

POLITICS

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THIS SECTION INCLUDES POLITICAL DATA of colonial, state and Australian history. The data focus on elections, and condense a wide range of material from a wide range of sources. Those readers seeking further details are referred to Colin A. Hughes and B. D. Graham, *A handbook of Australian government and politics 1890–1964*, Canberra 1968; Colin A. Hughes, *A handbook of Australian government and politics 1965–1974*, Canberra 1977; Colin A. Hughes, *1977–83 supplement to a handbook of Australian government and politics, 1965–1974* (Mimeo).

The starting point for the colonial data was the inauguration of responsible government, and the inauguration of the Commonwealth for the Australian data. The early colonial data should be interpreted with some caution. The contemporary sources did not always contain full information, especially about election results, and even official publications occasionally provided conflicting material. Efforts have been made to cross-check for reliability, but this was not always possible, especially for the early decades of responsible government.

The data for enrolment include both the total enrolment at each election and the enrolment in the contested electorates. This enables the analysis of turnout for each election. In most colonial elections, and in some of the states well into the twentieth century, the election systems included a range of multi-member electorates. Hence, the total formal votes are different from the sum of voters and informal. The former is the total of *votes* cast; the latter refers to *voters*. These data were very difficult to find and to verify for the early colonial elections and need to be interpreted with caution. In some cases, even the official reports were incomplete and included comments such as ‘record not kept’, ‘this figure was not reported by the returning officer’, or even ‘approximation only’. Informal votes were not recorded at all for many of the early elections.

Several of the tables deal with political parties. Until the early 1890s, electoral and parliamentary politics were a matter of pressure groups and factions. By 1910, a party system had emerged across Australia, but through different processes and with different results in each state. For a detailed analysis of these see P. Loveday, A. W. Martin, R. S. Parker (eds), *The emergence of the Australian party system*, Sydney 1977. The party systems continued to change, especially with the emergence and disappearance of a constellation of minor parties. The Labor and Liberal parties have had a continuous existence in all states, although the latter has undergone changes in name (Liberal, Nationalist, United Australia and Liberal again). Where the Country (National) party and the Democratic Labor Party were significant over time, they have been included under

separate headings. All other parties have been aggregated into an 'other' category, with any one party named only if its electoral support was at least 5 per cent of the total formal votes.

Data are also given for Australian referendums called as proposals to amend the constitution. To succeed, a referendum requires an overall 'yes' majority in the Australian electorate, and a majority in favour in at least four of the six states.

The upper houses (legislative councils) of the states have had varying histories. Those in Queensland and New South Wales were originally appointed, not elected. The former was abolished in 1922, and the latter became fully elective in 1978.

Over the period of 130 years, there have been constant changes to electoral laws, electoral systems and electoral geographies. These tables refer to only some of the major changes. The references noted above, and parliamentary papers, will provide detailed information.



POL 1-7 VOTES BY PARTY, AUSTRALIAN SENATE, GENERAL
ELECTIONS 1901-1983

POL 8-14 VOTES BY PARTY, AUSTRALIAN HOUSE OF
REPRESENTATIVES, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1901-1983

Year	Formal ^a	ALP	L-NP	DLP	AD	Ind	Other	Year	Formal ^a	ALP	L-NP	DLP	AD	Ind	Other	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7		8	9	10	11	12	13	14		
1901	2 669 908	360 494	2 250 735 ^b				58 679	1901	505 972	79 736	337 903 ^b				8 384	
1903	2 872 132	834 628	1 489 616 ^b				365 851	1903	720 938	223 163	461 895 ^b				32 364	
1906	2 975 550	1 152 517	1 753 970 ^b				26 771	1906	951 688	348 711	565 736 ^b				15 067	
1910	4 018 119	2 021 090	1 830 353				134 976	1910	1 322 582	660 864	596 350				65 368	
1913	5 752 197	2 802 529	2 840 420				48 699	1913	1 900 369	921 099	930 076				49 194	
1914	11 734 122	6 119 018	5 605 305				79 799	1914	1 686 763	858 451	796 397				31 915	
1917	6 350 370	2 776 648	3 516 354				24 676	1917	1 883 434	827 541	1 021 138				34 755	
1919	1 857 823	795 858	1 025 083				26 374	1919	1 909 231	811 244	1 069 910				28 077	
1922	1 565 087	715 219	814 057				31 998	1922	1 572 514	665 145	825 372				71 674	
1925	2 805 002	1 262 912	1 537 282				4 808	1925	2 916 638	1 313 627	1 551 760				51 251	
1928	2 905 833	1 422 418	1 466 323				17 092	1928	2 595 085	1 158 505	1 327 921				108 659	
1931	3 135 523	1 297 088 ^c	1 737 611				71 181	1929	2 879 250	1 406 327	1 411 669				61 254	
1934	3 287 831	1 358 196 ^c	1 749 428				15 105	1931	3 172 034	1 194 822 ^c	1 707 915				260 786	
1937	3 504 630	1 699 172	1 636 889				118 768	1934	3 515 385	1 462 731 ^c	1 761 529				113 037	
1940	3 632 817	1 637 935 ^c	1 831 138				71 760	1937	3 603 341	1 555 737	1 800 327				214 088	
1943	3 883 170	2 139 164	1 518 913				75 105	1940	3 876 986	1 759 662 ^c	1 703 185				96 585	
1946	4 097 326	2 133 272	1 775 022				27 767	1943	4 122 491	2 058 578	1 364 179				312 948	
1949	4 192 525	1 881 956	2 113 447				46 926	1946	4 344 744	2 229 091 ^c	1 896 556				101 191	
1951	4 244 237	2 029 751	2 198 687				20 435	1949	4 604 410	2 149 958 ^c	2 314 143				501 054	
1953	4 591 589	2 323 968	2 039 938				20 666	20 017	1951	4 565 899	2 174 840	2 298 512				198 680
1955	4 441 025	1 803 335	2 161 460				38 715	1954	4 537 288	2 280 098	2 144 979				51 001	
1958	4 612 059	1 973 027	2 084 193				19 648	1955	4 395 535	1 961 829	2 093 930				139 645	
1961	4 812 263	2 151 339	2 025 078				46 499	1958	4 993 493	2 137 890	2 324 500				31 466	
1964	5 169 050	2 308 670	2 362 131				10 151	1961	5 246 033	2 512 929	2 208 213				29 914	
1967	5 529 888	2 489 990	2 365 373				55 192	1963	5 474 713	2 489 184	2 520 321				35 757	
1970	6 628 833	2 376 215	2 149 023				291 093	1966	5 709 749	2 282 834	2 853 890				35 035	
1974	6 612 385	3 127 197	2 901 454 ^d				148 704	1969	6 114 118	2 870 792	2 649 219				82 948	
1975	7 173 427	2 934 911	3 711 512				162 350	1972	6 601 050	3 273 549	2 737 911				72 666	
1977	7 396 207	2 718 876	3 369 842				123 192	1974	7 391 006	3 644 110	3 437 362 ^d				141 090	
1980	7 692 364	3 250 187	3 352 521				711 805	1975	7 732 578	3 313 004	4 151 562 ^d				80 120	
1983	7 997 549	3 637 316	3 195 397				205 299	1977	7 922 850	3 141 048	113 271				65 451	
							212 233	1980	8 305 633	3 749 605	3 853 585				178 024	
							47 206	1983	8 684 863	4 297 686	3 787 274				32 384	
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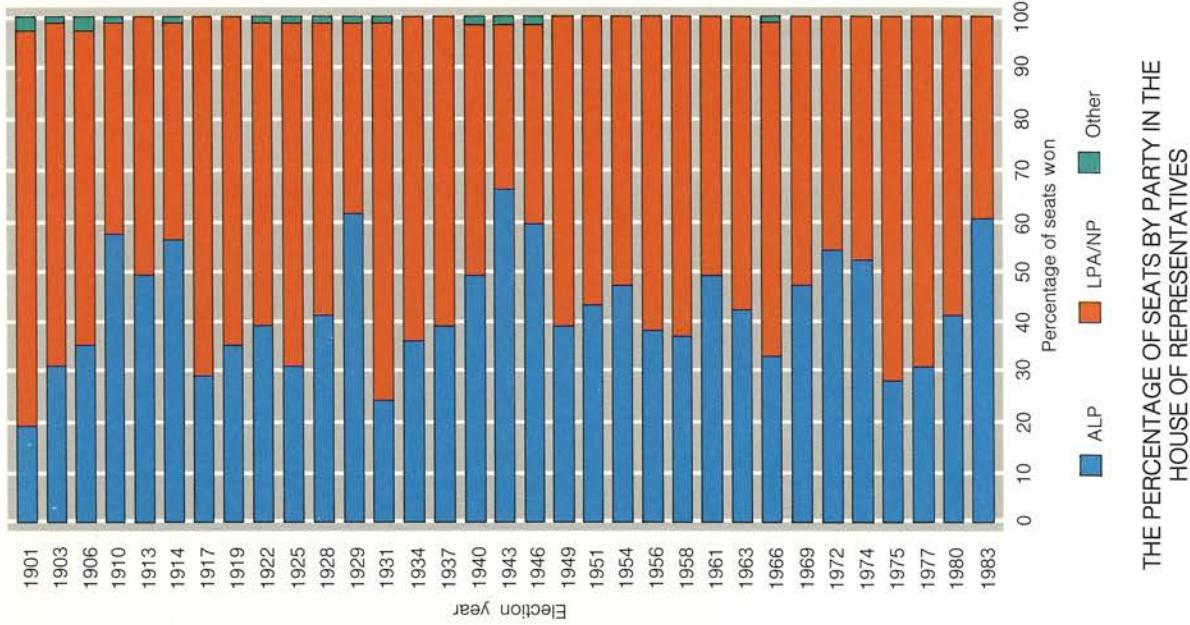
(a) In 1901-17, aggregate valid vote.
(b) Free Trade plus Protectionist party.
(c) Includes Lang Labor.
(d) Includes National Alliance.

KEY TO ABBREVIATIONS

AD	Australian Democrats
ALP	Australian Labor Party
DLP	Democratic Labor Party
Ind	Independent
L-NP	Liberal-National parties
LPA	Liberal Party of Australia (and predecessors)
NP	National party (and predecessors)
	The tables use the modern name for each party. 'National party' is used for instance, although over time that party was called the Australian Country party and the National Country party.

Men and Women of Australia! The decision we will make for our country on the second of December is a choice between the past and the future, between the habits and fears of the past, and the demands and opportunities of the future.' Labor opposition leader Gough Whitlam in his policy speech, 30 November 1972.

(a) In 1907-17, aggregate valid vote.
(b) Free Trade plus Protectionist party.
(c) Includes Lang Labor.
(d) Includes Liberal Reform Party.



