shortland and Hunter.
- 113. Apart from the loss of 157 electors in Kulnura to the Division of Robertson, no other changes are proposed as the division remains within numerical tolerance.
- 114. This results in a projected enrolment for Dobell 97 002 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 1.93%.

Shortland

- 115. Projected enrolment for the Division of Shortland is 97 613. Shortland could gain up to 4 756 electors, or lose up to 2 168 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Projected enrolment growth is below the state average.
- 116. Located between Lake Macquarie and the Pacific Ocean, Shortland shares boundaries with the divisions of Charlton, Dobell and Newcastle.
- 117. The Committee notes that Shortland is within numerical tolerance and proposes no changes to the boundaries. The Committee notes that this approach accords with a number of suggestions.
- 118. The projected enrolment for Shortland is 97 613 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 1.31%.

Charlton

- 119. Projected enrolment for the Division of Charlton is 95 537. Charlton could gain up to 6 832 electors, or lose up to 92 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Charlton's enrolment growth is projected to be below the state average.
- 120. The divisions of Hunter, Newcastle, Shortland and Dobell surround Charlton, which borders Lake Macquarie.
- 121. In order to reduce Charlton's variation from the average projected enrolment, the Committee proposes to transfer 1 201 electors from Newcastle LGA in the Division of Newcastle to Charlton by moving the current Newcastle Charlton boundary east to Croudace Street, Lookout Road and Charlestown Road at Lambton and New Lambton Heights. The Committee believes that this change provides a strong boundary.
- 122. This results in a projected enrolment for Charlton of 96 738 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 2.19%.

Newcastle

- 123. Projected enrolment for the Division of Newcastle is 96 974. Newcastle could gain up to 5 395 electors, or lose up to 1 529 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Newcastle's projected enrolment growth is below average.
- 124. Newcastle shares boundaries with the divisions of Paterson, Hunter, Charlton and Shortland, and adjoins the Pacific Ocean.
- 125. After losing 1 201 electors to the Division of Charlton at Lambton and New Lambton Heights, and gaining 534 electors from the Division of Paterson at Duckenfield and Berry, Newcastle remains within numerical tolerance.
- 126. This results in a projected enrolment for Newcastle of 96 307 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 2.63%.

Hunter

- 127. Projected enrolment for the Division of Hunter is 96 505. Hunter could gain up to 5 864 electors, or lose up to 1 060 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Hunter's projected enrolment growth is above average.
- 128. Hunter is surrounded by the divisions of Paterson, Newcastle, Charlton, Dobell, Macquarie, Parkes and New England.
- 129. Following the loss of 2 293 electors from Maitland LGA in the localities of Luskintyre, Hillsborough and Mindaribba, to the Division of Paterson, Hunter must gain electors to remain within numerical tolerance.
- 130. The proposed redrawing of the neighbouring divisions of Paterson, Newcastle and Charlton means that these electors must come from either of the divisions of New England or Parkes.
- 131. The Committee proposes to transfer into Hunter, electors from the Mid-Western Regional LGA in the Division of Parkes, from the area surrounding the towns of Kandos and Rylstone, observing that the Bylong Valley Way provides a means of communication and travel within the division. This move provides 1 979 electors thereby achieving numerical requirements. The Committee also notes that this move is consistent, in part, with a number of suggestions that proposed moving all Mid-Western Regional LGA into the Division of Hunter.
- 132. Minor transfers involving no electors are proposed with the divisions of Macquarie, Calare and New England, to align with LGA boundaries.
- 133. This results in a projected enrolment for Hunter of 96 191 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 2.75%.

New England

- 134. Projected enrolment for the Division of New England is 94 382. New England must gain at least 1 063 electors, but no more than 7 987 electors, to be within numerical tolerance. New England is below the permissible numerical tolerance and enrolment growth is projected to be below the state average.
- 135. New England is bounded by the New South Wales Queensland border and the divisions of Page, Cowper, Lyne, Paterson, Hunter and Parkes.
- 136. Given the Committee's considerations to the boundaries of other neighbouring divisions, and having lost 1 094 electors in the area north-east of Amosfield, Sandy Hills and Ewingar State Forest to the Division of Page, the additional electors required to bring New England within numerical tolerance can only be drawn from the existing Division of Parkes. Recognising the community of interest that exists between Gunnedah, Tamworth Regional and Liverpool Plains LGAs, the Committee proposes to transfer 8 175 electors from Gunnedah LGA into the Division of New England, consistent with a number of suggestions.
- 137. A minor adjustment is also proposed to the boundary with the Division of Hunter to align with LGA boundaries.
- 138. This results in a projected enrolment for New England of 101 463 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 2.58%.

Parkes

- 139. Projected enrolment for the Division of Parkes is 90 618. Parkes must gain at least 4 827 electors, but no more than 11 751 electors, to be within numerical tolerance. It is well below the projected enrolment tolerance range. Also, this division has the lowest projected enrolment growth in the state at plus 0.98%.
- 140. Parkes adjoins the New South Wales Queensland border and shares boundaries with the divisions of New England, Hunter, Calare and Macquarie.
- 141. The proposed loss of 8 175 electors in Gunnedah LGA to the Division of New England and 1 979 electors in Mid-Western Regional LGA (in the area around Kandos and Rylstone) to the Division of Hunter means that Parkes requires significant additional electors to meet the numerical requirements of the Electoral Act.
- 142. Although recognising that a westward movement of the boundaries would result in a significant increase in the size of the division, the Committee believes the community of interest benefits makes such a move acceptable.
- 143. Consequently, the Committee proposes to transfer into Parkes a total of 34 672 electors from Bogan, Bourke, Brewarrina, Central Darling (part), Cobar, Forbes, Lachlan, Narromine, Parkes, and Warren LGAs from the Division of Calare. These movements provide a tripartite focus centred on Dubbo, Wellington and Parkes; Moree, Narrabri and Walgett; and Cobar, Bourke and Nyngan.

- 144. The Committee further proposes to transfer 14 448 electors in that part of Mid-Western Regional LGA west of Bylong Valley Way, and that part of Wellington LGA south of Neurea and Dripstone, to the Division of Calare in order to achieve numerical tolerance. The Committee further proposes to transfer 45 electors in the vicinity of Kandos to the Division of Calare to align with LGA boundaries. The cumulative effect of these changes brings Parkes within numerical tolerance, and in part, is in line with numerous suggestions.
- 145. This results in a projected enrolment for Parkes of 100 643 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 1.76%.

Farrer

- 146. Projected enrolment for the Division of Farrer is 97 032. Farrer could gain up to 5 337 electors, or lose up to 1 587 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Enrolment growth for Farrer is projected to fall below the state average.
- 147. The Division of Farrer adjoins the state borders of Victoria, South Australia and Queensland and shares boundaries with the divisions of Calare, Riverina and Eden-Monaro.
- 148. The Committee proposes that the boundaries for Farrer remain unchanged. In this, the Committee concurs with a number of public suggestions.
- 149. The projected enrolment for Farrer is therefore 97 032 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 1.90%.

Eden-Monaro

- 150. Projected enrolment for the Division of Eden-Monaro is 97 785. Eden-Monaro could gain up to 4 584 electors, or lose up to 2 340 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Projected enrolment growth is above average.
- 151. Eden-Monaro shares boundaries with the divisions of Farrer, Gilmore, Hume, and Riverina and adjoins the Pacific Ocean and the Australian Capital Territory.
- 152. With the intention of strengthening communities of interest and uniting LGAs in regional/rural areas, the Committee proposes uniting Eurobodalla LGA in Eden-Monaro. This involves the transfer of 13 857 electors from the Division of Gilmore. The Committee noted that this change is consistent with a number of suggestions.
- 153. As this change takes the division above the numerical tolerance, the Committee proposes transferring Tumut and Tumbarumba LGAs, a total of 10 136 electors, to the Division of Riverina thereby meeting the numerical requirements of the Electoral Act.
- 154. The Committee believes that keeping both LGAs in the same division, Riverina, maintains the community of interest that exists between the two LGAs.
- 155. This results in a projected enrolment for Eden-Monaro of 101 506 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 2.63%.

Riverina

- 156. Projected enrolment for the Division of Riverina is 94 827. Riverina must gain at least 618 electors, but no more than 7 542 electors, to be within numerical tolerance. The division's projected enrolment growth is well below average.
- 157. Riverina is bound by the divisions of Eden-Monaro, Hume, Farrer and Calare.
- 158. The Committee notes the public suggestions which opposed change to Riverina's boundaries. However, without change, Riverina is projected to be below the numerical requirements prescribed by the Electoral Act.
- 159. The Committee proposes moving 10 136 electors in Tumut and Tumbarumba LGAs from Eden-Monaro to the Division of Riverina, and then transferring the 5 521 electors in Cootamundra LGA to the Division of Hume to bring Riverina within numerical tolerance.
- 160. The Committee recognises the community of interest that exists between Hillston, Lake Cargelligo, Griffith and West Wyalong, and therefore also proposes to transfer 1 478 electors in Lachlan LGA, south of the Lachlan River and Wallaroi Creek in the Division of Calare to the Division of Riverina. The Committee further proposes to unite Carrathool LGA in the division by the transfer of 1 097 electors from the Division of Calare.
- 161. This results in a projected enrolment for Riverina of 102 017 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 3.14%.

Gilmore

- 162. Projected enrolment for the Division of Gilmore is 92 443. Gilmore must gain at least 3 002 electors, but no more than 9 926 electors, to be within numerical tolerance. Projected enrolment growth is slightly above average.
- 163. Gilmore adjoins the Pacific Ocean and shares boundaries with the divisions of Eden-Monaro, Hume and Throsby.
- 164. The Division of Gilmore, at minus 6.54%, is well below the 3.5% projected enrolment tolerance. When combined with the loss of 13 857 electors in Eurobodalla LGA to the Division of Eden-Monaro, Gilmore requires approximately 20 000 electors to bring it within numerical tolerance.
- 165. The Committee proposes to transfer 20 186 electors from the areas of Shellharbour, Barrack Heights, Kiama Downs and Jamberoo from the Division of Throsby thereby achieving numerical tolerance.
- 166. This results in a projected enrolment for Gilmore of 98 772 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 0.14%.
Throsby

- 167. Projected enrolment for the Division of Throsby is 92 951. Throsby must gain at least 2 494 electors, but no more than 9 418 electors, to be within numerical tolerance.
- 168. Neighbouring divisions include Gilmore, Cunningham and Hume. Throsby also borders the Pacific Ocean.
- 169. Throsby's projected enrolment falls well below the numerical tolerance, and its projected enrolment growth is slightly below average. The loss of 20 186 electors to the neighbouring Division of Gilmore in the areas of Shellharbour, Barrack Heights, Kiama Downs and Jamberoo moves Throsby further outside numerical tolerance.
- 170. The Committee, conscious that the south coast region of New South Wales has very low projected enrolment growth, considers that this region requires significant additional electors to maintain the existing number of divisions. The Committee believes that this is best achieved by changing the orientation of the Division of Throsby to east-west rather than the current north-south bearing.
- 171. Recognising the link provided by the Illawarra Highway to the Southern Highlands, and the community of interest around the areas of Mittagong, Bowral, Berrima, Moss Vale, Bundanoon and Robertson in Wingecarribee LGA, the Committee proposes to transfer 27 476 electors from this area in the Division of Hume into the Division of Throsby, thereby meeting the numerical requirements of the Electoral Act.
- 172. This move creates two significant communities of interest centred on a tableland and a coastal geographic area, united by a well established and used road transport corridor.
- 173. A minor change involving no electors is also proposed, to transfer the Inner and Outer Harbours at Port Kembla to the Division of Cunningham.
- 174. This results in a projected enrolment of 100 241 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 1.35%.

Cunningham

- 175. Projected enrolment for the Division of Cunningham is 94 040. Cunningham must gain at least 1 405 electors, but no more than 8 329 electors, to be within numerical tolerance.
- 176. Cunningham is a coastal division and shares boundaries with the divisions of Throsby, Cook, Hughes, Macarthur and Hume.
- 177. Cunningham's projected enrolment falls below numerical tolerance and its projected growth is well below the state average.
- 178. Given the changes already proposed to the Division of Throsby and the Committee's desire to maintain the coastal focus of the Division of Cunningham, the Committee proposes to move Cunningham's existing boundary northward into the divisions of Hughes and Cook. This approach is consistent with a number of suggestions.

