

LG Elections Statistics

NOMINATIONS										
	1983	1985	1987	1989	1991	1993	1995	1997	2000	2003
Possible No. Councils	124	124	113*	111*	113*	118*	115*	63*	67	67
Possible No. Positions	646	1270	1154	1170	1102	1174	1150	740	766	751
Total No. Nominations	855	1581	1384	1546	1513	1549	1565	1139	1162	1201
Elected Unopposed	459	792	691	613	541	608	580	214	226	177
Positions with Elections	137	478	463	557	561	556	570	526	535	574
as % of total	21.2	37.6	40.1	47.6	50.9	47.4	49.6	71.1	69.8	76.4
Supplementary Elections									5	6
as % of total									0.7	0.8
Candidates in Elections	296	789	693	933	972	941	985	925	936	1024
Ratio Candidates to Pos=	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.6
Women Nominees	92	211	227	260	308	324	350	290	288	313
as % of total nominees	10.8	13.4	16.4	16.8	20.3	20.9	22.4	25.5	24.8	26.1
Mayoral positions	-	-	-	-	-	63	64	41	47	48
Positions contested	10	15	17	27	23	24	21	23	28	32
Aboriginal candidates+	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	8	14	2	8
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Total eligible electors									1216725	1228958
in contested elections	497789	628469	668438	810991	704420	779441	772440	885977	1139100	1117232
Electors who voted	73521	119628	114725	163320	156277	134589	145042	304986	456849	365362
Turnout (State avg) %	14.8	19.0	17.2	20.1	22.2	17.3	18.8	34.4	40.1	32.7
Informality %	-	1.6	1.4	1.5	2.9	1.6	1.0	8.2	2.3	1.9
Lowest turnout for a position %	2.7	5.9	4.2	5.3	7.3	5.5	7.3	3.8	32.7	23.3
Highest turnout for a position %	74.7	80.9	86.4	81.4	97.5	83.1	88.5	83.7	69.4	68.2
Metropolitan Turnout %	12.3	16.7	14.0	16.3	17.1	13.4	13.8	28.8	37.0	28.4
Country City# Turnout %	-	21.0	18.2	36.4	33.1	24.4	28.6	48.6	combined below	
Other Country Turnout %	-	35.8	33.1	36.4	38.2	32.2	28.7	51.1	51.1	43.5
New Members elected-	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	241
as % of all positions^										32.3
Women Elected	-	-	166	196	226	253	263	190	209	198
as % of positions^	-	-	14.5	16.8	20.5	21.6	22.9	25.7	27.5	26.6
% Women in SA Parl't							23.2	21.7	27.5	31.9
% Women in Fed Parl't							14.4	20.5	24.5	26.5
Aboriginals Elected+			1	1	2	2	2	2	0	1
as % of positions^			0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.0	0.1
% Aboriginals in SA Parl't	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
% Aboriginals in Fed P't							0.0	0.0	0.4	0.4

Note: At 2000 & 2003 there are 68 Councils, however Roxby Downs does not yet have elected councillors

* Numbers reduced from totals due to amalgamations in progress

Pt Lincoln, Whyalla, Pt Augusta, Pt Pirie, Murray Bridge & Mt Gambier

~ i.e. members not holding a position on the previous Council

^ excludes supplementary vacancy positions determined after the periodic elections

+ NB: Based on networked information/self identification, not on verifiable/survey data

Prepared by the Local Government Association with data supplied by Councils to 1997 and by the Returning Officer (State Electoral Office) from 2000