POL 15-23 AUSTRALIAN SENATE, SEATS WON BY PARTY, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1901-1983

Year	SEATS WON			SEATS HELD			Total
	ALP	LPA	NP	Other	ALP	LPA	
1901 ^a	15	16	17	18	19	20	22
1903	10	4 ^b	3 ^c	2	4	9 ^b	11
1906	5	11 ^b	2 ^c	10	6 ^b	2 ^c	23
1910	18			4	14		23
1913	11	7		18			36
1914 ^a	31	5	31	5			36
1917	18	12	6	12	6		36
1919	1	18		17			36
1922	11	8		1	15	1	36
1925	18	4	7	7	7	2	36
1928	7	10	2	15	2	2	36
1931	3	12	3	7	9	2	36
1934	14	4	3	12	3	2	36
1937	16	2	1	13	4	1	36
1940	3	13	3	14	2	1	36
1943	19			3	12	2	36
1946	16	2	1	17	4	2	36
1949	19	21	2	14	3	1	36
1951 ^a	28	4	28	28	4	4	60
1953	17	13	2	12	16	2	60
1955	12	13	4	1d	17	13	60
1958	15	13	3	1d	11	12	60
1961	14	12	4	1e	15	12	60
1964	14	11	3	2d	14	12	60
1967	13	10	4	3f	14	11	60
1970	14	11	2	58	12	10	60
1974 ^a	29	23	6	2h	29	23	60
1975 ^a	27	27	8	2h	27	8	60
1977	14	16	2	2i	12	13	60
1980	15	12	3	4j	12	14	60
1983 ^a	30	23	5	6k	30	23	60

(a) Full membership elected.

(b) Free Trade party.

(c) Protectionist party.

(d) DLP.

(e) Independent.

(f) 2 DLP, 1 Ind.

(g) 3 DLP, 2 Ind.

(h) 1 Liberal Movement, 1 Ind.

(i) AD.

(j) 3 AD, 1 Ind.

(k) 5 AD, 1 Ind.

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POL 29-37 NATIONAL REFERENDUMS, AUSTRALIA 1906-1977

Date	TURNOUT				NATIONAL VOTES				States, majority yes	Car- ried
	Enrol- ment	Votes	Informal	Formal	Yes	No	% Yes			
		29	30	31	32	33	34	35		
8 Nov 1906	2 109 562	1 058 277	112 115	946 162	774 011	162 470	82.7	N V Q S T W	Yes	
28 Feb 1910a	2 258 482	1 403 976	96 209	1 307 767	715 053	586 271	49.0	Q T W	No	
b			82 437	1 321 539	645 514	670 838	55.0	V Q S T W	Yes	
15 Mar 1911a	2 341 624	1 248 226	20 869	1 227 357	483 356	742 704	39.4	W	No	
b			21 854	1 226 372	488 668	736 392	39.9	W	No	
24 Apr 1913a	2 760 216	2 033 216	89 736	1 943 515	958 419	982 615	49.4	Q S W	No	
b			83 235	1 950 016	960 711	986 824	49.3	Q S W	No	
c			81 558	1 951 693	961 601	987 611	49.3	Q S W	No	
d			87 496	1 945 755	967 331	975 943	49.1	Q S W	No	
e			171 658	1 861 593	917 165	941 947	49.8	Q S W	No	
f			84 366	1 948 885	956 358	990 046	49.3	Q S W	No	
28 Oct 1916	2 789 830	2 308 603	61 013	2 247 590	1 087 557	1 160 033	48.4	V T W	No	
20 Dec 1917	2 776 440	2 258 221	61 315	2 196 906	1 015 159	1 181 747	46.2	T W	No	
3 Nov 1919a	2 849 862	2 032 937	195 394	1 837 543	911 357	924 160	49.7	V Q W	No	
b			357 580	1 675 357	813 880	859 451	48.6	V Q W	No	
26 July 1926a	3 254 952	2 964 952	97 641	2 866 743	1 247 088	1 619 655	43.5	N Q	No	
b			171 089	2 793 295	1 195 502	1 597 793	42.8	N Q	No	
9 Oct 1928	3 444 766	3 224 500	213 257	3 011 243	2 237 391	773 852	74.3	N V Q S T W	Yes	
1937a	3 980 728	3 744 363	150 355	3 594 008	1 924 946	1 669 062	53.6	V Q	No	
b			270 167	3 474 196	1 259 808	2 214 388	36.6		No	
4 July 1944	4 483 949	4 325 451	56 633	4 268 818	1 963 400	2 305 418	47.0	S W	No	
21 Aug 1946a	4 739 853	4 453 941	228 859	4 225 082	2 297 934	1 927 148	54.4	N V Q S T W	Yes	
b			269 506	4 184 435	2 116 264	2 068 171	50.6	N V W	No	
c			357 806	4 096 135	2 060 275	2 035 860	50.3	N V W	No	
12 Apr 1948	4 783 887	4 476 001	64 106	4 411 895	1 793 712	2 618 183	40.7		No	
10 Aug 1951	4 974 337	4 754 589	66 653	4 687 936	2 317 927	2 370 009	49.4	Q T W	No	
28 Apr 1967a	6 182 585	5 801 584	90 975	5 710 609	2 298 669	3 411 940	40.3	N	No	
b			91 464	5 710 120	5 183 113	527 007	90.8	N V Q S T W	Yes	
12 Nov 1973a	7 653 469	7 147 367	96 135	7 051 232	3 089 139	3 962 093	43.8		No	
b			114 967	7 032 400	2 420 315	4 612 085	34.4		No	
20 Apr 1974a	7 759 714	7 410 511	123 663	7 286 848	3 519 710	3 767 138	48.3	N	No	
b			123 081	7 287 430	3 497 507	3 789 923	48.0	N	No	
c			124 171	7 288 340	3 439 471	3 846 869	47.2	N	No	
d			139 010	7 271 501	3 406 724	3 864 777	46.9	N	No	
10 Dec 1977a	8 242 383	7 605 882	134 928	7 470 954	4 648 407	2 822 547	62.2	N V S	No	
b			135 148	7 470 734	5 477 771	1 992 963	73.3	N V Q S T W	Yes	
c			136 057	7 469 825	5 805 669	1 664 156	77.7	N V Q S T W	Yes	
d			139 914	7 465 968	5 980 394	1 485 574	80.1	N V Q S T W	Yes	

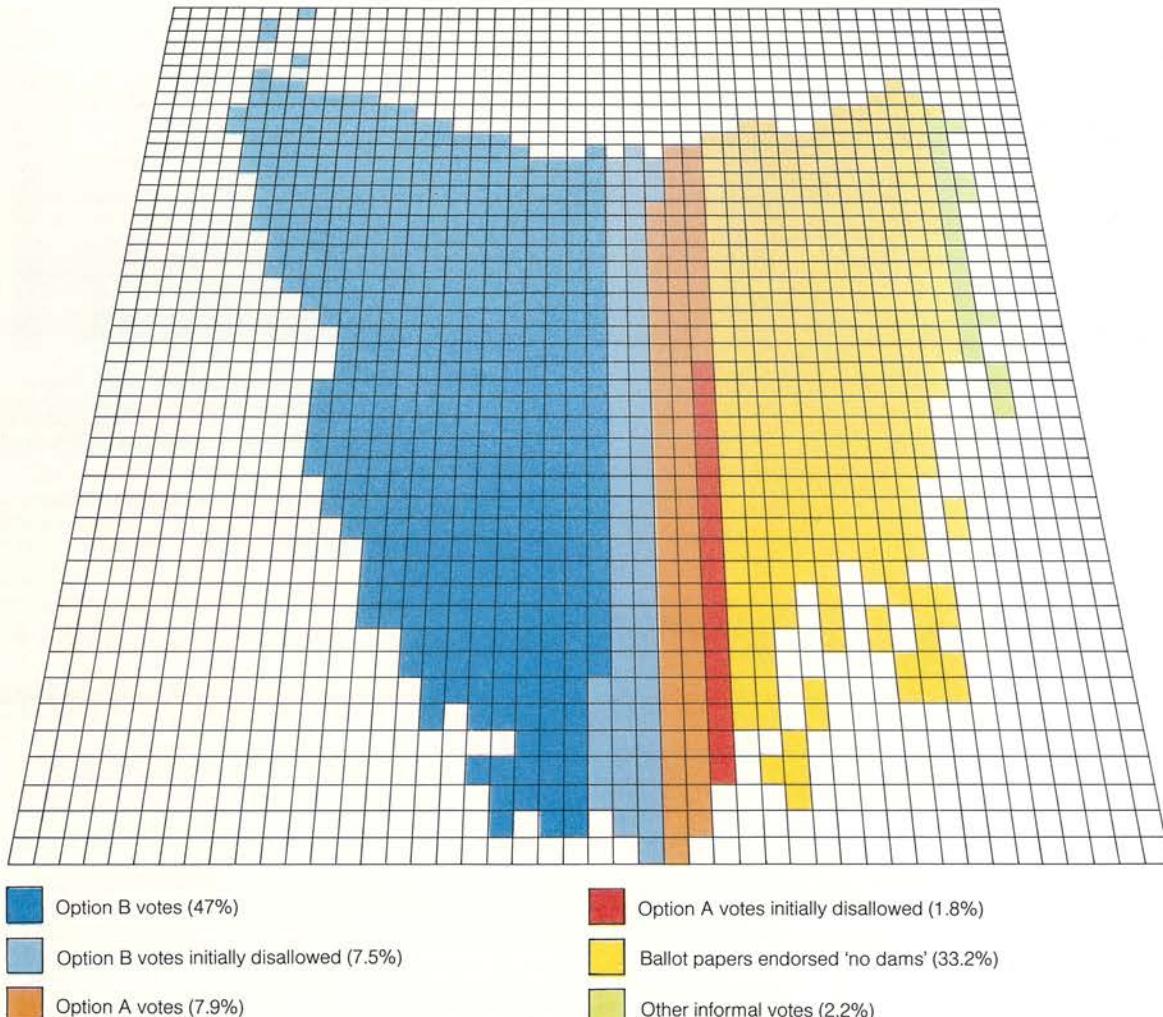
NOTE Referendums were conducted on the following subjects:

- 1906 To alter from January to July the date on which the term of a senator begins, and to provide for other matters connected with election of senators.
- 1910a To vary the financial arrangements between the commonwealth and the states, to provide for per capita payments to each state and special payments to WA.
b To take over the public debts of the states whenever incurred.
- 1911a Legislative powers referendum. To deal with: (i) trade and commerce, without any limitations; (ii) the control and regulation of corporations of all kinds, except those formed solely for religious, charitable, scientific or artistic purposes; (iii) labour and employment, including wages and conditions of labour and the settlement of industrial disputes generally; and (iv) combinations and monopolies in relation to the production, manufacture, or supply of goods or services.
b Monopolies referendum. To make laws for the commonwealth to carry on, control or acquire a declared monopoly.
- 1913a As in 1911a, but excluding interstate trade and commerce on state railways.
b As in 1911a(ii).
c To make laws with respect to labour, employment, and unemployment, including the terms and conditions of labour, the rights and obligations of employers and employees, strikes and lockouts, the maintenance of industrial peace and the settlement of industrial dispute.
d To make laws with respect to conciliation and arbitration for the prevention and settlement of industrial disputes in relation to employment in the railway service of a state.
e As in (iv) under Legislative powers referendum 1911, but expressly including 'trusts'.
f As in Monopolies referendum 1911, but excluding any industry or business carried on by a state.
- 1916 To enable conscription for overseas military service.
- 1917 To reinforce voluntary enlistment with compulsory service overseas.
- 1919a To extend temporarily commonwealth powers over trade and commerce, corporation, industrial matters and trusts.
b To extend temporarily the legislative powers of the commonwealth in regard to the nationalisation of monopolies.
- 1926a To make laws with respect to: (i) corporations generally (with certain exceptions); (ii) the prevention and settlement of all industrial disputes; (iii) the establishment of authorities to regulate industrial matters; (iv) investing state authorities with industrial powers, and (v) trusts and combines, and industrial associations of employers and employees.
b To make laws for protecting the interests of the public in case of actual or probable interruption of any essential service.
- 1928 To validate the financial agreement on state debts and commonwealth and state borrowings.
- 1937a To make laws with respect to air navigation and aircraft.
b To make commonwealth laws on marketing free of section 92 of the constitution.
- 1944 To empower the commonwealth, for a period of 5 years after the cessation of hostilities, to make laws with respect to: (i) the reinstatement and advancement of members of the fighting forces, and the advancement of dependants of deceased members; (ii) employment and unemployment; (iii) organised marketing of commodities; (iv) uniform company legislation; (v) trusts, combines and monopolies; (vi) profiteering and prices; (vii) production and distribution of goods (no law in respect of primary