- 179. The Committee therefore proposes to transfer parts of Sutherland LGA at Bundeena and Maianbar comprising 1 819 electors in the Division of Cook, and 4 857 electors at Heathcote in the Division of Hughes, into the Division of Cunningham. The Committee notes that this approach provides two strong communities of interest within the division in Wollongong and Sutherland LGAs.
- 180. The Committee notes that this move provides a clearly recognisable northern boundary at Port Hacking, the Hacking River, the Princes Highway, the Illawarra railway line and Heathcote Road.
- 181. The Committee also notes that the Princes Highway, Southern Freeway, Grand Pacific Drive and the Illawarra railway line provide the means of communication and travel within the division.
- 182. A minor change involving no electors is also proposed, to transfer the Inner and Outer Harbours at Port Kembla from the Division of Throsby.
- 183. This results in a projected enrolment for Cunningham of 100 716 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 1.83%.

Hume

- 184. Projected enrolment for the Division of Hume is 96 133. Hume could gain up to 6 236 electors, or lose up to 688 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Hume's projected enrolment growth is slightly below average.
- 185. Hume is bound by the divisions of Macarthur, Cunningham, Throsby, Gilmore, Eden-Monaro, Riverina, Calare and Macquarie, and borders the Australian Capital Territory.
- 186. The division has already received 5 521 electors in Cootamundra LGA from the Division of Riverina. However, following the loss of 27 476 electors in Wingecarribee LGA (around the localities of Mittagong, Bowral, Berrima, Moss Vale, Bundanoon and Robertson) to the Division of Throsby, Hume must gain a substantial number of electors. The Committee proposes to transfer Weddin and Cowra LGAs, a total of 11 793 electors, to Hume from the Division of Calare.
- 187. The Committee is mindful of the ongoing use of this division as a connective corridor between rural New South Wales and semi-rural areas of greater Sydney. As Hume still requires electors to achieve numerical tolerance, the Committee proposes to move the current boundary with the Division of Macarthur northward thereby transferring 10 485 electors from Silverdale, Werombi, Picton and Wilton in Wollondilly LGA to the Division of Hume.
- 188. This results in a projected enrolment for Hume of 96 456 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 2.48%.

Macarthur

- 189. Projected enrolment for the Division of Macarthur is 98 236. Macarthur could gain up to 4 133 electors, or lose up to 2 791 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Macarthur's projected enrolment growth is the highest in the state at 14.46%.
- 190. Macarthur shares boundaries with the divisions of Hume, Cunningham, Hughes, Fowler, Macquarie and Werriwa.
- 191. The transfer of 10 485 electors to the neighbouring Division of Hume means that Macarthur needs to gain approximately 12 000 electors to stay within numerical tolerance.
- 192. Given the changes already proposed to the western boundary and the existing strong boundary on the eastern side of the division provided by the Holsworthy Military Reserve, the Committee can only transfer electors from the northern divisions of Fowler and Werriwa.
- 193. The Committee therefore, recognising the similarity in semi-rural characteristics between Cobbitty, Oran Park and Theresa Park already in Macarthur, and the areas surrounding Bringelly, Rossmore, Badgerys Creek, Wallacia and Warragamba in the Division of Fowler, proposes to transfer 9 470 electors from these latter areas into the Division of Macarthur.
- 194. Additionally, the Committee further proposes to transfer 4 263 electors from the suburbs of Blairmount, Blair Athol and Woodbine in the Division of Werriwa to the Division of Macarthur to bring the division within numerical tolerance.
- 195. This results in a projected enrolment for Macarthur of 101 484 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 2.61%.

Werriwa

- 196. Projected enrolment for the Division of Werriwa is 99 796. Werriwa could gain up to 2 573 electors, or lose up to 4 351 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Projected enrolment growth is well above average.
- 197. Werriwa has common boundaries with the divisions of Macarthur, Fowler and Hughes.
- 198. Although losing 4 263 electors to the Division of Macarthur, Werriwa remains within numerical tolerance. However, in the interests of obtaining a clearly identifiable boundary, the Committee proposes to use Fifteenth Avenue and Kemps Creek as boundaries resulting in the transfer of 1 488 electors at Austral from the Division of Fowler to Werriwa.
- 199. This results in a projected enrolment for Werriwa of 97 021 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 1.91%.

Fowler

- 200. Projected enrolment for the Division of Fowler is 94 309. Fowler must gain at least 1 136 electors, but no more than 8 060 electors, to be within numerical tolerance.
- 201. Fowler is bound by the divisions of Macarthur, Werriwa, Macquarie, Lindsay, Prospect, Blaxland and Hughes.
- 202. The loss of 9 470 electors to the Division of Macarthur, and 1 488 electors to the Division of Werriwa means that Fowler must gain approximately 15 000 electors to be within numerical tolerance.
- 203. The Committee therefore proposes to transfer 5 551 electors in the Liverpool area west of Copeland Street and Orange Grove Road from the Division of Hughes into Fowler. The Committee further proposes to move the existing boundary with the Division of Blaxland eastward to Prospect Creek, uniting the suburbs of Lansvale, Canley Vale and Cabramatta in the same division as Canley Heights and Cabramatta West, with which they share a strong community of interest. This move transfers 20 204 electors from the Division of Blaxland to the Division of Fowler.
- 204. Cumulatively these changes move Fowler above numerical tolerance.
- 205. As a consequence, the Committee also proposes to transfer 10 841 electors to the Division of Prospect in the area north of Elizabeth Drive, Edensor Road and Smithfield Road at Abbotsbury, Edensor Park and Greenfield Park.
- 206. The Committee notes that these changes produce clear and strong boundaries and moves Fowler within numerical tolerance.
- 207. This results in a projected enrolment for Fowler of 98 265 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 0.65%.

Cook

- 208. Projected enrolment for the Division of Cook is 95 710. Cook could gain up to 6 659 electors, or lose up to 265 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Cook's projected enrolment growth is well below average.
- 209. The divisions of Cunningham, Hughes, Barton and Kingsford Smith adjoin the Division of Cook, with the Pacific Ocean and the Georges River forming two of the boundaries.
- 210. Following the proposed loss of 1 819 electors from Bundeena and Maianbar to the Division of Cunningham, Cook requires approximately 6 500 electors to remain within the numerical tolerance.
- 211. Recognising the existing community of interest and the clear boundary provided by the Burnum Burnum Sanctuary, the Committee proposes to transfer 4 861 electors from the areas around Como, Jannali and Bonnet Bay from the Division of Hughes to the Division of Cook.

- 212. The Committee also proposes to move the existing western boundary between the divisions of Hughes and Cook further west to the Illawarra railway line at Sutherland, thereby gaining an additional 3 368 electors and achieving numerical tolerance. The Committee judges that, although this move splits Sutherland central business district, the strong boundary obtained in this area makes this an acceptable outcome. The Committee notes that the proposed changes are consistent with a number of suggestions.
- 213. This results in a projected enrolment for Cook of 102 120 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 3.25%.

Hughes

- Projected enrolment for the Division of Hughes is 95 409. Hughes must gain at least 36 electors, but no more than 6 960 electors, to be within numerical tolerance. The projected enrolment growth for Hughes is below the state average.
- 215. Hughes shares its boundaries with the divisions of Banks, Blaxland, Fowler, Werriwa, Macarthur, Cook and Cunningham.
- 216. The cumulative loss of 8 229 electors in Como, Jannali, Bonnet Bay and Sutherland to the Division of Cook; 4 857 electors in the Heathcote area to the Division of Cunningham; and 5 551 electors in the Liverpool area to the Division of Fowler; means that Hughes must gain approximately 22 000 electors to be within numerical tolerance.
- 217. Given the Committee's considerations to the boundaries of other neighbouring divisions, the additional 22 000 electors required to bring the Division of Hughes within numerical tolerance can only be drawn from the Division of Banks.
- 218. Consistent with the Committee's belief that it is appropriate to cross water features at the narrowest available point, the Committee proposes to transfer 22 948 electors in the localities of Milperra, Panania, East Hills, Revesby, Revesby Heights and Picnic Point from the Division of Banks into Hughes.
- 219. The Committee recognises the additional means of communication and travel provided by Milperra and Newbridge Roads and Henry Lawson Drive within the Division of Hughes.
- 220. This results in a projected enrolment for Hughes of 99 720 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 0.82%.

Banks

- 221. Projected enrolment for the Division of Banks is 96 724. Banks could gain up to 5 645 electors, or lose up to 1 279 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance.
- 222. Banks adjoins the Georges River and shares boundaries with the divisions of Hughes, Blaxland, Watson and Barton.

- 223. The loss of 22 948 electors, in the localities of Milperra, Panania, East Hills, Revesby, Revesby Heights and Picnic Point, to the Division of Hughes, means that Banks needs to gain a significant number of electors to achieve numerical tolerance.
- 224. Recognising the community of interest between Blakehurst, Kyle Bay, Connells Point, Hurstville, South Hurstville, Allawah, Penshurst, Mortdale, Narwee and Riverwood, with suburbs already in Banks, the Committee proposes to unite these suburbs in the Division of Banks, resulting in the transfer of 26 986 electors from the Division of Barton, and 18 665 electors from the Division of Watson.
- 225. The Committee notes that although this approach provides a strong southern boundary along the Georges River, the Division of Banks moves well above the projected average number of electors.
- 226. Consequently, the Committee proposes to move the existing Banks Blaxland boundary south to Canterbury Road and Milperra Road, thereby transferring 15 116 electors in the localities of Condell Park and Bankstown into the Division of Blaxland. The Committee recognises the existing community of interest between Condell Park and Bankstown and Georges Hall and Yagoona already in the Division of Blaxland.
- 227. As the Division of Banks still needs to lose electors, the Committee further proposes to move 3 908 electors east of Stacey Street in Bankstown and Punchbowl into the Division of Watson.
- 228. The Committee notes that the changes outlined above provide clearly identifiable boundaries including the Princes Highway, Stoney Creek and King Georges Roads, the South Western Motorway, and Belmore, Canterbury and Milperra Roads.
- 229. This results in a projected enrolment for Banks of 100 403 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 1.51%.

Barton

- 230. Projected enrolment for the Division of Barton is 95 749. Barton could gain up to 6 620 electors, or lose up to 304 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance.
- 231. Barton is bounded by the divisions of Grayndler, Watson, Banks, Cook and Kingsford Smith and is adjacent to Botany Bay, the Cooks River and the Georges River.
- 232. The impact of the loss of 26 986 electors to the Division of Banks means that Barton must gain electors to meet numerical requirements of the Electoral Act.
- 233. Acknowledging the clear boundary currently provided by the Cooks River, the Committee proposes to move the existing boundary of Barton north to Cup and Saucer Creek, Bexley Road, William Street and Moorefields Road, gaining the areas of Earlwood, Clemton Park, Kingsgrove and Beverly Hills. These changes transfer 27 919 electors from the Division of Watson into Barton, thereby meeting the numerical requirements of the Electoral Act.

234. This results in a projected enrolment for Barton of 96 682 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 2.25%.

Kingsford Smith

- 235. Projected enrolment for the Division of Kingsford Smith is 100 997. Kingsford Smith could gain up to 1 372 electors, or lose up to 5 552 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance.
- 236. Kingsford Smith shares boundaries with the divisions of Wentworth, Sydney, Grayndler, Barton and Cook and adjoins Botany Bay, the Cooks River and the Pacific Ocean. In the interests of providing a stronger boundary, and mirroring a number of suggestions, the Committee proposes to extend the use of Southern Cross Drive as a boundary with the Division of Sydney resulting in the transfer of 3 572 electors at Rosebery from Kingsford Smith to the Division of Sydney.
- 237. This results in a projected enrolment for Kingsford Smith of 97 425 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 1.50%.

Wentworth

- 238. Projected enrolment for the Division of Wentworth is 101 558. Wentworth could gain up to 811 electors, or lose up to 6 113 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance.
- 239. Wentworth shares boundaries with the divisions of Sydney and Kingsford Smith, and is adjacent to the Pacific Ocean and Sydney Harbour.
- 240. While Wentworth is at the upper range of the numerical tolerance, its projected enrolment growth is below the state average.
- 241. The Committee concurs with a number of suggestions which propose that Wentworth remain unchanged.
- 242. The projected enrolment for Wentworth is therefore 101 558 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 2.68%.

