ELECTION 2013

Results and Statistics



Foreword

This report provides a statistical overview of the State General Election held on Saturday 9 March 2013 to elect the 39th Western Australian Parliament. It includes detailed results data down to the polling place level for all Legislative Assembly districts and Legislative Council regions.

The 2013 general election was the first conducted under changes to the *Electoral Act 1907* to fix polling day as the second Saturday in March every four years, and was also the first general election to not operate a central tally room on election night.

In total 291 candidates contested 95 vacancies. This was down slightly on the 2008 election where 302 candidates stood. Likewise the number of registered political parties that nominated candidates at the election also fell, reducing to seven from 10 in 2008. Fourteen new members were elected to the Legislative Assembly – eight from the Liberal Party, three from The Nationals, and three from WA Labor.

The composition of the Legislative Assembly is:

Liberal Party 31 members
The Nationals 7 members
WA Labor 21 members
Total 59 members

In accordance with the above results, the Liberal-National alliance formed the new Government. The margins for all 59 districts are depicted graphically on page 23, with Wagin showing as the 'safest' district and Midland the most 'marginal'.

In the Legislative Council, a total of 12 new members were elected, with the newly registered Shooters and Fishers Party winning a seat in the Agricultural Region.

The composition of the Legislative Council is:

Liberal Party
Shooters and Fishers
The Greens (WA)
The Nationals
WA Labor
Total
17 members
2 members
5 members
11 members
36 members

There were no independent candidates elected to the 39th Parliament.

This report also contains detailed statistics about the different vote types and classes recorded at the election. For example, it highlights a significant increase in the total number of early votes (in person) lodged and a rise in the percentage of informal votes cast for the Legislative Assembly.

This report is a companion volume to the 2013 State General Election: Election Report, which describes the conduct of the election in more narrative terms.

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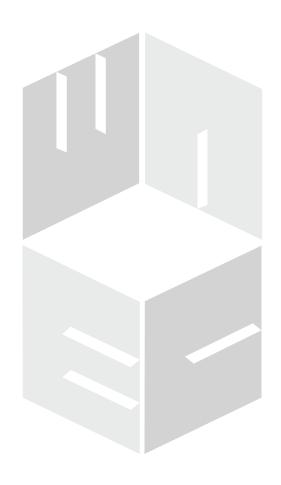


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