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- production to have effect in a state unless approved by that state, and no law to discriminate between states or parts of states); (viii) control of overseas exchange and investment, and regulation of the raising of money approved by the Australian Loan Council; (ix) air transport; (x) uniformity of railway gauges; (xi) national works (with the consent and cooperation of the states); (xii) family allowances; and (xiii) the people of the Aboriginal race (The proposed law contained provisions to safeguard freedoms of speech, expression and religion).
- 1946a To make laws for the provision of maternity allowances, widows' pensions, child endowment, unemployment, pharmaceutical, sickness and hospital benefits, medical and dental services (but not so as to authorise any form of civil conscription), benefits to students and family allowances.
- b To make laws for the organised marketing of primary products, free of section 92 of the constitution.
- c To make laws on employment in industry, but not so as to authorise any form of industrial conscription.
- 1948 To make laws with respect to rents and prices.
- 1951 To make laws with respect to communists and communism as the parliament considers necessary or expedient for the defence or security of the commonwealth or for the execution or maintenance of the constitution.
- 1967a To remove the need for proportionate increase in senators whenever increasing numbers of representatives.
- b To count Aborigines in census as Australians and to empower commonwealth to legislate for all of them.
- 1973a To permit commonwealth price control.
- b To permit commonwealth incomes control.
- 1974a To provide for synchronised House and Senate polls at all times.
- b To require only majorities in 3 states and majority of Australians to approve amendments. Territories' residents to vote in referendums.
- c To require memberships of House of Representatives and all state houses to be directly elected by equal electorates.
- d To give local governments representation and borrowing rights in Loan Council.
- 1977a To ensure synchronised Senate and House polls.
- b To ensure as far as possible senate casual vacancies are filled for balance of term by persons of same party as the senators elected in first instance.
- c Electors in territories to have vote in constitutional referendums.
- d To provide for retiring ages for judges of federal courts.

(a) N=NSW, V=Vic, Q=Qld, S=SA, T=Tas, W=WA.



TASMANIAN DAMS REFERENDUM, 12 DECEMBER 1981

Option A: Wanted the dam built above the Gordon River junction with the Olga River.

Option B: Wanted the dam built below the Gordon River junction with the Franklin River.

POL 38-49 NEW SOUTH WALES LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1856-1984

Date	CONTESTED SEATS				TURNOUT			VOTES, BY PARTY				
	Total seats	Total enrolment	Number	Total enrolment in	Votes	Informal	Formal	ALP	LPA	NP	Ind	Other
	38	39	40	41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49
11 Mar-19 Apr 1856	54	44 526	..	..	..	..	..
13 Jan-12 Feb 1858	72	72 177	58	56 981	27 894	..	27 468					
9 June-7 July 1859	72	88 346	53	63 032	27 490	22	27 468					
6-24 Dec 1860	72	106 189	53	75 676	28 340	29	28 311					
22 Nov-18 Jan 1864	72	119 872	57	90 736	44 311	31	44 280					
3 Dec-10 Jan 1869	72	128 734	61	108 080	56 331	102	56 229					
13 Feb-28 Mar 1872	72	151 798	64	125 488	60 004	80	59 924					
8 Dec-12 Jan 1874	72	160 843	62	104 575	57 651	334	57 317					
24 Oct-12 Nov 1877	72	160 945	56	120 698	62 172	..	..			
18 Nov-2 Dec 1880	108	188 500	94	140 848	90 657	1 785	88 872					
30 Nov-21 Dec 1882	113	196 289	96	166 260	96 852	2 002	94 840					
16-31 Oct 1885	122	232 190	114	203 669	124 378	2 564	121 814					
4-26 Feb 1887	124	256 406	117	226 229	131 062	2 275	128 787					
1-16 Feb 1889	137	280 160	124	257 763	154 924	2 641	152 283					
17 June-3 July 1891	141	305 456	134	285 897	183 751	3 662	180 089	92 563	172 363	17 646	140 415 ^a	
17 July 1894	125	257 499	124	255 802	204 266	3 310	200 956	32 141	56 628	58 718	53 469 ^a	
24 July 1895	125	235 125	117	238 233	153 034	1 354	151 680	19 145	64 153	13 836	54 546 ^a	
27 July 1898	125	302 000	122	294 752	178 617	1 638	176 979	20 133	57 238	99 608		
3 July 1901	125	298 673	112	270 861	196 514	1 534	194 980	36 427	64 971	50 210	43 372	
6 Aug 1904	90	689 490	88	675 448	400 595	3 973	396 622	91 177	176 799	128 646		
10 Sept 1907	90	745 900	85	707 395	471 951	13 543	458 408	150 645	207 449	100 314		
4 Oct 1910	90	867 695	87	844 381	583 014	10 514	572 500	280 056	240 154	52 290		
6 Dec 1913	90	1 037 999	87	1 002 816	684 352	15 751	668 601	311 747	219 525	40 674	96 655 ^b	
24 Mar 1917	90	1 109 830	83	1 013 266	622 478	6 332	616 146	264 401	292 306	25 605	33 834	
20 Mar 1920	90	1 154 437	90	1 154 437	648 709	62 900	585 809	252 371	175 280	39 377	118 781 ^c	
25 Mar 1922	90	1 251 023	90	1 251 023	875 464	31 771	843 693	324 677	364 211	45 289	109 516 ^c	
30 May 1925	90	1 339 080	90	1 339 080	924 979	30 155	894 824	413 275	339 306	36 086	106 157 ^c	
8 Oct 1927	90	1 409 493	89	1 394 254	1 150 772	15 091	1 135 681	488 306	437 050	100 963	42 271	67 091
25 Oct 1930	90	1 440 785	89	1 428 648	1 356 423	30 478	1 325 945	729 914	404 405	126 779	26 909	37 938
11 June 1932	90	1 465 008	87	1 418 141	1 367 987	30 260	1 337 727	537 797	484 220	175 862	93 767	46 081
11 May 1935	90	1 528 713	79	1 347 884	1 294 752	39 333	1 255 419	532 486	415 485	162 178	119 301	25 969
26 Mar 1938	90	1 607 833	71	1 258 950	1 215 494	32 237	1 183 257	410 747	424 275	164 045	173 804	10 386
10 May 1941	90	1 684 781	83	1 540 974	1 425 754	35 858	1 389 896	706 014	281 982	153 639	238 430	8 906
27 May 1944	90	1 732 706	74	1 433 166	1 310 270	43 329	1 266 941	578 069	239 610	138 620	233 713	76 929
3 May 1949	90	1 852 875	82	1 714 009	1 621 527	32 262	1 589 265	730 194	470 485	162 467	181 121	44 998
17 June 1950	94	1 919 479	86	1 768 601	1 640 313	28 964	1 611 349	753 268	604 428	144 573	48 588	60 492
14 Feb 1953	94	1 915 824	81	1 691 231	1 588 293	39 416	1 548 877	852 276	432 739	179 680	62 761	21 421
3 Mar 1956	94	2 011 258	86	1 846 859	1 722 628	28 805	1 693 823	810 767	594 740	172 020	80 517	35 779
21 Mar 1959	94	2 075 268	83	1 850 675	1 739 580	31 864	1 707 716	838 836	603 718	143 099	74 771	47 292
3 Mar 1962	94	2 173 768	90	2 082 320	1 957 406	30 048	1 927 358	936 047	671 716	180 640	97 975	40 980
1 May 1965	94	2 256 568	92	2 218 550	2 083 361	42 572	2 040 789	883 824	807 868	208 826	84 080	56 191
24 Feb 1968	94	2 336 977	94	2 336 977	2 219 979	58 409	2 161 570	931 563	831 514	229 656	113 552	55 285
13 Feb 1971	96	2 496 868	94	2 457 021	2 291 484	53 628	2 237 856	1 007 538	799 801	193 509	129 321	107 687
17 Nov 1973	99	2 788 733	98	2 767 862	2 560 653	69 225	2 491 428	1 069 614	843 325	261 094	63 358	254 037 ^d
1 May 1976	99	2 989 786	97	2 943 248	2 745 749	48 220	2 697 529	1 342 038	978 886	270 603	78 290	27 712
7 Oct 1978	99	3 085 661	99	3 085 661	2 862 616	65 274	2 797 342	1 614 949	754 796	276 984	62 655	86 958
19 Sept 1981	99	3 212 657	98	3 178 225	2 897 033	89 306	2 807 727	1 566 729	770 889	312 734	85 492	71 883
24 Mar 1984	99	3 330 350	99	3 330 350	3 081 223	74 315	3 006 908	1 485 413	1 008 183	272 183	159 964	

NOTE Single-member electorates from 1856. Restricted franchise from 1856; adult male suffrage 1893; adult suffrage 1902; one person one vote 1893; compulsory voting 1928.

(a) Protectionist party.

(b) Farmers and Settlers party 79 374.

(c) Progressive party: 88 557 in 1920; 93 488 in 1922; 81 450 in 1925.

(d) Australia party 104 821; DLP 148 378.