Sydney

- 243. Projected enrolment for the Division of Sydney is 96 141. Sydney could gain up to 6 228 electors, or lose up to 696 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Projected enrolment growth is relatively high.
- 244. Sydney shares boundaries with the divisions of Wentworth, Kingsford Smith, Grayndler, Lowe, North Sydney and Warringah and borders Sydney Harbour and the Parramatta River.

- 245. Having gained 3 572 electors at Rosebery from the Division of Kingsford Smith, Sydney remains within numerical tolerance. The Committee proposes that no further changes be made.
- 246. This results in a projected enrolment for Sydney of 99 713 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 0.81%.

Grayndler

- 247. Projected enrolment for the Division of Grayndler is 97 798. Grayndler could gain up to 4 571 electors, or lose up to 2 353 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance.
- 248. Grayndler is surrounded by the divisions of Lowe, Watson, Barton, Kingsford Smith and Sydney.
- 249. The Committee notes that there are only 1 201 electors in Ashfield LGA who are not currently in the Division of Grayndler. The Committee therefore proposes transferring the remainder of Ashfield LGA at Croydon from the Division of Lowe into the Division of Grayndler, noting that this change is in line with some public suggestions.
- 250. This results in a projected enrolment for Grayndler of 98 999 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 0.09%.

Watson

- 251. Projected enrolment for the Division of Watson is 99 077. Watson could gain up to 3 292 electors, or lose up to 3 632 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Watson's projected enrolment growth is below average.
- 252. Neighbouring divisions include Grayndler, Lowe, Blaxland, Banks and Barton.
- 253. As a result of the losses of 18 665 electors at Hurstville, Penshurst, Narwee and Riverwood to the Division of Banks, and 27 919 electors at Earlwood, Clemton Park, Kingsgrove and Beverly Hills to the Division of Barton, Watson must gain a significant number of electors to meet the numerical requirements.
- 254. Watson has already gained 3 908 electors in the suburbs of Bankstown and Punchbowl following the proposed changes to the eastern boundary of the Division of Banks at Stacey Street in Bankstown.
- 255. The Committee acknowledges the community of interest that exists between the suburbs of Campsie, Lakemba, Wiley Park, Punchbowl and Belmore already in Watson, with the suburbs of Croydon Park, Enfield and Strathfield South in the Division of Lowe. Therefore the Committee proposes to transfer 25 226 electors in these latter suburbs from the Division of Lowe to the Division of Watson.

- 256. As the Division of Watson still requires electors to achieve numerical tolerance, the Committee further proposes to transfer 18 939 electors in the suburbs of Mount Lewis and Greenacre from the Division of Blaxland into the Division of Watson. This change recognises the community of interest that exists between these suburbs and Punchbowl, Lakemba, Campsie and Wiley Park in the Division of Watson.
- 257. The Committee notes that these changes provide clearly identifiable boundaries for the division comprising mainly of main roads, water courses and railway lines.
- 258. This results in a projected enrolment for Watson of 100 566 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 1.68%.

Blaxland

- 259. Projected enrolment for the Division of Blaxland is 97 593. Blaxland could gain up to 4 776 electors, or lose up to 2 148 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance.
- 260. Blaxland shares boundaries with the divisions of Banks, Watson, Lowe, Reid, Prospect, Fowler and Hughes.
- 261. The proposed redrawing of neighbouring divisions results in the loss of 20 204 electors to the Division of Fowler; 18 939 electors to the Division of Watson; and the gain of 15 116 electors from the Division of Banks. The Division of Blaxland therefore needs to gain approximately 26 000 electors to achieve numerical tolerance.
- 262. Recognising the strong boundary provided by Prospect Creek and the community of interest that exists around Berala, Regents Park, Chester Hill, Villawood, Birrong, Yagoona and Guildford, the Committee proposes to transfer 25 980 electors at Berala, Regents Park, South Granville, Merrylands and Guildford in the Division of Reid to the Division of Blaxland. This change brings the Division of Blaxland within numerical tolerance.
- 263. The Committee notes that the Cabramatta Regents Park and Bankstown Regents Park railway lines provide additional means of communication and travel within the division.
- 264. This results in a projected enrolment for Blaxland of 99 546 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 0.65%.

McMahon (previously Lowe)

- 265. Projected enrolment for the Division of Lowe is 93 862. Lowe must gain at least 1 583 electors, but no more than 8 507 electors, to be within numerical tolerance.
- 266. Lowe shares boundaries with the divisions of North Sydney, Bennelong, Reid, Blaxland, Watson, Grayndler and Sydney.

- 267. Following the proposed changes to the divisions of Grayndler and Watson, involving the loss of 1 201 electors at Croydon and the loss of 25 266 electors at Croydon Park, Enfield and Strathfield South respectively, Lowe requires a significant number of electors to achieve numerical tolerance.
- 268. The Committee, having proposed boundaries for the divisions of Sydney, Grayndler, Watson and Blaxland, and noting the strong boundary provided to the north by the Parramatta River, proposes to transfer 33 327 electors at Lidcombe, Homebush, Homebush Bay, Silverwater, and Auburn from the Division of Reid to the Division of Lowe.
- 269. The Committee believes that in light of the breadth of change to the division, it is appropriate to use this opportunity to review its name. The Committee proposes that the division be renamed McMahon in honour of Sir William McMahon (1908-1988). Sir William was Prime Minister of Australia from March 1971 to December 1972 and also served as a federal Minister from 1951 with responsibility for a wide range of portfolios.
- 270. Sir William was also the first federal member for the Division of Lowe and represented the division continuously from 1949 until his retirement in 1982. The Committee believes that Sir William's significant service to Australia and his long association with this division make it fitting that he be honoured in this manner. Further information about the proposed name change is provided on page 24 of this report.
- 271. The projected enrolment for McMahon is 100 762 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 1.88%.

Prospect

- 272. Projected enrolment for the Division of Prospect is 96 715. Prospect could gain up to 5 654 electors, or lose up to 1 270 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance.
- 273. Prospect is bounded by the divisions of Chifley, Parramatta, Lindsay, Fowler, Blaxland, and Reid.
- 274. Changes proposed to the Division of Fowler transfer 10 841 electors in the area north of Elizabeth Drive, Edensor Road and Smithfield Road at Abbotsbury, Edensor Park and Greenfield Park to the Division of Prospect, taking Prospect above the range of tolerance by approximately 8 500 electors.
- 275. Although recognising the strong boundary provided by the use of the Great Western Highway, the Committee considers that the Western Motorway provides an equally strong boundary and therefore proposes transferring approximately 3 468 electors in the Minchinbury area to the neighbouring Division of Chifley.

- 276. The Committee further proposes that 5 380 electors be transferred to the Division of Parramatta by moving the current boundary westward at South Wentworthville and Merrylands West to the Liverpool Parramatta Transitway along Centenary and Sherwood Roads. These changes bring Prospect within the numerical range specified by the Electoral Act.
- 277. This results in a projected enrolment for Prospect of 98 708 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 0.20%.

Mackellar

- 278. Projected enrolment for the Division of Mackellar is 95 731. Mackellar could gain up to 6 638 electors, or lose up to 286 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance.
- 279. Mackellar, located between the Pacific Ocean, Cowan Creek and the Hawkesbury River, shares boundaries with the divisions of Robertson, Berowra, Bradfield and Warringah.
- 280. Mackellar is currently 3.21% below the projected enrolment average and has below average projected enrolment growth. The Committee considers that a reduction in Mackellar's variation from the average projected enrolment is warranted given its circumstances of below average projected enrolment and growth.
- 281. Given the clearly defined boundaries of the Pacific Ocean, the Hawkesbury River and Cowan Creek, the Committee considers that additional electors be drawn from the Division of Warringah. The Committee therefore proposes to transfer that part of the suburb of Forestville north of Warringah Road (3 507 electors) to Mackellar. The Committee notes that Warringah Road now forms most of the boundary between the divisions of Warringah and Mackellar.
- 282. This results in a projected enrolment for Mackellar of 99 238 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 0.33%.

Warringah

- 283. Projected enrolment for the Division of Warringah is 96 335. Warringah could gain up to 6 034 electors, or lose up to 890 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance.
- 284. Warringah adjoins the Pacific Ocean and Sydney Harbour and shares boundaries with the divisions of Mackellar, Bradfield, North Sydney and Sydney.
- 285. By using the western end of Warringah Road at Forestville as the proposed boundary with Mackellar (resulting in the loss of 3 507 electors to the Division of Mackellar), Warringah loses the transport connection with the area west of Middle Harbour.

- 286. Consequently the Committee proposes to transfer those electors west of Middle Harbour, currently in Warringah, to the Division of Bradfield (7 006 electors at East Killara, East Lindfield and Roseville Chase) and the Division of North Sydney (2 732 electors at Castle Cove and Middle Cove).
- 287. Recognising the Spit Bridge link, the Committee proposes to draw from the Division of North Sydney, 14 416 electors from the suburbs of Cremorne and Neutral Bay, to achieve numerical tolerance. The Committee notes that this change is supported by a number of suggestions.
- 288. This results in a projected enrolment for Warringah of 97 506 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 1.42%.

North Sydney

- 289. Projected enrolment for the Division of North Sydney is 96 799. North Sydney can gain up to 5 570 electors, or lose up to 1 354 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance.
- 290. North Sydney shares boundaries with the divisions of Warringah, Bradfield, Bennelong, Lowe and Sydney and is bordered by Middle Harbour, Sydney Harbour and the Lane Cove and Parramatta Rivers.
- 291. Following the proposed transfer of 14 416 electors at Cremorne and Neutral Bay to the Division of Warringah, North Sydney requires approximately 16 500 electors to remain within numerical tolerance.
- 292. Having already gained 2 732 electors at Castle Cove and Middle Cove from the Division of Warringah, the Committee proposes to transfer 13 841 electors in Chatswood, Chatswood West and Lane Cove North from the Division of Bradfield to achieve numerical tolerance.
- 293. The Committee notes the changes outlined above provide a clear boundary along Fullers Road, the Pacific Highway, Ashley Street, Scotts Creek, Eastern Valley Way and Boundary Road.
- 294. This results in a projected enrolment for North Sydney of 98 956 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 0.05%.

Bradfield

- 295. Projected enrolment for the Division of Bradfield is 97 657. Bradfield could gain up to 4 712 electors, or lose up to 2 212 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance.
- 296. Bradfield's neighbouring divisions include North Sydney, Warringah, Mackellar, Berowra and Bennelong.

- 297. The loss of 13 841 electors to the Division of North Sydney at Chatswood, Chatswood West and Lane Cove North and the addition of 7 006 electors from the Division of Warringah at East Killara, East Lindfield and Roseville Chase, means that Bradfield requires approximately a further 7 000 electors to achieve numerical tolerance.
- 298. Recognising the clear boundaries provided by Cowan Creek, Middle Harbour Creek and the Lane Cove River, the Committee proposes to transfer 6 619 electors from the Division of Berowra by moving the existing boundary of the Division of Bradfield north-west to the Northern railway line between Thornleigh, Normanhurst and Hornsby stations.
- 299. This results in a projected enrolment for Bradfield of 97 441 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 1.48%.

Berowra

- 300. Projected enrolment for the Division of Berowra is 94 410. Berowra must gain at least
 1 035 electors, but no more than 7 959 electors, to be within numerical tolerance.
 Berowra's average projected enrolment growth is below average.
- 301. Berowra shares boundaries with the divisions of Bradfield, Mackellar, Robertson, Greenway, Mitchell, Parramatta and Bennelong. Berowra is adjacent to the Hawkesbury River.
- 302. Given the proposed loss of 6 619 electors to the Division of Bradfield at Thornleigh, Hornsby and Normanhurst, Berowra requires approximately 11 000 electors to be within numerical tolerance.
- 303. The Committee notes the strong boundary provided by the Hawkesbury River and therefore proposes to transfer 8 605 electors from the Division of Mitchell, in the suburbs of Round Corner, Glenhaven and Annangrove north of Cattai Creek, to the Division of Berowra.
- 304. The Committee proposes that the balance of electors required to meet numerical tolerance be obtained by continuing the use of North Rocks Road as the electoral boundary between Berowra and the divisions of Parramatta and Bennelong. This results in 1 902 electors in the area north of North Rocks and Plympton Roads at Beecroft being transferred from the Division of Bennelong to the Division of Berowra.
- 305. This results in a projected enrolment for Berowra of 98 298 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 0.62%.