POL 50-62 VICTORIAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1856-1982

Date	CONTESTED SEATS				TURNOUT		

POL 63-74 QUEENSLAND LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1860-1983

Date	CONTESTED SEATS				TURNOUT			VOTES, BY PARTY				
	Total seats	Total enrolment	Number	Total enrolment in	Votes	Informal	Formal	ALP	LPA	NP	Ind	Other
	63	64	65	66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74
1860	26	4 790	19	3 875	..	..	..		
1863	26	7 584	26	7 584	..	..	..		
1867	32	15 331	21	13 619	6 326	..	..			
Sept-Oct 1868	32	15 605	13	8 906	3 407	..	..			
July-Sept 1870	32	16 591	27	12 868	7 053	..	..			
Aug-Sept 1871	32	18 793	22	11 156	6 874	..	..			
1873	42	23 864	26	15 470	9 077	..	..			
Nov-Dec 1878	55	49 331	45	41 656	24 785	..	..			
1883	55	56 998	46	48 842	30 027	..	..			
1888	72	70 565	63	60 702	44 869	..	..			
29 Apr-25 May 1893	72	86 983	64	80 457	58 281	..	..	25 984			7 905	44 104
21 Mar-11 Apr 1896	72	86 882	66	79 971	61 453	765	60 688	28 581			3 608	49 545
Nov-25 Mar 1899	72	97 046	69	94 679	74 919	876	74 043				3 898	61 501
11 Mar 1902	72	108 548	68	101 519	80 076	803	79 273	39 679	48 439		3 781	8 745
27 Aug 1904	72	103 943	54	81 266	68 556	445	68 111	28 961	24 096		3 990	19 304
18 May 1907	72	220 189	68	212 337	152 049	2 547	149 502	52 079	62 898		2 259	77 817
5 Feb 1908	72	205 892	60	175 823	138 747	1 466	137 281	56 296	75 962		1 246	53 467
2 Oct 1909	72	242 754	63	215 252	156 418	1 652	154 766	77 712	107 370		3 391	22 439
27 Apr 1912	72	309 590	67	289 506	218 639	2 607	216 032	100 878	110 981			3 766
22 May 1915	72	335 195	64	302 061	266 240	4 188	262 052	136 419	109 985		2 415	13 233 ^a
16 Mar 1918	72	424 416	72	424 416	340 669	4 022	336 647	180 709	150 225			5 714
9 Oct 1920	72	462 218	69	445 681	356 226	3 560	352 666	168 455	94 249	60 637	2 794	26 531 ^b
12 May 1923	72	475 957	68	449 087	369 267	4 311	364 956	175 659	131 810	39 534	13 221	4 732
8 May 1926	72	484 212	66	452 008	401 055	4 927	396 128	189 968	194 928		6 368	4 864 ^c
11 May 1929	72	517 466	68	491 589	438 248	6 836	413 412	173 242	233 977		20 999	3 194
11 June 1932	62	525 922	57	492 036	456 706	5 144	514 562	225 270	204 158		11 069	11 065
11 May 1935	62	575 288	54	507 760	470 691	8 186	462 505	247 135	156 325		20 045	39 000 ^d
2 Apr 1938	62	606 559	59	582 711	539 037	7 058	531 979	250 943	74 328	120 469	3 403	82 836 ^e
29 Mar 1941	62	634 916	57	586 147	529 247	9 520	519 727	267 206	81 109	108 604	21 844	40 964
15 Apr 1944	62	655 984	55	585 727	512 767	9 352	503 415	224 888	124 437	88 608	25 370	40 112
3 May 1947	62	697 405	62	697 405	632 909	8 579	624 330	272 103	160 623	121 689	18 527	51 388
29 Apr 1950	75	718 685	72	688 309	636 750	7 088	629 662	295 138	188 331	121 199	12 195	12 799
7 Mar 1952	75	737 579	64	657 349	616 611	7 912	608 699	323 882	129 633	114 124	18 986	22 074
19 May 1956	75	775 258	69	712 508	662 680	8 006	654 674	335 311	164 116	126 183	12 837	16 227
3 Aug 1957	75	791 719	71	747 455	706 909	8 033	698 876	201 971	162 372	139 720	28 216	166 597 ^f
28 May 1960	78	831 398	76	813 584	752 927	9 897	743 030	296 430	178 567	144 865	30 897	92 271 ^f
1 June 1963	78	839 232	77	830 436	783 034	12 036	770 998	337 928	183 185	156 621	35 119	58 145 ^f
28 May 1966	78	886 662	76	870 869	812 325	13 352	798 973	350 254	203 648	154 081	38 001	52 989 ^f
17 May 1969	78	945 583	78	945 583	867 743	15 566	852 177	383 388	201 765	179 125	24 268	63 631 ^f
27 Apr 1972	82	997 489	82	997 489	921 763	14 817	906 946	424 002	201 596	181 404	30 187	69 757 ^f
7 Dec 1974	82	1 186 378	82	1 186 378	1 060 910	16 742	1 044 168	376 187	324 682	291 088	30 330	21 881
12 Nov 1977	82	1 209 494	82	1 209 494	1 104 898	16 887	1 088 011	466 021	274 398	295 355	18 339	33 898
20 Nov 1980	82	1 341 365	82	1 341 365	1 192 893	18 008	1 174 885	486 528	314 216	328 262	20 880	21 978
22 Oct 1983	82	1 458 205	82	1 458 205	1 336 985	19 591	1 317 394	579 363	196 072	512 890	29 069	

NOTE Single-member electorates from 1912. Restricted franchise from 1860; adult male suffrage 1872; adult suffrage 1905; one person one vote 1905; compulsory voting 1914.

(a) Farmers' Union.

(b) Northern Country party.

(c) Primary Producers party.

(d) Douglas Credit party 32 447.

(e) Protestant Labor 46 568.

(f) DLP: in 1957, 163 534; in 1960, 91 212; in 1963, 55 711; in 1966, 49 948; in 1969, 61 661.

Because of the type of men elected to membership in the State and Federal Parliaments, the most shameful scenes ever witnessed in a civilised country constantly disgrace almost every session, making it impossible for any self-respecting citizens, with any sense of justice or honesty of purpose, to contest elections.' Jessie Ackermann, 1913.

POL 75-86 SOUTH AUSTRALIAN HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1857-1982

Date	Total seats	Total enrol- ment	CONTESTED SEATS		TURNOUT			VOTES, BY PARTY					
			Num- ber	Total enrol- ment in	Votes	Informal	Formal	ALP	LPA ^a	NP ^a	Ind	Other	
	75	76	77	78	79	80	81	82	83	84	85	86	
9 Mar 1857	36	15 538	27	12 235	6 877	218	6 659						
9 Mar-3 Apr 1960	36	22 265	28	17 681	7 408	496	6 912						
Oct-28 Nov 1862	36	24 467	32	21 841	8 531	474	8 057						
June-13 Mar 1865	36	23 589	24	14 256	8 256	452	7 804						
6 Apr-7 May 1868	36	27 391	30	23 982	11 243	374	10 869						
28 Mar-21 Apr 1870	36	28 338			16 564	708	15 856						
July-27 Dec 1871	36	29 009	34	27 512	13 465	276	13 189						
10 Feb-1 Mar 1875	46	35 035	40	30 941	17 466	680	16 786						
29 Mar-30 Apr 1878	46	39 987	31	25 749	11 240	330	10 910						
5 Apr-27 Apr 1881	46	57 627	36	46 027	18 165	357	17 808						
Feb-23 Apr 1884	52	57 640	48	52 177	21 327	451	20 876						
15 Mar-21 Apr 1887	52	60 920	48	57 251	27 918	535	27 384						
Sept-23 Apr 1890	54	69 811	54	69 811	37 539	622	36 917						
15 Apr-6 May 1893	54	73 616	54	73 616	49 833	649	49 184	16 458	8 867	62 376			
25 Mar-2 Apr 1896	54	137 781	54	137 781	91 267	1 433	89 834	39 107	46 447	75 429			
12 Apr-6 May 1899	54	152 393	52	148 600	93 410	1 221	92 189	40 756	34 813	84 681			
3 May 1902	42	149 177	42	149 177	90 016	1 181	88 835	48 515	65 822	139 862			
27 May 1905	42	187 242	42	187 242	114 576	1 686	112 890	148 550	93 747	96 109	21 360 ^b		
Mar-10 Nov 1906	42	190 162	42	190 162	106 106	1 378	104 728	153 328	40 532	101 969	24 501 ^c		
2 Apr 1910	42	183 418	42	183 418	130 294	2 124	128 170	197 935	199 915	5 309			
10 Feb 1912	40	224 411	40	224 411	161 262	2 184	159 078	253 163	278 277	9 817			
27 Mar 1915	46	253 391	35	181 516	136 524	1 441	135 083	153 034	171 993	8 405			
6 Apr 1918	46	258 802	46	258 802	134 243	1 922	132 321	145 093	148 856	15 821	14 877 ^d		
Sept-16 Apr 1921	46	272 022	44	265 088	169 051	2 014	167 037	179 308	140 229	14 288	68 020 ^e		
5 Apr 1924	46	289 843	42	256 993	161 165	1 774	159 391	192 256	165 802	35 551	1 827	2 176 ^f	
26 Mar 1927	46	309 588	37	277 337	214 738	3 943	210 795	243 450	230 667	22 643	22 643	10 560 ^g	
5 Apr 1930	46	325 244	42	312 243	222 819	12 715	210 104	102 194	74 930	14 555	14 952	3 473	
8 Apr 1933	46	338 576	39	307 285	182 693	8 904	173 789	48 273	60 159	23 303	42 054 ^h		
19 Mar 1938	39	364 884	37	352 423	223 136	4 811	218 325	57 124	72 998	86 752	1 451		
19 Mar 1941	39	378 265	32	339 263	171 978	3 365	168 613	56 062	63 317	41 487	7 747		
8 Apr 1944	39	401 747	30	289 032	255 883	8 229	247 654	105 298	113 536	16 439	12 381		
8 Apr 1947	39	418 308	25	306 059	285 765	10 366	275 399	133 959	111 216	17 083	13 141 ⁱ		
4 Mar 1950	39	437 832	25	311 658	290 306	9 667	280 639	134 952	113 673	28 265	3 749		
7 Mar 1953	39	449 630	30	354 273	336 592	9 871	326 721	166 517	119 106	36 271	4 827		
3 Mar 1956	39	468 303	23	299 048	280 811	6 702	274 109	129 853	100 569	20 118	23 569 ^j		
7 Mar 1959	39	497 456	31	426 340	400 531	11 593	388 938	191 933	143 710	23 050	30 245 ^j		
3 Mar 1962	39	531 228	31	444 197	417 462	10 267	407 195	219 790	140 507	12 827	34 081 ^j		
6 Mar 1965	39	562 824	36	543 436	513 064	14 424	498 640	274 432	179 183	2 227	9 352	33 446 ^j	
2 Mar 1968	39	609 627	39	609 627	575 949	13 291	562 658	292 445	246 560	2 251	5 781	15 621	
30 May 1970	47	635 533	47	635 533	603 952	12 421	591 531	305 478	258 856	11 227	8 615	7 355	
10 Mar 1973	47	696 290	47	696 290	655 937	26 794	629 143	324 135	250 312	24 810	27 178	2 708	
12 July 1975	47	771 414	47	771 414	721 770	27 785	693 985	321 481	218 820	19 208	6 487	127 989 ^k	
17 Sept 1977	47	818 341	47	818 341	764 077	20 743	743 334	383 831	306 356	11 855	2 133	39 154 ^l	
15 Sept 1979	47	826 586	47	826 586	769 080	34 114	737 966	300 269	352 354	14 012	1 800	66 532 ^l	
6 Nov 1982	47	871 235	47	871 235	811 783	46 921	764 862	353 999	326 372	17 782	66 709 ^l		

NOTE Single-member electorates from 1938. Adult male suffrage from 1857; adult suffrage from 1894; one person one vote 1857; compulsory voting 1944.

(a) Combined in Liberal and Country League (LCL) 1933-1962.

(b) Farmers and Producers Political Union.

(c) Farmers and Producers Political Union 12 787; Liberal and Democratic Union 11 714.

(d) Farmers and Settlers party 13 844.

(e) Progressive Country party 51 603; Farmers and Settlers 16 417.

(f) Single Tax party.

(g) Protestant Labor.

(h) Premiers Plan Labor 28 319.

(i) Communist party 8178.

(j) DLP: in 1956, 20 384; in 1959, 21 984; in 1926, 31 543; in 1965, 21 679.

(k) Liberal Movement 126 427.

(l) AD: in 1977, 26 098; in 1979, 50 968; in 1982, 54 457.

'A State could no more expect to rear healthy, vigorous, manly men and womanly women from semi-crippled, exhausted, worn-out, varicose-veined weakened-genitive-organned mothers than a studmaster could expect to raise thorough-bred racehorses from broken-down ring-boned mares.' King O'Malley in debate in the South Australian Parliament on the question of seating for shop-assistants, 1896.