Bennelong

- 306. Projected enrolment for the Division of Bennelong is 101 041. Bennelong could gain up to 1 328 electors, or lose up to 5 596 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Bennelong's projected enrolment growth is below the state average.
- 307. Bennelong is bordered by the divisions of North Sydney, Bradfield, Berowra, Parramatta, Reid and Lowe.
- 308. Following the proposed loss of 1 902 electors at Beecroft to the Division of Berowra, Bennelong remains within numerical tolerance. The Committee proposes that no further changes be made to Bennelong.
- 309. This results in a projected enrolment in Bennelong of 99 139 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 0.23%.

Mitchell

- 310. Projected enrolment for the Division of Mitchell is 98 085. Mitchell could gain up to 4 284 electors, or lose up to 2 640 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Mitchell has enrolment growth well above average.
- 311. Mitchell shares boundaries with the divisions of Berowra, Greenway and Parramatta.
- 312. In light of the proposed loss of 8 605 electors at Round Corner, Glenhaven and Annangrove to the Division of Berowra, and given the strong existing boundary between Mitchell and the Division of Greenway along Windsor and Old Windsor Roads, the Committee proposes that the additional electors required to meet the numerical tolerance be drawn from the Division of Parramatta.
- 313. The Committee therefore proposes moving the existing boundary between Mitchell and Parramatta southward to Toongabbie Creek, Hammers Road, Windsor Road and North Rocks Road thereby transferring 9 473 electors in the suburbs of Northmead and Winston Hills to the Division of Mitchell from the Division of Parramatta.
- 314. This results in a projected enrolment for Mitchell of 98 953 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 0.05%.

Parramatta

- 315. Projected enrolment for the Division of Parramatta is 101 633. Parramatta could gain up to 736 electors, or lose up to 6 188 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Parramatta has average projected enrolment growth.
- 316. Parramatta is bounded by the divisions of Berowra, Mitchell, Greenway, Chifley, Prospect, Reid and Bennelong.

- 317. The combined loss of 9 473 electors to the Division of Mitchell in the suburbs of Northmead and Winston Hills, and the addition of 5 380 electors from the Division of Prospect at South Wentworthville and Merrylands West, moves Parramatta approximately 4 000 electors below numerical tolerance.
- 318. In considering the redrawing of boundaries for the Division of Parramatta, the Committee notes that Parramatta is the only division neighbouring the Division of Reid yet to be redrawn.
- 319. Changes to the neighbouring Division of Reid result in only 46 309 electors remaining within the Division of Reid. The Committee acknowledges that it can only merge these remaining electors from Reid with electors in the Division of Parramatta.
- 320. Noting that those 46 309 remaining electors constitute less than half of the numbers required for a division to achieve numerical tolerance, the Committee therefore proposes that they be transferred to the Division of Parramatta.
- 321. This transfer of electors moves the Division of Parramatta well above the numerical tolerance. Consequently, it is proposed that the surplus of 44 385 electors at Toongabbie, Girraween, Pendle Hill, Seven Hills, Lalor Park and Kings Langley be moved into the Division of Greenway.
- 322. Parramatta's boundaries are generally formed by Duck River, Lackey Street, the Liverpool Parramatta Transitway, the Great Western Highway, Jones Street, Binalong Road, Toongabbie Creek, North Rocks Road, Pennant Hills Road, Marsden Street, Stewart Street and Silverwater Road.
- 323. This results in a projected enrolment for Parramatta of 99 464 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 0.56%.

Greenway

- 324. Projected enrolment for the Division of Greenway is 100 267. Greenway could gain up to 2 102 electors, or lose up to 4 822 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Greenway's projected enrolment growth is well above average.
- 325. Greenway shares boundaries with the divisions of Mitchell, Berowra, Robertson, Dobell, Hunter, Macquarie, Lindsay, Chifley and Parramatta.
- 326. Having gained 44 385 electors from the Division of Parramatta at Toongabbie, Girraween, Pendle Hill, Seven Hills, Lalor Park and Kings Langley, the Division of Greenway is approximately 46 000 electors above numerical tolerance.
- 327. Given the Committee's consideration of boundaries for the other neighbouring divisions, this surplus of electors can only be transferred between the divisions of Macquarie, Lindsay and Chifley.

- 328. The Committee recognises that the suburbs of Toongabbie, Girraween, Pendle Hill, Seven Hills, Lalor Park and Kings Langley transferred from the Division of Parramatta; share a strong community of interest with suburbs already in the Division of Greenway north of Blacktown, such as Quakers Hill, Kings Park, Glenwood, Acacia Gardens and Parklea.
- 329. Further, the Committee considers the community of interest around the suburbs of Colebee, Shanes Park and Marsden Park, in the Division of Greenway lies equally with suburbs in the division and also with suburbs in the Division of Chifley such as Ropes Crossing, Oakhurst, Dean Park, Plumpton, Rooty Hill and Mount Druitt.
- 330. Therefore, the Committee proposes to transfer 7 804 electors located west of the Blacktown Richmond railway line including the suburbs of Colebee, Marsden Park and Shanes Park, from Greenway to the Division of Chifley.
- 331. The Committee notes that the number of electors gained from the Division of Parramatta is similar to the number of electors contained in Hawkesbury LGA. Recognising the community of interest between Hawkesbury and Blue Mountains LGAs and their similar regional characteristics, the Committee therefore proposes to transfer Hawkesbury LGA containing 43 634 electors to the Division of Macquarie. The Committee notes that this is consistent with a number of suggestions.
- 332. The Committee observes that following these proposed changes, the connection between the localities of Berkshire Park and Londonderry and the Division of Greenway has been removed. Consequently, the Committee considers it appropriate to transfer these localities (3 963 electors) to the Division of Lindsay.
- 333. The Committee notes that the cumulative effect of these changes has moved Greenway approximately 6 000 electors below the numerical tolerance.
- 334. Consequently, the Committee proposes a compensating adjustment transferring 9 699 electors in the localities of Prospect and Blacktown from the Division of Chifley. The Committee acknowledges the clear boundary obtained along Flushcombe Road, Bungarribee Road and Balmoral Street by this change.
- 335. This results in a projected enrolment for Greenway of 98 950 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 0.04%.

Chifley

- 336. Projected enrolment for the Division of Chifley is 98 849. Chifley could gain up to 3 520 electors, or lose up to 3 404 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Chifley's projected enrolment growth is slightly above average.
- 337. Chifley is surrounded by the divisions of Greenway, Lindsay, Prospect and Parramatta.

- 338. The Committee notes that Chifley has gained 3 468 electors at Minchinbury from the Division of Prospect and 7 804 electors in the suburbs of Colebee, Marsden Park and Shanes Park from the Division of Greenway, as well as losing 9 699 electors in the suburbs of Prospect and Blacktown to the Division of Greenway.
- 339. As Chifley remains within numerical tolerance following these changes, the Committee proposes no further changes.
- 340. This results in a projected enrolment for Chifley of 100 422 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 1.53%.

Lindsay

- 341. Projected enrolment for the Division of Lindsay is 95 501. Lindsay could gain up to 6 868 electors, or lose up to 56 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Lindsay's projected enrolment growth is slightly above average.
- 342. Divisions neighbouring Lindsay include Macquarie, Greenway, Chifley, Prospect and Fowler.
- 343. As a result of the Committee's earlier considerations, the Division of Lindsay gains 3 963 electors at Londonderry and Berkshire Park from the Division of Greenway. The Committee considers no further changes are necessary.
- 344. This results in a projected enrolment for Lindsay of 99 464 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 0.56%.

Macquarie

- 345. Projected enrolment for the Division of Macquarie is 98 261. Macquarie could gain up to 4 108 electors, or lose up to 2 816 electors, and remain within numerical tolerance. Macquarie has below average projected enrolment growth.
- 346. Macquarie shares boundaries with the divisions of Lindsay, Fowler, Macarthur, Hume, Calare, Parkes, Hunter and Greenway.
- 347. After gaining 43 634 electors in Hawkesbury LGA from the Division of Greenway, the Division of Macquarie needs to lose approximately 40 000 electors to achieve numerical tolerance.
- 348. The Committee therefore proposes to transfer 41 945 electors in Lithgow, Oberon and part of Bathurst Regional LGAs to the Division of Calare. This change brings Macquarie within numerical tolerance.
- 349. The Committee also proposes minor changes involving no electors to align with LGA boundaries.
- 350. This results in a projected enrolment for Macquarie of 99 950 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of plus 1.05%.

Calare

- 351. Projected enrolment for the Division of Calare is 90 473. Calare must gain at least 4 972 electors, but no more than 11 896 electors, to be within numerical tolerance. Calare's projected enrolment growth of 1.57% is relatively very low.
- 352. Calare is bounded by the New South Wales Queensland border and the divisions of Parkes, Farrer, Riverina, Macquarie and Hume.
- 353. The Committee's considerations of all other divisions results in the Division of Calare gaining 41 945 electors from the Division of Macquarie in Bathurst Regional, Lithgow and Oberon LGAs; and 14 493 electors from the Division of Parkes in Lithgow, Mid-Western Regional and Wellington LGAs.
- 354. Calare loses 11 793 electors in Cowra and Weddin LGAs to the Division of Hume; 34 672 electors in Bogan, Bourke, Brewarrina, Central Darling, Cobar, Forbes, Lachlan, Narromine, Parkes and Warren LGAs to the Division of Parkes; and 2 575 electors in Carrathool and Lachlan LGAs to the Division of Riverina.
- 355. The Committee also proposes minor changes not involving electors to align with LGA boundaries.
- 356. The Committee notes that a number of communities of interest exist within the Division of Calare and proposes no other adjustments to the boundaries.
- 357. This results in a projected enrolment for Calare of 97 871 or a variation from the average projected enrolment of minus 1.05%.

Conclusion

- 358. The Committee unanimously agreed on the redistributed boundaries and commends its redistribution proposal of New South Wales.
- 359. In developing and assessing the impacts of the redistribution proposal, the Committee has satisfied itself that the proposed boundaries meet the requirements of the Electoral Act.

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	Actual enrolment	Projected enrolment	
Division	19.02.2009	16.07.2012	% Growth
Banks	93 201	96 724	3.78
Barton	92 165	95 749	3.89
Bennelong	97 436	101 041	3.70
Berowra	92 328	94 410	2.26
Blaxland	93 195	97 593	4.72
Bradfield	94 343	97 657	3.51
Calare	89 076	90 473	1.57
Charlton	91 554	95 537	4.35
Chifley	93 863	98 849	5.31
Cook	93 581	95 710	2.28
Cowper	93 521	99 170	6.04
Cunningham	91 888	94 040	2.34
Dobell	91 455	97 159	6.24
Eden-Monaro	92 119	97 785	6.15
Farrer	93 877	97 032	3.36
Fowler	90 607	94 309	4.09
Gilmore	88 060	92 443	4.98
Grayndler	95 266	97 798	2.66
Greenway	90 217	100 267	11.14
Hughes	91 845	95 409	3.88
Hume	91 838	96 133	4.68
Hunter	90 792	96 505	6.29
Kingsford Smith	98 058	100 997	3.00
Lindsay	90 831	95 501	5.14
Lowe	88 360	93 862	6.23
Lyne	87 758	93 154	6.15

Table 5: Enrolment of existing divisions

	Actual enrolment	Projected enrolment	
Division	19.02.2009	16.07.2012	% Growth
Macarthur	85 827	98 236	14.46
Mackellar	93 188	95 731	2.73
Macquarie	95 332	98 261	3.07
Mitchell	89 888	98 085	9.12
Newcastle	93 547	96 974	3.66
New England	92 035	94 382	2.55
North Sydney	93 946	96 799	3.04
Page	93 649	97 375	3.98
Parkes	89 743	90 618	0.98
Parramatta	96 952	101 633	4.83
Paterson	91 477	98 271	7.43
Prospect	92 777	96 715	4.24
Reid	94 761	105 616	11.46
Richmond	91 028	97 624	7.25
Riverina	92 418	94 827	2.61
Robertson	94 666	97 591	3.09
Shortland	93 377	97 613	4.54
Sydney	87 524	96 141	9.85
Throsby	89 127	92 951	4.29
Warringah	94 004	96 335	2.48
Watson	95 989	99 077	3.22
Wentworth	98 979	101 558	2.61
Werriwa	91 472	99 796	9.10
TOTAL NSW	4 528 940	4 747 516	4.83