POL 87-97 TASMANIAN HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1856-1982

Date	CONTESTED SEATS				TURNOUT			VOTES, BY PARTY			
	Total seats	Total enrolment	Number	Total enrolment in	Votes	Informal	Formal	ALP	LPA	Ind	Other
	87	88	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97
1856	30	10 828	14	6 289	..	..	8 487				
1861	30	..	19	..	..	..	6 964				
1862	30	..	14	..	..	..	6 263				
1866	30	..	14	..	..	..	11 962				
1871	32	..	16	..	..	..	5 027				
1872	32	13 958	17	..	..	..	3 887				
1877	32	14 487	22	10 625	7 557	..	7 591				
1882	32	16 625	13	6 505	4 241	162	4 079				
1886	28	25 066	16	17 367	14 599	364	14 235				
22 May 1891	36	30 875	28	25 832	16 439	413	16 026				
19 Dec 1893	36	29 909	27	22 679	14 604	243	14 361				
20 Jan 1897	37	30 335	23	19 850	11 971	268	11 703				
9 Mar 1900	38	39 002	25	29 032	18 824	504	18 320	154		18 166	
2 Apr 1903	35	44 742	31	40 006	23 845	345	23 500	2 516		20 984	
29 Mar 1906	35	89 029	27	59 363	40 313	847	39 826	10 583		29 243	
30 Apr 1909	30	95 784	30	95 784	50 402	1 442	48 960	19 067		25 145	4 748
30 Apr 1912	30	103 513	30	103 513	76 052	2 166	73 886	33 634	40 252		
23 Jan 1913	30	105 292	30	105 292	70 802	2 035	68 767	31 633	36 157	977	
25 Mar 1916	30	107 321	30	107 321	78 984	4 470	74 514	36 118	35 939	2 457	
31 May 1919	30	107 541	30	107 541	70 064	2 814	68 675	28 286	37 675	2 289	
10 June 1922	30	110 549	30	110 549	69 752	1 834	67 918	24 956	27 816	4 759	889
3 June 1925	30	114 901	30	114 901	77 281	1 714	75 567	36 631	21 932	6 585	10 419
30 May 1928	30	111 956	30	111 956	91 679	2 973	88 706	41 831	37 432	7 461	1 982
9 May 1931	30	118 730	30	118 730	112 779	3 885	108 894	38 030	61 414	9 450	
9 June 1934	30	127 681	30	127 681	120 622	3 855	116 767	53 454	54 549	6 859	1 905
20 Feb 1937	30	132 001	30	132 001	124 460	2 997	121 463	71 263	47 204	2 996	
13 Dec 1941	30	139 234	30	139 234	127 034	6 344	120 690	75 544	44 150	996	
23 Nov 1946	30	157 756	30	157 756	143 489	14 489	129 190	65 843	44 243	19 104	
21 Aug 1948	30	161 088	30	161 088	148 588	5 866	142 722	70 476	54 010	18 061	175
6 May 1950	30	160 650	30	160 650	152 785	6 841	145 944	70 976	69 429	5 539	
19 Feb 1955	30	173 165	30	173 165	162 637	6 158	156 479	82 362	70 959	3 158	
13 Oct 1956	30	174 632	30	174 632	166 293	6 968	159 325	80 096	69 477	4 139	5 613
2 May 1959	35	180 344	35	180 344	170 559	9 816	160 743	71 535	66 005	14 549	8 654 ^a
2 May 1964	35	193 418	35	193 418	184 571	7 980	176 591	90 631	67 971	4 376	13 613 ^b
10 May 1969	35	210 268	35	210 268	198 571	9 248	189 323	90 278	83 261	4 366	11 389
22 Apr 1972	35	216 846	35	216 846	205 803	7 533	198 270	108 910	76 073	5 546	7 741
11 Dec 1976	35	258 550	35	258 550	244 424	9 294	235 130	123 386	104 613	1 301	5 830
28 July 1979	35	265 428	35	265 428	248 866	9 582	239 289	129 973	98 845	3 608	6 858
15 May 1982	35	283 549	35	283 549	265 101	15 005	250 096	92 184	121 346	23 090	13 476 ^c

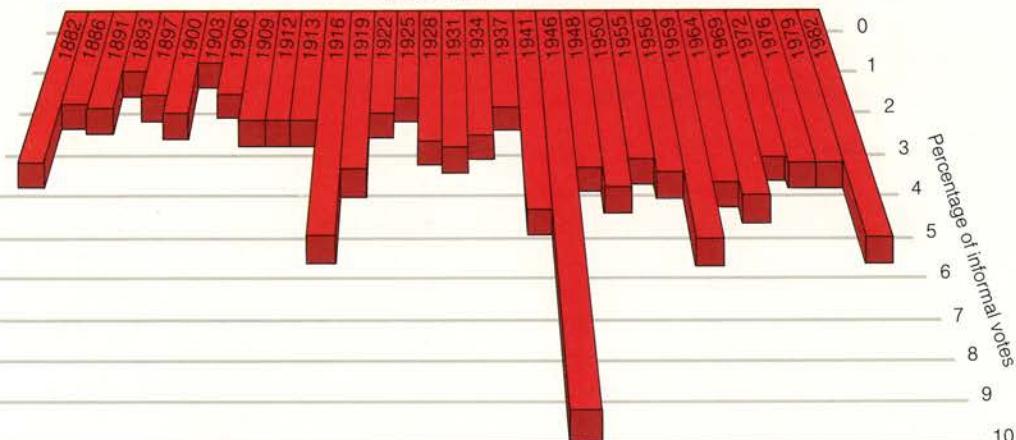
NOTE Single-member electorates 1871-82, 1903, 1906. From 1909, the electoral system was based on proportional representation in 7 electorates of 5 members each. Adult male suffrage from 1900; adult suffrage from 1908; one person, one vote from 1857; compulsory voting from 1928.

(a) DLP 8510.

(b) Country party 9280.

(c) AD.

Election year



THE PERCENTAGE OF INFORMAL VOTES IN THE TASMANIAN HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY GENERAL ELECTIONS, 1882-1982

POL 98-109 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1890-1983

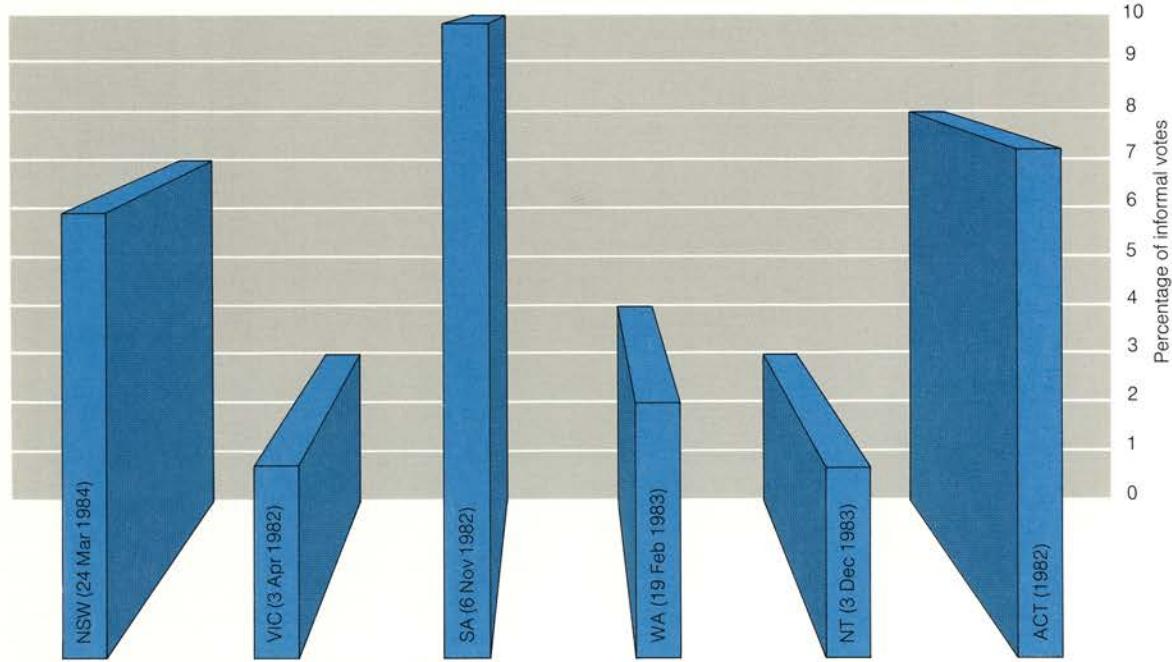
Date	CONTESTED SEATS				TURNOUT			VOTES, BY PARTY				
	Total seats	Total enrolment	Number	Total enrolment in	Votes	Informal	Formal	ALP	LPA	NP	Ind	Other
	98	99	100	101	102	103	104	105	106	107	108	109
May-12 Dec 1890	30	5 860	11	3 734	2 925	..	2 922					
14 June-3 July 1894	33	12 884	15	9 029	5 515	410	5 105					
27 Apr-17 May 1897	44	23 318	26	17 114	9 016	279	8 737					
24 Apr 1901	50	91 522	41	87 742	38 100	776	37 324	9 658				27 666
28 June 1904	50	163 826	40	138 315	66 745	691	66 054	28 122	24 234			13 698
27 Oct 1905	50	121 722	39	102 002	52 896	535	52 361	18 364	28 189			4 104
11 Sept-23 Oct 1908	50	135 979	41	114 081	75 855	926	74 929	28 325	46 169			435
Mar-31 Oct 1911	50	152 645	40	122 375	91 630	1 293	90 337	47 460	40 472			2 405
21 Oct-11 Nov 1914	50	214 741	35	168 546	96 605	1 127	95 478	40 205	41 929	14 344		
29 Sept-9 Nov 1917	50	166 951	40	137 755	85 620	1 447	84 173	20 889	42 037	16 048	5 199	
12 Mar-9 Apr 1921	50	164 688	44	146 948	98 958	1 620	97 338	35 829	36 804	17 311	7 394	
22 Mar-5 Apr 1924	50	189 869	38	159 356	99 391	1 151	98 240	36 679	29 128	12 600	4 961	11 872 ^a
26 Mar-9 Apr 1927	50	210 949	41	194 087	142 506	2 000	140 506	63 687	51 774	22 439	2 606	
12 Apr 1930	50	230 076	39	186 732	139 013	1 579	137 434	52 824	49 726	25 792	9 092	
8 Apr 1933	50	237 195	41	205 310	186 012	4 176	181 836	81 374	55 522	27 381	17 117	442
15 Feb 1936	50	247 465	35	194 354	136 309	1 518	134 791	55 779	43 619	19 685	14 205	1 503
18 Mar 1939	50	265 987	40	228 563	209 331	3 660	205 671	92 585	49 307	24 681	38 790	308
20 Nov 1943	50	274 856	38	212 376	183 781	4 548	179 233	77 567	43 529	29 619	27 805	713
15 Mar 1947	50	297 089	30	194 270	166 905	3 415	163 490	61 059	57 621	26 416	16 753	1 641
25 Mar 1950	50	310 291	38	251 881	229 296	4 352	224 764	94 055	86 090	24 282	19 522	815
14 Feb 1953	50	319 941	28	205 644	192 225	5 028	187 197	93 157	74 042	5 991	11 985	2 022
7 Apr 1956	50	342 018	34	262 384	241 863	8 651	235 012	114 676	73 605	12 319	32 729	1 683
21 Mar 1959	50	361 629	39	291 596	269 322	6 937	262 385	115 266	94 181	18 112	18 938	15 888
31 Mar 1962	50	381 805	39	319 594	297 520	5 324	292 196	129 757	117 929	17 339	19 369	7 802
20 Feb 1965	51	408 462	39	335 633	309 893	9 634	300 259	128 025	144 178	14 630	10 317	3 109
23 Mar 1968	51	449 122	37	359 790	331 325	10 255	321 070	145 605	138 550	16 277	8 488	12 150
20 Feb 1971	51	537 122	51	537 122	490 467	18 897	471 570	230 653	137 115	26 604	20 914	56 684 ^b
30 Mar 1974	51	604 222	50	597 335	538 365	21 966	516 399	248 395	208 288	55 746	1 918	2 052
19 Feb 1977	55	633 113	55	633 113	601 975	19 148	582 827	257 730	287 651	50 784	4 022	2 640
23 Feb 1980	55	714 724	53	689 066	609 418	21 449	587 969	270 165	257 218	25 260	5 361	29 965 ^c
19 Feb 1983	55	754 225	54	744 986	663 153	18 799	644 354	342 536	256 846	22 148	3 126	19 698

NOTE Single-member electorates from 1890. Restricted franchise from 1890; adult male suffrage 1907; adult suffrage 1907; one person one vote 1904; compulsory voting 1948.