Proposed division	Actual enrolment 19.02.2009	% variation from average	Projected enrolment 16.07.2012	% variation from average	Approx area (sq kms)
Banks	97 237	3.06	100 403	1.51	49
Barton	93 493	-0.91	96 682	-2.25	44
Bennelong	95 492	1.21	99 139	0.23	57
Berowra	95 750	1.48	98 298	-0.62	784
Blaxland	93 534	-0.87	99 546	0.65	62
Bradfield	94 705	0.37	97 441	-1.48	99
Calare	94 960	0.64	97 871	-1.05	29 382
Charlton	92 745	-1.70	96,738	-2.19	688
Chifley	95,483	1.20	100 422	1.53	135
Cook	99 563	5.52	102 120	3.25	100
Cowper	93 286	-1.13	98 914	0.01	7 861
Cunningham	98 484	4.38	100 716	1.83	726
Dobell	91 299	-3.24	97 002	-1.93	775
Eden-Monaro	94 873	0.55	101 506	2.63	29 499
Farrer	93 877	-0.50	97 032	-1.90	199 923
Fowler	94 986	0.67	98 265	-0.65	69
Gilmore	93 972	-0.40	98 772	-0.14	4 878
Grayndler	96 477	2.25	98 999	0.09	32
Greenway	89 921	-4.70	98,950	0.04	84
Hughes	96,541	2.32	99 720	0.82	178
Hume	92 874	-1.57	96 456	-2.48	33 497
Hunter	90 548	-4.03	96 191	-2.75	20 111
Kingsford Smith	94 853	0.53	97 425	-1.50	127
Lindsay	94 558	0.22	99 464	0.56	339
Lyne	91 445	-3.08	96 924	-2.00	11 991
Macarthur	88 665	-6.03	101 484	2.61	854

Table 6 – Summary of proposed divisions

Proposed division	Actual enrolment 19.02.2009	% variation from average	Projected enrolment 16.07.2012	% variation from average	Approx area (sq kms)
Mackellar	96 733	2.52	99 238	0.33	233
Macquarie	95 938	1.68	99 950	1.05	4 374
McMahon	91 424	-3.10	100 762	1.88	66
Mitchell	91 467	-3.06	98 953	0.05	101
Newcastle	92 829	-1.62	96 307	-2.63	399
New England	99 095	5.03	101 463	2.58	60 740
North Sydney	95 672	1.40	98 956	0.05	48
Page	94 962	0.65	98 725	-0.18	18 859
Parkes	100 108	6.10	100 643	1.76	295 682
Parramatta	91 771	-2.74	99 464	0.56	56
Paterson	89 564	-5.08	96 260	-2.68	6 607
Prospect	94 705	0.37	98 708	-0.20	161
Richmond	91 028	-3.52	97 624	-1.30	2 768
Riverina	99 644	5.61	102 017	3.14	66 601
Robertson	94 822	0.50	97 748	-1.17	978
Shortland	93 377	-1.03	97 613	-1.31	205
Sydney	90 729	-3.84	99 713	0.81	91
Throsby	96 266	2.03	100 241	1.35	1 500
Warringah	94 710	0.38	97 506	-1.42	73
Watson	96 405	2.17	100 566	1.68	42
Wentworth	98 979	4.90	101 558	2.68	30
Werriwa	89 091	-5.58	97 021	-1.91	159
Total	4 528 940		4 747 516		802 121
Average	94 353		98 907		

Table 7: Summary of movement of electors between divisions

Total	4 528 940
Number of electors transferred to another division (This results in 16.87% electors changing divisions)	764 020
Number of electors remaining in their existing division	3 764 920

Table 8: General description of how proposed divisions are constituted

This table comprises 48 individual summaries that show how each proposed division is constituted from existing divisions, arranged under SLAs. Each SLA comprises a number of CCDs. The CCDs which applied at the 2006 Census of Population and Housing have been used.

Proposed divisions are displayed in alphabetical order.

The proposed transfer of electors from the existing divisions of Lowe and Reid are shown at the end.

Proposed Division of Banks

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Banks SLAs of -		
Bankstown (C) – South (part)	16 098	16 630
Canterbury (C) (part)	4 867	5 015
Hurstville (C) (part)	32 227	33 107
Total from existing Division of Banks	53 192	54 752
From existing Division of Barton SLA of –		
Kogarah (A) (part)	26 222	26 986
Total transferred from existing Division of Barton	26 222	26 986
From existing Division of Watson SLA of –		
Canterbury (C) (part)	2 999	3 051
Hurstville (C) part)	14 824	15 614
Total transferred from existing Division of Watson	17 823	18 665
Total for proposed Division of Banks	97 237	100 403
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Blaxland		
Bankstown (C) – North-East (part)	7 406	8 209
Bankstown (C) - North-West (part)	6 451	6 907
Total transferred to proposed Division of Blaxland	13 857	15 116
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Hughes		
Bankstown (C) – South (part)	22 509	22 948
Total transferred to proposed Division of Hughes	22 509	22 948

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Watson		
Bankstown (C) – North-East (part)	3 643	3 908
Total transferred to proposed Division of Watson	3 643	3 908
Transferred from Division of Banks	40 009	41 972

Proposed Division of Barton

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Barton SLA of –		
Kogarah (A) (part) Rockdale (C) (part)	10 576 55 367	10 961 57 802
Total from existing Division of Barton	65 943	68 763
From existing Division of Watson SLA of –		
Canterbury (C) (part) Hurstville (C) (part) Rockdale (C) (part)	16 598 4 514 6 438	16 792 4 572 6 555
Total transferred from existing Division of Watson	27 550	27 919
Total for proposed Division of Barton	93 493	96 682
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Banks		
Kogarah (A) (part)	26 222	26 986
Total transferred to proposed Division of Banks	26 222	26 986
Transferred from Division of Barton	26 222	26 986

Proposed Division of Bennelong

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Bennelong SLAs of –		
Hornsby (A) – South (part)	14 736	15 004
Parramatta (C) – North-East (part)	14 352	15 056
Ryde (C) (part)	66 404	69 079
Total for proposed Division of Bennelong	95 492	99 139
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Berowra		
Hornsby (A) – South (part)	1 944	1 902
Total transferred to proposed Division of Berowra	1 944	1 902
Transferred from Division of Bennelong	1 944	1 902

Proposed Division of Berowra

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Berowra SLAs of –		
Baulkham Hills (A) – North (part) Baulkham Hills (A) – South (part)	6 203 9 804	6 591 10 076
Hornsby (A) – North (part) Hornsby (A) – South (part)	41 834 28 148	42 559 28 565
Total from existing Division of Berowra	85 989	87 791
From existing Division of Bennelong SLAs of –		
Hornsby (A) – South (part)	1944	1 902
Total transferred from existing Division of Bennelong	1 944	1 902
From existing Division of Mitchell SLAs of –		
Baulkham Hills (A) – North (part) Hornsby (A) – North (part)	7 451 366	8 231 374
Total transferred from existing Division of Mitchell	7 817	8 605
Total for proposed Division of Berowra	95 750	98 298
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Bradfield		
Hornsby (A) – South (part)	6 339	6 619
Total transferred to proposed Division of Bradfield	6 339	6 619
Transferred from Division of Berowra	6 339	6 619

Proposed Division of Blaxland

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Blaxland SLAs of –		
Bankstown (C) – North-East (part) Bankstown (C) – North-West (part) Fairfield (C) – East (part) Holroyd (C) (part)	7 393 35 656 8 230 4 411	8 407 36 983 8 537 4 523
Total from existing Division of Blaxland	55 690	58 450
From existing Division of Banks SLAs of –		
Bankstown (C) – North-East (part) Bankstown (C) – North-West (part)	7 406 6 451	8 209 6 907
Total transferred from existing Division of Banks	13 857	15 116
From existing Division of Reid SLAs of –		
Auburn (A) (part) Holroyd (C) (part) Parramatta (C) – South (part)	9 846 3 120 11 021	10 512 3 344 12 124
Total transferred from existing Division of Reid	23 987	25 980
Total for proposed Division of Blaxland	93 534	99 546
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Fowler		
Fairfield (C) – East (part)	19 771	20 204
Total transferred to proposed Division of Fowler	19 771	20 204
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Watson		
Bankstown (C) – North-East (part) Canterbury (C) (part) Strathfield (A) (part)	16 946 57 731	18 158 59 722
Total transferred to proposed Division of Watson	17 734	18 939
Transferred from Division of Blaxland	37 505	39 143

Proposed Division of Bradfield

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Bradfield		
Hornsby (A) - North (part) Hornsby (A) - South (part)	1 745 9 074	1 831 10 171
Ku-ring-gai (A) (part) Willoughby (C) (part)	67 370 3 220	68 572 3 242
Total from existing Division of Bradfield	81 409	83 816
From existing Division of Berowra SLAs of –		
Hornsby (A) – South (part)	6 339	6 619
Total transferred from existing Division of Berowra	6 339	6 619
From existing Division of Warringah SLAs of –		
Ku-ring-gai (A) (part)	6 957	7 006
Total transferred from existing Division of Warringah	6 957	7 006
Total for proposed Division of Bradfield	94 705	97 441
SLA transferred to proposed Division of North Sydney		
Willoughby (C) (part)	12 934	13 841
Total transferred to proposed Division of North Sydney	12 934	13 841
Transferred from Division of Bradfield	12 934	13 841

Proposed Division of Calare

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Calare SLAs of –		
Bathurst Regional (A) – Part B (part)	1 369	1 426
Blayney (A)	4 779	5 018
Cabonne (A)	9 106	9 309
Orange (C)	24 925	25 680
Total from existing Division of Calare	40 179	41 433
From existing Division of Hunter SLAs of –		
Mid-Western Regional (A) – Part A (part)	0	(
Total transferred from existing Division of Hunter	0	(
From existing Division of Macquarie SLAs of –		
Bathurst Regional (A) – Part A	20 812	21 593
Bathurst Regional (A) – Part B (part)	2 314	2 424
Lithgow (C) (part)	14 081	14 395
Oberon (A)	3 475	3 533
Total transferred from existing Division of Macquarie	40 682	41 94
From existing Division of Parkes SLAs of –		
Lithgow (C) (part)	41	4
Mid-Western Regional (A) – Part A	12 462	12 888
Mid-Western Regional (A) – Part B (part)	463	450
Wellington (A) (part)	1 133	1 110
Total transferred from existing Division of Parkes	14 099	14 493
Total for proposed Division of Calare	94 960	97 87:
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Hume		
Cowra (A)	8 924	9 04:
Weddin (A)	2 753	2 752
Total transferred to proposed Division of Hume	11 677	11 793

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Parkes		
Bogan (A)	1 992	2 002
Bourke (A)	1729	1739
Brewarrina (A)	877	872
Central Darling (A) (part)	740	727
Cobar (A)	3 046	3 099
Forbes (A)	6 570	6 526
Lachlan (A) (part)	3 150	3 132
Narromine (A)	4 476	4 452
Parkes (A)	10 002	10 125
Warren (A)	2 023	1 998
Total transferred to proposed Division of Parkes	34 605	34 672
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Riverina		
Carrathool (A) (part)	1 121	1 097
Lachlan (A) (part)	1 494	1 478
Total transferred to proposed Division of Riverina	2 615	2 575
Transferred from Division of Calare	48 897	49 040

Proposed Division of Charlton

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Charlton SLAs of –		
Lake Macquarie (C) – North (part)	33 964	35 497
Lake Macquarie (C) – West	37 343	38 883
Newcastle (C) – Outer West (part)	19 873	20 722
Newcastle (C) – Throsby (part)	374	435
Wyong (A) – North-East (part)	0	0
Total from existing Division of Charlton	91 554	95 537
From existing Division of Newcastle SLAs of –		
Newcastle (C) – Throsby (part)	1 191	1 201
Total transferred from existing Division of Newcastle	1 191	1 201
Total for proposed Division of Charlton	92 745	96 738