(a) Executive Country party.

(b) DLP 50 508.

(c) NP 17 411; AD 11 513.



THE PERCENTAGE OF INFORMAL VOTES IN STATE ELECTIONS, 1982-1984

POL 110-119 NEW SOUTH WALES LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
FORMAL VOTE AND SEATS WON BY PARTY, GENERAL
ELECTIONS 1891-1984

Year	FORMAL VOTE				SEATS WON				Year	FORMAL VOTE				SEATS WON						
	ALP	LPA	NP	Ind	Other	ALP	LPA	NP	Ind	ALP	LPA	NP	Ind	ALP	LPA	NP	Ind	Other		
110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	126	127	128	129	130
%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%
1891	21.9	40.7	4.2	33.2	36	47	7	51 ^a	1892	20.2	52.6	0	27.2	11	84					
1894	16.0	28.7	29.2	26.6	14	46	29	36 ^a	1894	19.8			80.2	18						
1895	12.6	42.3	9.1	36.0	18	61	5	41 ^a	1897	10.4			89.4	8						
1898	11.4	32.3	56.3	19	45	61			1900	11.3	50.6									
1901	18.7	33.3	25.8	22.2	24	37	23	41 ^b	1902	18.0										
1904	23.0	44.6	32.4	25	45	20			1904				0.7	66.8	18					
1907	32.9	45.2	21.9						1907				2.4	63.2	14					
1910	48.9	41.9	9.1						1908				4.5	26.8	21					
1913	46.6	32.8	6.1	14.5	49	28	3	10 ^c	1911	43.1	52.0									
1917	42.9	47.4	4.2	5.5	33	52	5		1914	39.6	56.9									
1920	43.1	29.9	6.7	20.3	43	28	3	16 ^d	1917	32.2	57.0									
1922	38.5	43.2	5.4	13.0	36	41	3	10 ^e	1920	29.3	48.0									
1925	46.2	37.9	4.0	11.9	46	32	2	10 ^f	1921	35.7	45.6									
1927	43.0	38.5	8.9	3.7	5.9	40	33	13	1924	34.9	39.0	12.0								
1930	55.1	30.5	9.6	2.2	2.9	55	23	12	1927	41.8	30.9	8.1								
1932	40.2	36.2	13.1	7.0	3.4	24	41	25	1929	39.1	38.2	8.8								
1935	42.4	33.9	12.9	9.5	2.1	29	38	23	1932	35.1	40.1	12.3								
1938	34.7	35.9	13.9	14.7	0.9	28	37	22	1935	37.9	36.2	13.7								
1941	50.8	20.3	11.1	17.2	0.6	54	14	13	1937	41.0	39.6	11.4								
1944	45.6	18.9	10.9	18.5	6.1	56	12	11	1940	33.1	35.4	14.1								
1947	45.9	29.6	10.2	11.4	2.8	52	18	15	4 ^h	1943	23.1	13.0								
1950	46.8	37.5	9.0	3.0	3.8	46	29	17	2	1945	41.1	20.5	18.7							
1953	55.0	27.9	11.6	4.0	1.4	57	22	14	1	1947	40.9	37.2	14.9							
1956	47.9	35.1	10.2	4.8	2.1	50	27	15	2	1950	45.3	40.7	10.6							
1959	49.1	35.4	8.4	4.4	2.8	49	28	16	1	1952	49.1	24.9	8.3							
1962	48.6	34.9	9.4	5.1	2.1	54	25	14	1	1955	32.6	27.8	9.5							
1965	43.3	39.6	10.2	4.1	2.7	45	31	16	2	1958	37.7	37.2	9.3							
1968	43.1	38.5	10.6	5.3	2.3	39	36	17	2	1961	38.6	36.4	7.1							
1971	45.0	35.7	8.7	5.8	4.8	45	32	17	2	1964	36.2	39.6	8.8							
1973	42.9	33.9	10.5	2.5	10.2	44	34	18	2	1967	37.9	37.5	8.6							
1976	49.8	36.8	10.0	2.9	1.0	50	30	18	1	1970	41.4	36.7	6.4							
1978	57.8	27.0	9.9	2.2	3.1	63	18	17	1	1973	41.6	42.3	6.0							
1981	55.8	27.5	11.1	3.0	2.6	70	14	13	2	1976	42.1	45.9	7.1							
1984	49.1	32.2	10.6	8.1		58	22	15	4	1979	45.2	41.4	5.6							
										1982	50.0	38.3	5.0							

POL 120-130 VICTORIAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
AND SEATS WON BY PARTY, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1892-1982

Year	FORMAL VOTE				SEATS WON				Year	FORMAL VOTE				SEATS WON						
	ALP	LPA	NP	Ind	Other	ALP	LPA	NP	Ind	ALP	LPA	NP	Ind	ALP	LPA	NP	Ind			
120	121	122	123	124	125	126	127	128	129	130	131	132	133	134	135					
%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
1892	20.2	52.6	0	27.2	11	84				1894	19.8									
1897	10.4		0.2	89.4	8	87				1900	11.3	50.6								
1902	18.0									1904	18.0									
1907	13.0									1908	19.0									
1912	14.5									1913	14.5									
1917	16.0									1918	16.0									
1922	16.4									1923	16.4									
1927	16.8									1928	16.8									
1932	17.2									1933	17.2									
1937	17.6									1938	17.6									
1942	18.0									1943	18.0									
1947	18.4									1948	18.4									
1952	18.8									1953	18.8									
1957	19.2									1958	19.2									
1962	19.6									1963	19.6									
1967	20.0									1968	20.0									
1972	20.4									1969	20.4									
1977	20.8									1970	20.8									
1982	21.2									1983	21.2									
1987	21.6									1988	21.6									
1992	22.0									1993	22.0									
1997	22.4									1998	22.4									
2002	22.8									1999	22.8									
2007	23.2									2000	23.2									
2012	23.6									2001	23.6									
2017	24.0									2002	24.0									
2022	24.4									2003	24.4									
2027	24.8									2004	24.8									
2032	25.2									2005	25.2									
2037	25.6									2006	25.6									
2042	26.0									2007	26.0									
2047	26.4									2008	26.4									
2052	26.8									2009	26.8									
2057	27.2									2010	27.2									
2062	27.6									2011	27.6									
2067	28.0									2012	28.0									
2072	28.4									2013	28.4									
2077	28.8									2014	28.8									
2082	29.2									2015	29.2									
2087	29.6									2016	29.6									
2092	30.0									2017										

POL 151-158 TASMANIAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
FORMAL VOTE AND SEATS WON BY PARTY,
GENERAL ELECTIONS 1891-1982

Year	FORMAL VOTE			SEATS WON				Year	FORMAL VOTE			SEATS WON						
	ALP	LPA	Ind	Other	ALP	LPA	Ind	Other	ALP	LPA	Ind	Other	ALP	LPA	Ind	Other		
151	152	153	154	155	156	157	158	159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	
%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
1891		100.0			17	19			1890		100.0			100.0				
1893		100.0			17	19			1894		100.0			100.0				
1897		100.0			19	17	1 ^a		1897		100.0			100.0				
1900	0.8	99.2			18	20			1901	25.9				74.1		6		
1903	10.7	89.3			3	7	25		1904	42.6	36.7			20.7		22	18	
1906	26.6	73.4			8	16	11		1905	35.1	53.8			11.2		14	33	3
1909	38.9	51.4			9.7	12	17	1 ^b	1908	37.8	61.6			0.6		22	28	
1912	45.5	54.5			14	16			1911	52.5	44.8			2.7		34	16	
1913	46.0	52.6	1.4		14	16			1914	42.1	43.9	14.0				26	16	8
1916	48.5	48.2	3.3		14	15	1		1917	24.8	49.9	19.9	6.2			15		
1919	41.4	55.2	3.4		13	16	1		1921	36.8	37.8	17.9	7.6			17		
1922	36.7	41.0	7.0	15.3	12	12	1	5 ^c	1924	40.4	29.6	12.8	5.1	12.1		27	10	7
1925	48.3	29.0	8.7	13.8	16	7			1927	45.3	36.8	16.0	1.9			27	16	7
1928	47.2	42.2	8.4	2.2	14	15	1		1930	38.4	36.2	18.8	6.6			23	16	10
1931	34.9	56.4	8.7	10	19	1			1933	44.8	30.5	15.1	9.4	0.2		30	11	1
1934	45.8	47.0	5.9	1.6	14	13	1		1936	41.4	32.4	14.6	10.5	1.1		26	8	3
1937	58.7	38.9	2.5		18	12			1939	45.0	24.0	12.0	18.9	0.1		27	7	12
1941	62.6	36.6	0.8		20	10			1943	43.3	24.3	16.5	15.5	0.4		30	7	10
1946	51.0	34.2	14.5		16	12	2		1947	37.3	35.2	16.3	10.2	1.0		23	13	12
1948	49.4	37.8	12.7	0.1	15	12	3		1950	41.8	38.3	10.8	8.7	0.4		23	15	9
1950	48.6	47.6	3.8		15	14	1		1953	49.8	39.6	3.2	6.4	1.1		26	15	9
1955	52.6	45.4	3.8		15	15			1956	48.8	31.3	5.2	13.9	0.7		29	11	8
1956	50.3	43.6	2.6	3.5	15	15			1959	43.9	35.9	6.9	7.2	6.0		23	17	8
1959	44.5	41.1	9.1	6.4	17	16	2		1962	44.1	40.4	5.9	6.6	2.7		24	18	8
1964	51.3	38.5	2.5	7.7	19	16			1965	42.6	48.0	4.9	3.4	1.0		21	8	
1969	47.7	44.0	2.3	6.0	17	17	1 ^d		1968	45.3	43.1	5.1	2.6	3.8		23	19	9
1972	54.9	38.4	2.8	3.9	21	14			1971	48.1	29.1	5.6	4.4	12.0		26	17	8
1976	52.5	44.5	0.6	2.5	18	17			1974	48.1	40.3	10.8	0.4	2.2		23	6	
1979	53.4	41.3	1.5	2.9	20	15			1977	44.2	49.4	5.3	0.7	0.5		22	27	6
1982	36.9	48.5	9.2	5.4	14	19	1 ^e		1980	46.0	43.7	4.3	0.9	5.1		23	26	3
									1983	53.1	39.9	3.4	0.5	3.1		32	20	3
															3 ^b	3 ^b		

- (a) Democratic League.
- (b) Liberal Democrats.
- (c) Country party.
- (d) Centre party.
- (e) AD.