Proposed Division of Chifley

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Chifley SLAs of –		
Blacktown (C) – North (part) Blacktown (C) – South-East (part) Blacktown (C) – South-West (part)	6 387 26 917 51 375	6 558 28 082 54 510
Total from existing Division of Chifley	84 679	89 150
From existing Division of Greenway SLAs of -		
Blacktown (C) – North (part)	7 458	7 804
Total transferred from existing Division of Greenway	7 458	7 804
From existing Division of Prospect SLAs of –		
Blacktown (C) – South-East (part) Blacktown (C) – South-West (part)	10 3 336	9 3 459
Total transferred from existing Division of Prospect	3 346	3 468
Total for proposed Division of Chifley	95 483	100 422
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Greenway		
Blacktown (C) – South-East (part)	9 184	9 699
Total transferred to proposed Division of Greenway	9 184	9 699
Transferred from Division of Chifley	9 184	9 699

Proposed Division of Cook

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Cook SLAs of -		
Sutherland Shire (A) – East (part)	71 477	73 282
Sutherland Shire (A) – West (part)	20 300	20 609
Total from existing Division of Cook	91 777	93 891
From existing Division of Hughes SLAs of -		
Sutherland Shire (A) – West (part)	7 786	8 229
Total transferred from existing Division of Hughes	7 786	8 229
Total for proposed Division of Cook	99 563	102 120
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Cunningham		
Sutherland Shire (A) – East (part)	1804	1 819
Total transferred to proposed Division of Cunningham	1804	1 819
Transferred from Division of Cook	1804	1 819

Proposed Division of Cowper

	Actual enrolment	Projected enrolment
How constituted	19.02.09	16.07.12
From existing Division of Cowper		
SLAs of –		
Bellingen (A)	8 995	9 332
Clarence Valley (A) – Coast (part)	5 267	5 624
Clarence Valley (A) – Grafton (part)	885	923
Clarence Valley (A) Balance (part)	1 157	1 307
Coffs Harbour (C) – Part A	34 613	37 192
Coffs Harbour (C) – Part B	12 482	13 428
Kempsey (A) (part)	16 654	17 343
Nambucca (A)	13 233	13 765
Total from existing Division of Cowper	93 286	98 914
Total for proposed Division of Cowper	93 286	98 914
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Page		
Clarence Valley (A) – Grafton (part)	235	256
Total transferred to proposed Division of Page	235	256
Transferred from Division of Cowper	235	256
Proposed Division of Cunningham

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Cunningham SLAs of –		
Wollondilly (A) (part)	9	9
Wollongong (C) – Inner	66 845	68 242
Wollongong (C) Balance (part)	25 034	25 789
Total from existing Division of Cunningham	91 888	94 040
From existing Division of Cook SLAs of -		
Sutherland Shire (A) – East (part)	1 804	1 819
Total transferred from existing Division of Cook	1 804	1 819
From existing Division of Hughes SLAs of –		
Sutherland Shire (A) – West (part)	4 792	4 857
Total transferred from existing Division of Hughes	4 792	4 857
From existing Division of Throsby SLAs of –		
Wollongong (C) – Inner (part)	0	0
Total transferred from existing Division of Throsby	0	0
Total for proposed Division of Cunningham	98 484	100 716

Proposed Division of Dobell

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Dobell SLAs of –		
Gosford (C) – East (part)	8 339	8 425
Gosford (C) – West (part)	10 257	10 564
Wyong (A) – North-East (part)	24 030	27 227
Wyong (A) – South and West	48 673	50 786
Total from existing Division of Dobell	91 299	97 002
Total for proposed Division of Dobell	91 299	97 002
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Robertson		
Gosford (C) – West (part)	156	157
Total transferred to proposed Division of Robertson	156	157
Transferred from Division of Dobell	156	157

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Eden-Monaro SLAs of –		
Bega Valley (A)	23 195	24 406
Bombala (A)	1879	1 891
Cooma-Monaro (A)	6 901	7 110
Eurobodalla (A) (part)	13 425	14 229
Palerang (A) – Part A (part)	4 337	4 978
Palerang (A) – Part B (part)	2 425	2 702
Queanbeyan (C)	25 550	27 731
Snowy River (A)	4 305	4 602
Total from existing Division of Eden-Monaro	82 017	87 649
From existing Division of Gilmore SLAs of –		
Eurobodalla (A) (part)	12 856	13 857
Total transferred from existing Division of Gilmore	12 856	13 857
Total for proposed Division of Eden-Monaro	94 873	101 506
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Riverina		
Tumbarumba (A)	2 388	2 368
Tumut Shire (A)	7 714	7 768
Total transferred to proposed Division of Riverina	10 102	10 136
Transferred from Division of Eden-Monaro	10 102	10 136

Proposed Division of Eden-Monaro

Proposed Division of Farrer

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Farrer		
SLAs of –		
Albury (C)	31 997	34 171
Balranald (A)	1 565	1 540
Berrigan (A)	5 755	6 030
Broken Hill (C)	13 759	13 705
Central Darling (A) (part)	422	423
Conargo (A)	1 167	1 173
Corowa Shire (A)	8 019	8 255
Deniliquin (A)	5 258	5 209
Greater Hume Shire (A) - Part A	2 470	2 496
Greater Hume Shire (A) - Part B	4 494	4 613
Hay (A)	2 221	2 192
Jerilderie (A)	1 187	1 163
Lockhart (A)	2 396	2 380
Murray (A)	4 660	5 107
Unincorporated Far West	523	506
Urana (A)	861	849
Wakool (A)	2 931	2 913
Wentworth (A)	4 192	4 307
Total for proposed Division of Farrer	93 877	97 032

Proposed Division of Fowler

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Fowler SLAs of –		
Fairfield (C) – East (part)	16 056 23 194	16 591 23 553
Fairfield (C) – West (part) Liverpool (C) – East (part)	23 194 11 311	23 553 11 218
Liverpool (C) – West (part)	19 419	21 148
Total from existing Division of Fowler	69 980	72 510
From existing Division of Blaxland SLAs of –		
Fairfield (C) – East (part)	19 771	20 204
Total transferred from existing Division of Blaxland	19 771	20 204
From existing Division of Hughes SLAs of –		
Liverpool (C) – East (part)	5 235	5 551
Total transferred from existing Division of Hughes	5 235	5 551
Total for proposed Division of Fowler	94 986	98 265
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Macarthur		
Liverpool (C) - West (part)	4 545	4 907
Penrith (C) – East (part)	1 042 3 213	1 106
Wollondilly (A) (part) Total transferred to proposed Division of Macarthur	3 213 8 800	3 457 9 470
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Prospect	8 800	9470
Fairfield (C) – West (part)	10 395	10 841
Total transferred to proposed Division of Prospect	10 395	10 841
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Werriwa	10 232	10.041
Liverpool (C) - West (part)	1 432	1 488
Total transferred to proposed Division of Werriwa	1 432	1 488
Transferred from Division of Fowler	20 627	21 799

Proposed Division of Gilmore

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Gilmore SLAs of –		
Kiama (A) (part) Shoalhaven (C) – Part A Shoalhaven (C) – Part B	9 115 21 614 44 475	9 476 22 690 46 420
Total from existing Division of Gilmore From existing Division of Throsby	75 204	78 586
SLAs of – Kiama (A) (part) Shellharbour (C) (part)	5 776 12 992	5 894 14 292
Total transferred from existing Division of Throsby Total for proposed Division of Gilmore	18 768 93 972	20 186 98 772
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Eden-Monaro Eurobodalla (A) (part)	12 856	13 857
Total transferred to proposed Division of Eden-Monaro Transferred from Division of Gilmore	12 856 12 856	13 857 13 857

Proposed Division of Grayndler

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Grayndler SLAs of –		
Ashfield (A) (part)	24 179	25 148
Canterbury (C) (part)	6 600	6 635
Leichhardt (A) (part)	13 684	13 941
Marrickville (A) (part)	50 803	52 074
Total from existing Division of Grayndler	95 266	97 798
From existing Division of Lowe SLAs of –		
Ashfield (A) (part)	1 211	1 201
Total transferred from existing Division of Lowe	1 211	1 201
Total for proposed Division of Grayndler	96 477	98 999

Proposed Division of Greenway

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Greenway SLAs of –		
Blacktown (C) – North (part)	37 744	44 866
Total from existing Division of Greenway	37 744	44 866
From existing Division of Chifley SLAs of –		
Blacktown (C) – South-East (part)	9 184	9 699
Total transferred from existing Division of Chifley	9 184	9 699
From existing Division of Parramatta SLAs of –		
Blacktown (C) – North (part)	6 703	6 798
Blacktown (C) – South-East (part)	24 369	25 085
Holroyd (C) (part)	6 608	7 162
Parramatta (C) – North-West (part)	5 313	5 340
Total transferred from existing Division of Parramatta	42 993	44 385
Total for proposed Division of Greenway	89 921	98 950
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Chifley		
Blacktown (C) – North (part)	7 458	7 804
Total transferred to proposed Division of Chifley	7 458	7 804
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Lindsay		
Penrith (C) – East (part)	3 287	3 482
Penrith (C) – West (part)	440	481
Total transferred to proposed Division of Lindsay	3 727	3 963
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Macquarie		
Hawkesbury (C) (part)	41 288	43 634
Total transferred to proposed Division of Macquarie	41 288	43 634
Transferred from Division of Greenway	52 473	55 401

Proposed Division of Hughes

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Hughes SLAs of –		
Liverpool (C) – East (part) Sutherland Shire (A) – West (part)	27 029 47 003	28 390 48 382
Total from existing Division of Hughes	74 032	76 772
From existing Division of Banks SLAs of –		
Bankstown (C) – South (part)	22 509	22 948
Total transferred from existing Division of Banks	22 509	22 948
Total for proposed Division of Hughes	96 541	99 720
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Cook		
Sutherland Shire (A) – West (part)	7 786	8 229
Total transferred to proposed Division of Cook	7 786	8 229
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Cunningham		
Sutherland Shire (A) – West (part)	4 792	4 857
Total transferred to proposed Division of Cunningham	4 792	4 857
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Fowler		
Liverpool (C) – East (part)	5 235	5 551
Total transferred to proposed Division of Fowler	5 235	5 551
Transferred from Division of Hughes	17 813	18 637

Proposed Division of Hume

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Hume SLAs of –		
Boorowa (A)	1 818	1799
Goulburn Mulwaree (A) – Goulburn	14 236	14 304
Goulburn Mulwaree (A) Balance	4 455	4 863
Harden (A)	2 745	2 736
Palerang (A) – Part A (part)	2 564	2 754
Palerang (A) – Part B (part)	181	209
Upper Lachlan (A)	5 486	5 564
Wingecarribee (A) (part)	5 326	5 604
Wollondilly (A) (part) Yass Valley (A)	10 758 9 808	11 355 10 604
Young (A)	9 808 8 554	10 804 8 865
Total from existing Division of Hume	65 931	68 657
From existing Division of Calare SLAs of –		
Cowra (A)	8 924	9 041
Weddin (A)	2 753	2 752
Total transferred from existing Division of Calare	11 677	11 793
From existing Division of Macarthur SLAs of –		
Wollondilly (A) (part)	9 775	10 485
Total transferred from existing Division of Macarthur	9 775	10 485
From existing Division of Riverina SLAs of –		
Cootamundra (A)	5 491	5 521
Total transferred from existing Division of Riverina	5 491	5 521
Total for proposed Division of Hume	92 874	96 456
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Throsby		
Wingecarribee (A) (part)	25 907	27 476
Total transferred to proposed Division of Throsby	25 907	27 476
Transferred from Division of Hume	25 907	27 476

Proposed Division of Hunter

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Hunter SLAs of –		
Cessnock (C)	33 462	35 151
Maitland (C) (part)	21 492	23 832
Mid-Western Regional (A) – Part A (part)	0	0
Muswellbrook (A)	9 631	10 080
Singleton (A)	14 616	15 733
Upper Hunter Shire (A) (part)	9 344	9 416
Total from existing Division of Hunter	88 545	94 212
From existing Division of Macquarie SLAs of -		
Mid-Western Regional (A) – Part B (part)	0	0
Total transferred from existing Division of Macquarie	0	0
From existing Division of Parkes SLAs of –		
Mid-Western Regional (A) – Part B (part)	1 994	1970
Upper Hunter Shire (A) (part)	9	9
Total transferred from existing Division of Parkes	2 003	1979
Total for proposed Division of Hunter	90 548	96 191
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Calare		
Mid-Western Regional (A) – Part A (part)	0	0
Total transferred to proposed Division of Calare	0	0
SLA transferred to proposed Division of New England		
Liverpool Plains (A) (part)	0	0
Total transferred to proposed Division of New England	0	0
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Paterson		
Maitland (C) (part)	2 247	2 293
Total transferred to proposed Division of Paterson	2 247	2 293
	2 247	2 293

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Kingsford Smith SLAs of –		
Botany Bay (C)	24 257	24 813
Marrickville (A) (part)	0	0
Randwick (C) (part)	70 596	72 612
Rockdale (C) (part)	0	0
Sydney (C) – East (part)	0	0
Total for proposed Division of Kingsford Smith	94 853	97 425
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Sydney		
Sydney (C) – South (part)	3 205	3 572
Total transferred to proposed Division of Sydney	3 205	3 572
Transferred from Division of Kingsford Smith	3 205	3 57 2

Proposed Division of Kingsford Smith

Proposed Division of Lindsay

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Lindsay SLAs of -		
Penrith (C) – East (part) Penrith (C) – West (part)	38 053 52 778	39 751 55 750
Total from existing Division of Lindsay	90 831	95 501
From existing Division of Greenway SLAs of -		
Penrith (C) – East (part) Penrith (C) – West (part)	3 287 440	3 482 481
Total transferred from existing Division of Greenway	3 727	3 963
Total for proposed Division of Lindsay	94 558	99 464

Proposed Division of Lyne

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Lyne SLAs of –		
Greater Taree (C)	33 357	34 660
Hastings (A) – Part A	29 935	32 570
Hastings (A) – Part B	22 052	23 416
Kempsey (A) (part)	2 414	2 508
Total from existing Division of Lyne	87 758	93 154
From existing Division of Paterson SLAs of –		
Gloucester (A)	3 687	3 770
Total transferred from existing Division of Paterson	3 687	3 770
Total for proposed Division of Lyne	91 445	96 924

Proposed Division of Macarthur

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Macarthur SLAs of –		
Camden (A) (part) Campbelltown (C) – South (part) Wollondilly (A) (part)	32 007 39 506 4 539	40 625 41 846 5 280
Total from existing Division of Macarthur	76 052	87 751
From existing Division of Fowler SLAs of –		
Liverpool (C) – West (part) Penrith (C) – East (part) Wollondilly (A) (part)	4 545 1 042 3 213	4 907 1 106 3 457
Total transferred from existing Division of Fowler	8 800	9 470
From existing Division of Werriwa SLAs of -		
Camden (A) (part) Campbelltown (C) – North (part) Campbelltown (C) – South (part)	32 252 3 529	37 259 3 967
Total transferred from existing Division of Werriwa	3 813	4 263
Total for proposed Division of Macarthur	88 665	101 484
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Hume		
Wollondilly (A) (part)	9 775	10 485
Total transferred to proposed Division of Hume	9 775	10 485
Transferred from Division of Macarthur	9 775	10 485

Proposed Division of Mackellar

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Mackellar SLAs of –		
Pittwater (A) Warringah (A) (part)	40 460 52 728	41 847 53 884
Total from existing Division of Mackellar	93 188	95 731
From existing Division of Warringah SLAs of –		
Warringah (A) (part)	3 545	3 507
Total transferred from existing Division of Warringah	3 545	3 507
Total for proposed Division of Mackellar	96 733	99 238

Proposed Division of Macquarie

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Macquarie SLAs of –		
Blue Mountains (C)	54 459	56 127
Hawkesbury (C) (part)	191	189
Wollondilly (A) (part)	0	0
Total from existing Division of Macquarie	54 650	56 316
From existing Division of Greenway SLAs of –		
Hawkesbury (C) (part)	41 288	43 634
Total transferred from existing Division of Greenway	41 288	43 634
Total for proposed Division of Macquarie	95 938	99 950
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Calare		
Bathurst Regional (A) – Part A	20 812	21 593
Bathurst Regional (A) – Part B (part)	2 314	2 424
Lithgow (C) (part)	14 081	14 395
Oberon (A)	3 475	3 533
Total transferred to proposed Division of Calare	40 682	41 945
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Hunter		
Mid-Western Regional (A) – Part B (part)	0	0
Total transferred to proposed Division of Hunter	0	C
Transferred from Division of Macquarie	40 682	41 945

Proposed Division of McMahon

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Lowe SLAs of –		
Burwood (A) (part) Canada Bay (A) – Concord (part) Canada Bay (A) – Drummoyne NSW Water Areas (part) Ryde (C) (part) Strathfield (A) (part)	6 095 21 890 25 264 2 0 9 486	6 588 23 953 26 234 2 0 10 658
Total transferred from existing Division of Lowe From existing Division of Reid SLAs of –	62 737	67 435
Auburn (A) (part) Canada Bay (A) – Concord (part) NSW Water Areas (part) Parramatta (C) – North-East (part) Ryde (C) (part) Strathfield (A) (part)	28 184 0 0 0 0 503	32 604 0 0 0 723
Total transferred from existing Division of Reid Total for proposed Division of McMahon	28 687 91 424	33 327 100 762

Proposed Division of Mitchell

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Mitchell SLAs of –		
Baulkham Hills (A) – Central (part)	49 646	52 054
Baulkham Hills (A) – North (part)	21 697	26 538
Baulkham Hills (A) – South (part)	5 338	5 370
Hornsby (A) – North (part)	3 116	3 268
Parramatta (C) – North-West	2 274	2 250
Total from existing Division of Mitchell	82 071	89 480
From existing Division of Parramatta SLAs of –		
Baulkham Hills (A) – Central (part)	526	549
Baulkham Hills (A) – South (part)	2 251	2 340
Parramatta (C) – North-West (part)	6 619	6 584
Total transferred from existing Division of Parramatta	9 396	9 473
Total for proposed Division of Mitchell	91 467	98 953
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Berowra		
Baulkham Hills (A) – North (part)	7 451	8 231
Hornsby (A) – North (part)	366	374
Total transferred to proposed Division of Berowra	7 817	8 605
Transferred from Division of Mitchell	7 817	8 605

Proposed Division of Newcastle

	Actual enrolment	Projected enrolment
How constituted	19.02.09	16.07.12
From existing Division of Newcastle SLAs of –		
Maitland (C) (part)	7 643	8 282
Newcastle (C) – Inner City	35 277	36 864
Newcastle (C) – Outer West (part)	10 284	10 546
Newcastle (C) - Throsby (part)	36 564	37 201
Port Stephens (A)	2 588	2 880
Total from existing Division of Newcastle	92 356	95 773
From existing Division of Paterson SLAs of -		
Maitland (C) (part)	473	534
Total transferred from existing Division of Paterson	473	534
Total for proposed Division of Newcastle	92 829	96 307
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Charlton		
Newcastle (C) – Throsby (part)	1 191	1 201
Total transferred to proposed Division of Charlton	1 191	1 201
Transferred from Division of Newcastle	1 191	1 201

Actual Projected enrolment enrolment How constituted 19.02.09 16.07.12 From existing Division of New England SLAs of -Armidale Dumaresq (A) – City 12 569 12 897 Armidale Dumaresq (A) Balance 2 963 3 0 6 5 6 288 6 393 Glen Innes Severn (A) Guyra (A) 3 0 1 6 3 0 6 3 Gwydir (A) (part) 1779 1 747 Inverell (A) - Part A 3 322 3 4 2 6 Inverell (A) - Part B 7 552 7 698 Liverpool Plains (A) (part) 5 371 5 388 Tamworth Regional (A) - Part A 29 705 30 957 Tamworth Regional (A) - Part B 8 321 8 4 7 2 3 551 3 6 4 0 Tenterfield (A) (part) Uralla (A) 4 2 2 0 4 2 4 1 Walcha (A) 2 300 2 301 Total from existing Division of New England 90 957 93 288 From existing Division of Hunter SLAs of -0 0 Liverpool Plains (A) (part) Total transferred from existing Division of Hunter 0 0 From existing Division of Parkes SLAs of -Gunnedah (A) 8 1 3 8 8 175 Total transferred from existing Division of Parkes 8 1 3 8 8 175 99 095 101 463 **Total for proposed Division of New England** SLA transferred to proposed Division of Page Tenterfield (A) (part) 1078 1094 Total transferred to proposed Division of Page 1078 1 0 9 4 **Transferred from Division of New England** 1078 1 094

Proposed Division of New England

Proposed Division of North Sydney

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of North Sydney SLAs of –		
Hunters Hill (A)	9 278	9 798
Lane Cove (A)	21 188	21 430
North Sydney (A) (part)	26 006	27 248
NSW Water Areas (part)	0	0
Willoughby (C) (part)	23 523	23 907
Total from existing Division of North Sydney	79 995	82 383
From existing Division of Bradfield SLAs of –		
Willoughby (C) (part)	12 934	13 841
Total transferred from existing Division of Bradfield	12 934	13 841
From existing Division of Warringah SLAs of –		
Willoughby (C) (part)	2 743	2 732
Total transferred from existing Division of Warringah	2 743	2 732
Total for proposed Division of North Sydney	95 672	98 956
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Warringah		
North Sydney (A) (part)	13 951	14 416
Total transferred to proposed Division of Warringah	13 951	14 416
Transferred from Division of North Sydney	13 951	14 416

Proposed Division of Page

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Page		
SLAs of -		
Ballina (A) (part)	21 812	22 646
Clarence Valley (A) – Coast (part)	9 567	10 107
Clarence Valley (A) – Grafton (part)	14 895	15 230
Clarence Valley (A) Balance (part)	2 843	2 897
Kyogle (A)	6 386	6 561
Lismore (C) – Part A	20 971	21 808
Lismore (C) – Part B (part)	2 240	2 369
Richmond Valley (A) – Casino	7 291	7 669
Richmond Valley (A) Balance	7 644	8 088
Total from existing Division of Page	93 649	97 375
From existing Division of Cowper SLAs of –		
Clarence Valley (A) – Grafton (part)	235	256
Total transferred from existing Division of Cowper	235	256
From existing Division of New England SLAs of –		
Tenterfield (A) (part)	1078	1 094
Total transferred from existing Division of New England	1078	1 094
Total for proposed Division of Page	94 962	98 725

Proposed Division of Parkes

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Parkes		
SLAs of –		
Coonamble (A)	2 715	2 720
Dubbo (C) – Part A	23 083	23 934
Dubbo (C) – Part B	2 464	2 509
Gilgandra (A)	3 057	3 013
Gwydir (A) (part)	2 080	2 039
Moree Plains (A)	7 948	7 961
Narrabri (A)	8 776	8 632
Walgett (A)	3 842	3 784
Warrumbungle Shire (A)	7 104	7 022
Wellington (A) (part)	4 434	4 357
Total from existing Division of Parkes	65 503	65 971
From existing Division of Calare SLAs of –		
Bogan (A)	1 992	2 002
Bourke (A)	1 729	1 739
Brewarrina (A)	877	872
Central Darling (A) (part)	740	727
Cobar (A)	3 046	3 099
Forbes (A)	6 570	6 526
Lachlan (A) (part)	3 150	3 132
Narromine (A)	4 476	4 452
Parkes (A)	10 002	10 125
Warren (A)	2 023	1 998
Total transferred from existing Division of Calare	34 605	34 672
Total for proposed Division of Parkes	100 108	100 643
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Calare		
Lithgow (C) (part)	41	45
Mid-Western Regional (A) – Part A	12 462	12 888
Mid-Western Regional (A) – Part B (part)	463	450
Wellington (A) (part)	1 133	1 110
Total transferred to proposed Division of Calare	14 099	14 493

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Hunter		
Mid-Western Regional (A) – Part B (part) Upper Hunter Shire (A) (part)	1 994 9	1 970 9
Total transferred to proposed Division of Hunter	2 003	1 979
SLA transferred to proposed Division of New England		
Gunnedah (A)	8 138	8 175
Total transferred to proposed Division of New England	8 138	8 175
Transferred from Division of Parkes	24 240	24 647