(a) Executive Country party.
(b) National party.

On 25 April 1907 Tasmania introduced the Hare-Clark system of voting in elections, a unique method of proportional representation operating through a single transferable vote. Each of the state's five electorates now returns seven members, and while the major parties are normally assured of three seats each, the seventh goes to the more popular or minor party candidate. The Assembly thus reflects with some accuracy the popular vote.

POL 159-168 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY,
FORMAL VOTE AND SEATS WON BY PARTY,
GENERAL ELECTIONS 1890-1983

Year	FORMAL VOTE			SEATS WON				Year	FORMAL VOTE			SEATS WON						
	ALP	LPA	Ind	Other	ALP	LPA	Ind	Other	ALP	LPA	Ind	Other	ALP	LPA	Ind	Other		
159	160	161	162	163	164	165	166	167	168	169	170	171	172	173	174	175		
%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
1890		100.0			17	19			1894		100.0			100.0				
1897		100.0			19	17	1 ^a		1897		100.0			100.0				
1900	0.8	99.2			18	20			1901	25.9				74.1		6		
1903	10.7	89.3			3	7	25		1904	42.6	36.7			20.7		22	18	
1906	26.6	73.4			8	16	11		1905	35.1	53.8			11.2		14	33	3
1909	38.9	51.4			9.7	12	12	1 ^b	1908	37.8	61.6			0.6		22	28	
1912	45.5	54.5			14	16			1911	52.5	44.8			2.7		34	16	
1913	46.0	52.6	1.4		14	16			1914	42.1	43.9	14.0				26	16	8
1916	48.5	48.2	3.3		14	15	1		1917	24.8	49.9	19.9	6.2			15		
1919	41.4	55.2	3.4		13	16	1		1921	36.8	37.8	17.9	7.6			17		
1922	36.7	41.0	7.0	15.3	12	12	1	5 ^c	1924	40.4	29.6	12.8	5.1	12.1		27	10	7
1925	48.3	29.0	8.7	13.8	16	7			1927	45.3	36.8	16.0	1.9			27	16	7
1928	47.2	42.2	8.4	2.2	14	15	1		1930	38.4	36.2	18.8	6.6			23	16	10
1931	34.9	56.4	8.7	10	19	1			1933	44.8	30.5	15.1	9.4	0.2		30	11	1
1934	45.8	47.0	5.9	1.6	13	13	1		1936	41.4	32.4	14.6	10.5	1.1		26	8	3
1937	58.7	38.9	2.5		18	12			1939	45.0	24.0	12.0	18.9	0.1		27	7	12
1941	62.6	36.6	0.8		20	10			1943	43.3	24.3	16.5	15.5	0.4		30	7	10
1946	51.0	34.2	14.5		16	12	2		1947	37.3	35.2	16.3	10.2	1.0		23	13	12
1948	49.4	37.8	12.7	0.1	15	12	3		1950	41.8	38.3	10.8	8.7	0.4		23	15	9
1950	48.6	47.6	3.8		15	14	1		1953	49.8	39.6	3.2	6.4	1.1		26	15	9
1955	52.6	45.4	3.8		15	15			1956	48.8	31.3	5.2	13.9	0.7		29	11	8
1956	50.3	43.6	2.6	3.5	15	15			1959	43.9	35.9	6.9	7.2	6.0		23	17	8
1959	44.5	41.1	9.1	6.4	17	16	2		1962	44.1	40.4	5.9	6.6	2.7		24	18	8
1964	51.3	38.5	2.5	7.7	19	16			1965	42.6	48.0	4.9	3.4	1.0		21	8	
1969	47.7	44.0	2.3	6.0	17	17	1 ^d		1968	45.3	43.1	5.1	2.6	3.8		23	19	9
1972	54.9	38.4	2.8	3.9	21	14			1971	48.1	29.1	5.6	4.4	12.0		26	17	8
1976	52.5	44.5	0.6	2.5	18	17			1974	48.1	40.3	10.8	0.4	2.2		23	6	
1979	53.4	41.3	1.5	2.9	20	15			1977	44.2	49.4	5.3	0.7	0.5		22	27	6
1982	36.9	48.5	9.2	5.4	14	19	1 ^e		1980	46.0	43.7	4.3	0.9	5.1		23	26	3
									1983	53.1	39.9	3.4	0.5	3.1		32	20	3
															3 ^b	3 ^b		

- (a) Democratic League.
- (b) Liberal Democrats.
- (c) Country party.
- (d) Centre party.
- (e) AD.

**POL 169-177 NEW SOUTH WALES LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, GENERAL ELECTIONS
1978-1984**

Date	TURNOUT					VOTES, BY PARTY				
	Enrol- ment	Votes	Informal	Formal	Seats contested	ALP	L-NP	Ind	Other	
	169	170	171	172	173	174	175	176	177	
7 Oct 1978	3 085 661	2 862 616	115 995	2 746 621	15	1 508 058	996 463	10 753	232 327	
19 Sept 1981	3 212 657	2 927 971	200 367	2 727 604	15	1 412 426	921 081	1 860	392 237 ^a	
24 Mar 1984	3 330 350	3 081 223	205 275	2 875 948	15	1 348 348	1 225 519	12 028	290 053 ^b	

NOTE Until 1978, the NSW Legislative Council was elected by the existing members of the Legislative Assembly and Legislative Council at simultaneous sittings.

(a) Call to Australia party 248 425; AD 109 939.

(b) Jim Cameron's Legislative Council Group 175 068; AD 90 634

POL 178-189 VICTORIAN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1856-1982

Date	TURNOUT						VOTES, BY PARTY					
	Enrol- ment	Votes	Informal	Formal	Seats, total	Seats, con- tested	ALP	LPA	NP	DLP	Ind	Other
	178	179	180	181	182	183	184	185	186	187	188	189
5 Aug 1856	10 775	5 354	..	18 906	30							
31 Aug-2 Oct 1858	..	5 105	226	4 879	6							
31 Aug-2 Oct 1860	..	2 714	..	..	6	2						
1 Sept-2 Oct 1862	..	2 171	..	..	6	2						
2 Sept-3 Oct 1864	9 709	3 923	58	3 865	6	4						
31 Aug-2 Oct 1866	11 602	2 329	..	..	6	2						
16 Sept-2 Nov 1868	11 604	3 327	..	3 718	6	3						
24 Aug-10 Dec 1870	22 168	2 149	..	4 467	6	2						
? Sept-? Oct 1872	22 875	3 500	..	..	6	2						
12-25 Mar 1874	24 237	1 120	..	..	6	1						
15 Aug-15 Nov 1876	27 719	6 871	..	..	6	3						
17 Aug-16 Sept 1878	31 807	7 987	..	..	6	2						
20 Mar-14 July 1880	32 873	4 367	..	6 156	6	3						
30 Nov 1882	98 735	29 340	..	..	7	7						
11 Sept 1884	104 705	15 371	..	..	7	3						
3 Sept 1886	113 957	19 955	15	19 940	7	6						
31 Aug 1888	130 336	15 070	..	11 252	7	3						
30 Aug-11 Sept 1890	151 803	14 726	126	14 600	14	2						
27 Aug-8 Sept 1892	163 259	10 536	88	10 448	14	2						
1 Sept 1894	..			14	0							
10 Sept 1896	138 715	6 200	24	6 176	14	1						
26 Aug 1898	130 577				14	0						
13 Sept 1900	129 363				14	0						
11 Sept 1902	134 127				14	0						
1 June 1904	177 954	66 182	1 074	65 108	35	21						
4 June 1907	188 904	30 030	203	29 827	18	8						
2 June 1910	240 584	48 053	196	47 857	17	9						
6 June 1913	270 209	47 719	450	47 269	17	5						
1 June 1916	300 341	34 853	253	34 600	17	5	9 295	23 898				1 407
5 June 1919	317 619	40 397	807	39 590	17	5	12 134	26 437				1 019
31 May 1922	367 128	47 008	1 003	46 005	17	8	11 501	24 734	6 227			3 543
4 June 1925	399 510	56 033	874	55 159	17	8	4 133	28 681	12 976			5 017
2 June 1928	444 278	85 372	1 388	83 984	17	10	3 438	48 804	17 699			3 053
6 June 1931	469 349	93 244	595	92 649	17	9	11 146	67 047				6 848
9 June 1934	466 395	47 375	799	46 576	17	6	8 211	21 742	4 844			6 554
12 June 1937	449 694	208 925	3 055	205 870	17	11	35 523	107 157	51 491			11 699
15 June 1940	471 843	178 666	2 823	175 843	17	8	46 843	67 640	38 244			23 124
12 June 1943	485 054	83 568	2 135	81 433	17	4	27 533	14 083	14 263			25 554
15 June 1946	517 727	291 295	5 912	285 383	17	12	62 640	110 790	38 259			38 680
18 June 1949	550 472	299 111	4 292	294 819	17	13	56 831	123 806	70 772			43 410
21 June 1952	1 395 650	994 190	22 595	971 595	17	14	361 004	361 733	106 864			42 174
18 June 1955	1 430 130	1 112 951	23 189	1 089 762	17	14	423 963	331 409	66 826	181 319		28 699
21 June 1958	1 488 293	1 283 665	22 085	1 261 580	17	15	495 892	451 462	69 028	186 618		44 400
15 July 1961	1 554 856	1 467 482	46 697	1 420 875	17		552 075	538 013	88 416	237 464	4 817	
27 June 1964	1 635 311	1 543 585	45 627	1 497 958	18		532 110	600 200	133 303	232 345		
29 Apr 1967	1 723 981	1 625 371	59 895	1 565 476	18		577 613	602 546	148 943	223 590		8 539
30 May 1970	1 827 595	1 723 725	64 710	1 659 015	18		698 213	621 739	102 462	233 877		2 724
19 May 1973	2 088 984	1 953 462	75 354	1 879 108	18		766 181	810 807	120 604	163 008		18 508
20 Mar 1976	2 267 282	2 096 614	66 007	2 030 607	22		867 078	988 681	160 708	12 601		
5 May 1979	2 350 407	2 191 128	77 361	2 113 767	22		958 158	924 525	124 050	11 780		3 904
3 Apr 1982	2 453 642	2 302 973	72 168	2 230 805	22		1 105 650	874 376	122 637	11 780		3 904
												112 098 ^a

NOTES The Legislative Council (inaugurated in 1856) originally consisted of 30 members (6 electorates by 5 members). It was enlarged to 42 (14×3) in 1882; to 48 (6×4, 8×3) in 1890; reduced to 35 (17×2, plus 1 public officer) in 1904; reduced to 34 (17×2) in 1910; enlarged to 36 (18×2) in 1964; and to 44 (22×2) in 1976.

Restricted franchise from 1856; adult suffrage from 1950; one person one vote 1937; compulsory voting 1935.

(a) AD.

POL 190-200 SOUTH AUSTRALIAN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1857-1982

Date	Enrol- ment	TURNOUT			Seats, total	Seats, contested	VOTES, BY PARTY				
		Votes	Informal	Formal			ALP	LPA	NP	Ind	Other
	190	191	192	193	194	195	196	197	198	199	200
9 Mar 1857	10 092	5 717	775	4 942	18						
28 Mar 1861	13 731	2 921	214	2 707	18						
1 Mar 1865	12 840	5 624	294	5 330	18						
19 Mar 1869	15 773	4 468	113	4 355	18						
3 Apr 1873	17 605	4 706	145	4 561	18						
5 Apr 1877	19 058	8 759	249	8 330	18						
20 Apr 1881	30 196	9 014	103	8 911	18						
29 May 1882	30 196	14 771	200	14 571	8						
8,15 May 1885	30 372	12 182	98	12 084	8						
5-19 May 1888	33 240	4 163	119	4 044	8						
9-23 May 1891	32 970	19 490	150	13 041	8	7 422				26 924	
12-26 May 1894	35 212	24 258	244	24 014	8	5 996	13 051			28 259	
22 May 1897	45 814	23 131	144	22 987	8	9 594	21 430			10 714	
19 May 1900	48 452	25 310	162	25 148	8	7 792	18 627			18 983	
3 May 1902	51 909	37 918	749	37 169	18	28 287	63 490			40 625	
3 June 1905	52 884	37 148	908	36 240	9	22 774	36 523			16 391	
2 Apr 1910	64 302	41 896	1 680	40 216	9	7 447	26 477				
10 Feb 1912	79 213	53 725	1 499	52 266	9	7 42662	89 169				
27 Mar 1915	90 039	16 244	187	16 057	10	2 7 954	8 069				
6 Apr 1918	94 971	54 787	1 888	52 899	11	37 376	53 160			13 004	
16 Apr 1921	93 048	49 906	1 107	48 799	10	8 32 043	43 349	12 126	3 799	2 346	
5 Apr 1924	89 447	47 118	707	46 411	10	8 51 262	40 749	14 405			
26 Mar 1927	98 729	64 428	1 167	63 261	10	58 717	47 058	17 298			
5 Apr 1930	133 274	100 040	8 825	91 215	10	39 007	34 421	8 672		9 115	
8 Apr 1933	133 152	25 309	2 491	22 818	10	2 8 576	3 134			11 108	
19 Mar 1938	129 135	91 165	7 305	83 860	10	24 531	35 307			21 739	2 283 ^a
19 Mar 1941	133 358	70 660	4 283	66 377	10	8 26 783	22 671			16 923	
8 Apr 1944	142 314	81 791	5 704	76 087	10	8 27 892	43 447			4 414	334
8 Mar 1947	155 847	124 826	11 165	113 551	11	50 721	46 790			8 290	7 860
4 Mar 1950	161 917	52 954	3 782	49 176	10	4 16 404	32 768				
7 Mar 1953	168 758	79 373	4 336	75 037	10	6 21 847	46 183			7 007	
3 Mar 1956	174 241	16 002	551	15 451	10	2 5 588	9 008				855
7 Mar 1959	187 248	70 007	4 057	65 950	10	6 25 123	38 536				2 291
3 Mar 1962	201 517	98 786	3 320	95 466	10	6 39 604	54 506				1 356
6 Mar 1965	213 377	149 910	8 814	141 096	10	8 71 392	59 488			7 502	2 714
2 Mar 1968	275 701	262 627	15 627	246 701	10	130 167	103 479				13 055 ^b
10 Mar 1973	383 758	357 971	27 140	330 831	10	140 279	125 902			1 210	2 618
12 July 1975	771 414	719 753	32 690	687 063	11	324 744	191 341	14 640	1 026	155 302 ^c	
15 Sept 1979	826 586	765 032	33 637	731 395	11	290 552	370 398	7 716	3 399	59 331 ^d	
6 Nov 1982	871 225	808 503	81 540	726 963	11	345 936	301 090	14 514	2 602	62 821 ^d	

NOTES The Legislative Council (inaugurated in 1857) originally consisted of 18 members elected by a single, statewide electorate. It was enlarged to 24 (4 electorates by 6 members) in 1882; reduced to 18 (1x6, 3x4) in 1902; enlarged to 20 (5x4) in 1915; and to 22 (single statewide electorate) in 1975.

Restricted franchise from 1856; one person one vote 1857; adult suffrage 1974; remains voluntary voting (compulsory enrolment).

(a) Country party.

(b) DLP.

(c) Liberal Movement 129 110.

(d) AD: in 1979, 47 527; in 1982, 40 405.

POL 201-211 NORTHERN TERRITORY, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1974-1983

Date	Enrol- ment	TURNOUT			BY PARTY						
		Votes	Informal	Formal	CLP, ^a votes	CLP, ^a seats	ALP, votes	ALP, seats	Ind, votes	Ind, seats	Other, votes
	201	202	203	204	205	206	207	208	209	210	211
19 Oct 1974	39 027	29 428	1493	27 935	13 690	17	8 508	0	5737	2	
13 Aug 1977	43 253	32 861	1044	31 817	12 769	12	12 165	6	3718	1	3165 ^b
7 June 1980	53 218	41 484	1328	40 156	20 065	11	15 818	7	3251	1	1022 ^c
3 Dec 1983	62 178	50 716	1532	49 184	28 637	6	17 505	9	2155	0	887 ^d

NOTE Nineteen single-seat elections were held in 1974 and 1977, 25 in 1983.

(a) Country Liberal party.

(b) Progressive party 3104; Communist party 61.

(c) Progressive party, AD, Australian Marijuana party, Christian Democrats.

(d) AD.

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POL 212-222 WESTERN AUSTRALIAN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1894-1983

Date	TURNOUT					Seats, contested	VOTES, BY PARTY				
	Enrol- ment	Votes	Informal	Formal	Seats, total		ALP	LPA	NP	Ind	Other
		212	213	214	215	216	217	218	219	220	221
											222
16 July 1894	4 624	..	..	..	21	18					
27 July 1896	6 279	1 272	11	1 271	7	2					
29 Apr 1898	9 284	996	4	992	8	2					
14 May 1900	19 655	4 998	45	4 953	8	5					
12 May 1902	22 331	..	..	3 240	10	3					
30 May 1904	34 139	..	..	11 081	10	7					
14 May 1906	37 869	..	..	16 574	10	7					
13 May 1908	36 234	12 497	148	12 349	10	6					
13 May 1910	39 947	14 481	110	14 371	10	9					
14 May 1912	47 153	26 285	482	25 803	10	8					
16,18 May 1914	55 722	28 519	368	28 151	10	8					
13 May 1916	59 008	13 136	169	12 967	10	5					
11 May 1918	60 972	17 973	317	17 656	10	8					
12 May 1920	52 037	15 856	164	15 692	10	8					
13 May 1922	55 198	22 287	268	22 019	10	8	4 887	8 654	5 092		3 386
10 May 1924	55 801	21 121	321	20 800	10	7	7 530	5 505	3 525	2 355	1 885
8 May 1926	69 727	32 092	507	31 585	10	7	11 393	16 413	2 160	1 619	
12 May 1928	73 898	30 673	294	30 379	10	9	6 844	15 865	5 369	700	1 601
10 May 1930	73 578	26 450	288	26 162	10	7	6 389	12 137	6 823		813
7 May 1932	77 343	22 653	187	22 466	10	4	10 614	4 699	3 636	1 034	2 483
12 May 1934	84 491	41 779	596	41 183	10	9	10 863	14 686	9 928	5 706	
9 May 1936	85 394	24 873	222	24 651	10	6	6 464	11 625	3 303		3 259
7 May 1938	86 411	26 466	192	26 274	10	4	11 757	14 517			
18 May 1940	86 343	32 917	350	32 567	10	8	5 093	14 984	9 352	2 237	901
29 Apr 1944	79 889	23 017	246	22 771	10	8	8 616	4 450	6 600		3 104
4 May 1946	87 883	16 003	175	15 828	10	6	5 315	5 606	2 857		2 050
8 May 1948	86 859	28 571	301	28 270	10	7	7 075	15 607	1 848		3 740
6 May 1950	85 169	29 695	288	29 407	10	8	11 225	13 095	5 087		
3 May 1952	79 504	15 682	240	15 442	10	5	3 459	7 755	2 068		2 160
8 May 1954	90 150	24 171	237	23 934	10	5	13 298	9 507	180		940
7 Apr 1956	100 773	50 935	855	50 080	10	6	23 018	27 062			
10 May 1958	150 671	53 284	609	52 675	10	7	19 869	26 472	4 670		1 664
30 Apr 1960	162 662	65 821	498	65 323	10	9	27 516	26 032	10 829		947
12 May 1962	167 212	46 014	193	45 821	10	5	18 988	26 833			
20 Feb 1965	408 462	361 752	15 433	346 319	15	14	134 694	179 630	20 030		11 965
23 Mar 1968	449 122	192 342	8 631	183 711	15	6	85 674	67 977	21 228		8 832
20 Feb 1971	537 122	489 911	25 084	464 827	15		217 465	127 191	25 035		95 146 ^a
30 Mar 1974	604 222	523 182	25 072	498 110	15	14	235 271	226 288	36 551		
19 Feb 1977	663 113	601 442	26 160	575 282	16		241 359	289 416	31 974		12 533
23 Feb 1980	714 724	631 915	27 692	604 223	16		270 538	287 058	23 101		23 526
19 Feb 1983	754 529	646 140	24 962	671 102	17		327 129	268 626	20 553		29 832

NOTES The Legislative Council (inaugurated in 1894) originally consisted of 21 members (7 electorates by 3 members). It was enlarged to 24 (8x3) in 1898; to 30 (10x3) in 1902; (15x2) in 1965; to 32 (16x2) in 1977; to 34 (17x2) in 1983. Adult suffrage from 1963; one person one vote 1893; compulsory voting 1964.

(a) DLP 67 901.

POL 223-234 AUSTRALIAN CAPITAL TERRITORY, GENERAL ELECTIONS 1974-1982

Date	TURNOUT					CLP, votes	CLP, seats	BY PARTY				
	Enrol- ment	Votes	Informal	Formal	ALP			ALP,	ALP,	Ind,	Ind,	Other,
		223	224	225	226			votes	seats	votes	seats	votes
1974	102 859	87 046	7 358	79 788	19 306	4	26 670	7	23 146	5	10 666	2 ^a
1979	131 818	113 470	12 712	100 758	41 812	8	21 383	4	14 060	3	12 971 ^b	3 ^c
1982	138 173	119 584	9 903	109 681	44 975	8	28 300	5	19 259	2	17 147 ^d	3 ^e

NOTES The inaugural Legislative Assembly and subsequent Houses of Assembly consist of 18 members, with 9 elected from each of the 2 federal electorates of Canberra and Fraser. The electoral system is proportional representation based on election by quota, and is similar to that used for the Senate. The system incorporates optional preferences.

(a) Australia party.

(b) AD 7379.

(c) AD 2 seats; Family Team party 1 seat.

(d) AD 8479.

(e) AD 1 seat; Family Team party 2 seats.