Proposed Division of Parramatta

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Parramatta SLAs of –		
Baulkham Hills (A) – South (part) Holroyd (C) (part) Parramatta (C) – Inner (part)	11 753 2 927 10 181	12 082 3 220 12 081
Parramatta (C) – North-East (part) Parramatta (C) – North-West (part)	9 675 10 027	9 819 10 573
Total from existing Division of Parramatta	44 563	47 775
From existing Division of Prospect SLAs of –		
Holroyd (C) (part)	5 121	5 380
Total transferred from existing Division of Prospect	5 121	5 380
From existing Division of Reid SLAs of –		
Holroyd (C) (part)	16 629	18 260
Parramatta (C) – Inner (part)	11 065	12 746
Parramatta (C) – North-East (part)	5 630	5 791
Parramatta (C) – South (part)	8 763	9 512
Total transferred from existing Division of Reid	42 087	46 309
Total for proposed Division of Parramatta	91 771	99 464
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Greenway		
Blacktown (C) – North (part)	6 703	6 798
Blacktown (C) – South-East (part)	24 369	25 085
Holroyd (C) Parramatta (C) – North-West (part)	6 608 5 313	7 162 5 340
Total transferred to proposed Division of Greenway	42 993	44 385
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Mitchell		
Baulkham Hills (A) – Central (part)	526	549
Baulkham Hills (A) – South (part) Parramatta (C) – North-West (part)	2 251 6 619	2 340 6 584
Total transferred to proposed Division of Mitchell	9 396	9 473
Transferred from Division of Parramatta	52 389	53 858

Proposed Division of Paterson

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Paterson SLAs of –		
Dungog (A)	6 073	6 154
Great Lakes (A)	25 645	27 703
Maitland (C) (part)	13 381	14 379
Port Stephens (A) (part)	42 218	45 731
Total from existing Division of Paterson	87 317	93 967
From existing Division of Hunter SLAs of –		
Maitland (C) (part)	2 247	2 293
Total transferred from existing Division of Hunter	2 247	2 293
Total for proposed Division of Paterson	89 564	96 260
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Lyne		
Gloucester (A)	3 687	3 770
Total transferred to proposed Division of Lyne	3 687	3 770
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Newcastle		
Maitland (C) (part)	473	534
Total transferred to proposed Division of Newcastle	473	534
Transferred from Division of Paterson	4 160	4 304

Proposed Division of Prospect

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Prospect SLAs of –		
Blacktown (C) – South-East (part) Blacktown (C) – South-West (part)	27 3	25 2
Fairfield (C) – East (part) Fairfield (C) – West (part)	28 983 16 344 20 014	30 284 16 632 21 215
Holroyd (C) (part) Penrith (C) – East (part)	18 939	19 709
Total from existing Division of Prospect From existing Division of Fowler SLAs of –	84 310	87 867
Fairfield (C) – West (part)	10 395	10 841
Total transferred from existing Division of Fowler	10 395	10 841
Total for proposed Division of Prospect	94 705	98 708
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Chifley		
Blacktown (C) – South-East (part) Blacktown (C) – South-West (part)	10 3 336	9 3 459
Total transferred to proposed Division of Chifley	3 346	3 468
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Parramatta		
Holroyd (C) (part)	5 121	5 380
Total transferred to proposed Division of Parramatta	5 121	5 380
Transferred from Division of Prospect	8 467	8 848

Proposed Division of Richmond

	Actual enrolment	Projected enrolment
How constituted	19.02.09	16.07.12
From existing Division of Richmond SLAs of –		
Ballina (A) (part)	6 833	7 751
Byron (A)	20 411	21 116
Lismore (C) – Part B (part)	6 317	6 584
Tweed (A) – Part B	13 918	14 589
Tweed (A) – Tweed Coast	6 588	7 405
Tweed (A) – Tweed-Heads	36 961	40 179
Total for proposed Division of Richmond	91 028	97 624

Proposed Division of Riverina

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Riverina		
SLAs of –		
Bland (A)	4 316	4 339
Carrathool (A) (part)	770	775
Coolamon (A)	2 896	2 966
Griffith (C)	15 581	15 919
Gundagai (A)	2 687	2 680
Junee (A)	3 662	3 7 2 2
Leeton (A)	7 268	7 186
Murrumbidgee (A)	1 530	1 515
Narrandera (A)	4 310	4 251
Temora (A)	4 361	4 342
Wagga Wagga (C) – Part A	36 243	38 216
Wagga Wagga (C) – Part B	3 303	3 395
Total from existing Division of Riverina	86 927	89 306
From existing Division of Calare SLAs of –		
Carrathool (A) (part)	1 121	1 097
Lachlan (A) (part)	1 494	1 478
Total transferred from existing Division of Calare	2 615	2 575
From existing Division of Eden-Monaro SLAs of –		
Tumbarumba (A)	2 388	2 368
Tumut Shire (A)	7 714	7 768
Total transferred from existing Division of Eden-Monaro	10 102	10 136
Total for proposed Division of Riverina	99 644	102 017
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Hume		
Cootamundra (A)	5 491	5 521
Total transferred to proposed Division of Hume	5 491	5 521
Transferred from Division of Riverina	5 491	5 5 21

Proposed Division of Robertson

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Robertson SLAs of –		
Gosford (C) – East (part) Gosford (C) – West (part)	39 537 55 129	40 822 56 769
Total from existing Division of Robertson	94 666	97 591
From existing Division of Dobell SLAs of –		
Gosford (C) – West (part)	156	157
Total transferred from existing Division of Dobell	156	157
Total for proposed Division of Robertson	94 822	97 748

Proposed Division of Shortland

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Shortland SLAs of –		
Lake Macquarie (C) – East	45 029	46 176
Lake Macquarie (C) – North (part)	20 757	21 417
Wyong (A) – North-East (part)	27 591	30 020
Total for proposed Division of Shortland	93 377	97 613

Proposed Division of Sydney

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Sydney SLAs of –		
Leichhardt (A) (part) Lord Howe Island NSW Water Areas (part) Sydney (C) – East	21 211 278 2 9 721	22 354 278 2 10 084
Sydney (C) – Inner (part) Sydney (C) – South (part) Sydney (C) – West Total from existing Division of Sydney	6 670 29 049 20 593 87 524	8 772 33 272 21 379 96 141
From existing Division of Kingsford Smith SLAs of –		
Sydney (C) – South (part) Total transferred from existing Division of Kingsford Smith	3 205 3 205	3 572 3 572
Total for proposed Division of Sydney	90 729	99 713

Proposed Division of Throsby

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Throsby SLAs of –		
Shellharbour (C) (part) Wollongong (C) Balance	30 489 39 870	31 486 41 279
Total from existing Division of Throsby	70 359	72 765
From existing Division of Hume SLAs of –		
Wingecarribee (A) (part)	25 907	27 476
Total transferred from existing Division of Hume	25 907	27 476
Total for proposed Division of Throsby	96 266	100 241
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Cunningham		
Wollongong (C) – Inner (part)	0	0
Total transferred to proposed Division of Cunningham	0	0
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Gilmore		
Kiama (A) (part)	5 776	5 894
Shellharbour (C) (part)	12 992	14 292
Total transferred to proposed Division of Gilmore	18 768	20 186
Transferred from Division of Throsby	18 768	20 186

Proposed Division of Warringah

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Warringah SLAs of –		
Manly (A)	24 725	25 584
Mosman (A)	18 452	18 663
NSW Water Areas (part)	1	1
Warringah (A) (part)	37 581	38 842
Total from existing Division of Warringah	80 759	83 090
From existing Division of North Sydney SLAs of –		
North Sydney (A) (part)	13 951	14 416
Total transferred from existing Division of North Sydney	13 951	14 416
Total for proposed Division of Warringah	94 710	97 506
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Bradfield		
Ku-ring-gai (A) (part)	6 957	7 006
Total transferred to proposed Division of Bradfield	6 957	7 006
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Mackellar		
Warringah (A) (part)	3 545	3 507
Total transferred to proposed Division of Mackellar	3 545	3 507
SLA transferred to proposed Division of North Sydney		
Willoughby (C) (part)	2 743	2 7 3 2
Total transferred to proposed Division of North Sydney	2 743	2 732
Transferred from Division of Warringah	13 245	13 245

Proposed Division of Watson

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Watson SLAs of –		
Canterbury (C) (part)	50 616	52 493
Total from existing Division of Watson	50 616	52 493
From existing Division of Banks SLAs of –		
Bankstown (C) – North-East (part)	3 643	3 908
Total transferred from existing Division of Banks	3 643	3 908
From existing Division of Blaxland SLAs of –		
Bankstown (C) – North-East (part)	16 946	18 158
Canterbury (C) (part)	57	59
Strathfield (A) (part)	731	722
Total transferred from existing Division of Blaxland	17 734	18 939
From existing Division of Lowe SLAs of –		
Ashfield (A) (part)	15	15
Burwood (A) (part)	12 866	13 609
Canterbury (C) (part)	2 653	2 682
Strathfield (A) (part)	8 878	8 920
Total transferred from existing Division of Lowe	24 412	25 226
Total for proposed Division of Watson	96 405	100 566
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Banks		
Canterbury (C) (part)	2 999	3 051
Hurstville (C) (part)	14 824	15 614
Total transferred to proposed Division of Banks	17 823	18 665
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Barton		
Canterbury (C) (part)	16 598	16 792
Hurstville (C) (part)	4 514	4 572
Rockdale (C) (part)	6 438	6 555
Total transferred to proposed Division of Barton	27 550	27 919
Transferred from Division of Watson	45 373	46 584

Proposed Division of Wentworth

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Wentworth SLAs of –		
Randwick (C) (part)	7 044	7 368
Sydney (C) – East (part)	18 018	18 536
Sydney (C) – Inner (part)	24	20
Waverley (A)	38 665	39 828
Woollahra (A)	35 228	35 806
Total for proposed Division of Wentworth	98 979	101 558

Proposed Division of Werriwa

How constituted	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
From existing Division of Werriwa SLAs of –		
Camden (A) (part)	1 935	2 290
Campbelltown (C) – North (part)	46 881	49 364
Campbelltown (C) – South (part)	2 084	2 134
Liverpool (C) – East (part)	18 405	19 463
Liverpool (C) – West (part)	18 354	22 282
Total from existing Division of Werriwa	87 659	95 533
From existing Division of Fowler SLAs of –		
Liverpool (C) – West (part)	1 432	1 488
Total transferred from existing Division of Fowler	1 432	1 488
Total for proposed Division of Werriwa	89 091	97 021
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Macarthur		
Camden (A) (part)	32	37
Campbelltown (C) – North (part)	252	259
Campbelltown (C) – South (part)	3 529	3 967
Total transferred to proposed Division of Macarthur	3 813	4 263
Transferred from Division of Werriwa	3 813	4 263

How distributed	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
SLA transferred to proposed Division of Grayndler		
Ashfield (A) (part)	1 211	1 201
Total transferred to proposed Division of Grayndler	1 211	1 201
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of McMahon		
Burwood (A) (part) Canada Bay (A) – Concord (part) Canada Bay (A) – Drummoyne NSW Water Areas (part) Ryde (C) (part) Strathfield (A) (part) Total transferred to proposed Division of McMahon	6 095 21 890 25 264 2 0 9 486 62 737	6 588 23 953 26 234 2 0 10 658 67 435
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Watson		
Ashfield (A) (part) Burwood (A) (part) Canterbury (C) (part) Strathfield (A) (part)	15 12 866 2 653 8 878	15 13 609 2 682 8 920
Total transferred to proposed Division of Watson	24 412	25 226
Total transferred from Division of Lowe	88 360	93 862

Proposed transfer of Division of Lowe

How distributed	Actual enrolment 19.02.09	Projected enrolment 16.07.12
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Blaxland		
Auburn (A) (part) Holroyd (C) (part) Parramatta (C) – South (part)	9 846 3 120 11 021	10 512 3 344 12 124
Total transferred to proposed Division of Blaxland	23 987	25 980
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of McMahon		
Auburn (A) (part) Canada Bay (A) – Concord (part) NSW Water Areas (part) Parramatta (C) – North-East (part) Ryde (C) (part)	28 184 0 0 0 0	32 604 0 0 0 0
Strathfield (A) (part)	503	723
Total transferred to proposed Division of McMahon	28 687	33 327
SLAs transferred to proposed Division of Parramatta		
Holroyd (C) (part) Parramatta (C) – Inner (part) Parramatta (C) – North-East (part) Parramatta (C) – South (part)	16 629 11 065 5 630 8 763	18 260 12 746 5 791 9 512
Total transferred to proposed Division of Parramatta	42 087	46 309
Total transferred from Division of Reid	94 761	105 616

Proposed transfer of Division of Reid