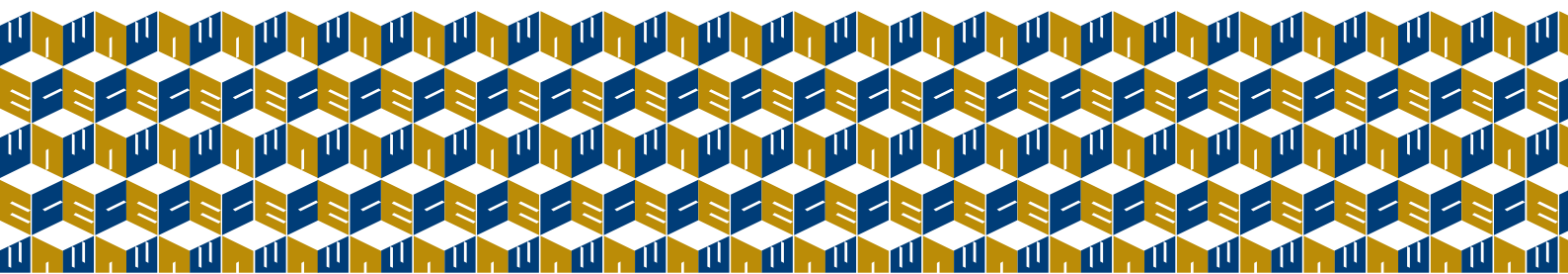


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2011



Foreword

At the October 2011 local government ordinary elections, I was requested to conduct 74 postal elections and two voting in person elections under the *Local Government Act 1995*. By making the Electoral Commissioner responsible for these elections, the local governments concerned ensured that the elections were conducted independently and with absolute impartiality. In addition, those local governments that adopted a postal election were able to offer greater convenience and accessibility to most electors, thereby achieving a higher elector participation rate.

Since they were first trialled in 1995, the number of local governments adopting postal elections has progressively increased, with 74 at the 2011 elections being the highest number ever – up from 69 in 2009.

The local governments deciding to conduct a postal election in 2011 comprised some 1,292,523 electors, which is about 95% of the State's total number of eligible electors. At the close of nominations, 710 candidates had nominated for 404 vacancies resulting in 66 separate postal elections. A total of 90 candidates were elected unopposed and one vacancy remained unfilled.

The Western Australian Electoral Commission (the Commission) conducts local government elections on a full cost recovery basis. A philosophy of continuous improvement and the adoption of various efficiency initiatives since the introduction of postal elections have meant that costs to local government have been able to be kept to a minimum. For example, the average cost per elector has remained almost constant over the past decade, despite CPI rises and increasing labour and postage costs.

I would like to acknowledge the efforts of all returning officers and Commission staff in the planning and conduct of the 2011 ordinary elections and each of the local governments for the assistance and cooperation provided by their staff.



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30 April 2012

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Electoral Commissioner is responsible for conducting postal elections under the *Local Government Act 1995* (the Act). If requested, the Electoral Commissioner can also conduct voting in person elections.

In conducting these elections, the Western Australian Electoral Commission (the Commission) is able to offer absolute impartiality and integrity, as well as substantial electoral expertise.

In total, 73 local governments asked the Electoral Commissioner to conduct their ordinary elections using the postal voting method in October 2011. In addition, the Commission conducted the City of Greater Geraldton's inaugural election as a postal ballot, and voting in person elections for the Shires of Broome and Halls Creek.

At the close of nominations on 8 September 2011, 66 of the 74 local governments opting for a postal ballot proceeded to election. All vacancies in eight of the local governments opting for the postal voting method were unopposed and hence candidates were declared elected by the returning officer immediately after nominations had closed.

The election of 11 mayors and one shire president (i.e. Shire of Carnarvon) were scheduled to be conducted as postal elections.

The Act provides for the conduct of ordinary elections within an 80-day timetable, with legislative obligations placed on both the Electoral Commissioner and local governments. A copy of the timetable appears at Appendix 1.

Returning officers were recruited and appointed by the Electoral Commissioner at the commencement of the election period. As well as online training, all returning officers participated in face to face training focusing on the key aspects of managing a postal election.

The Act requires the placement of the following three statutory advertisements in a newspaper with State wide circulation:

- enrolling to vote
- call for nominations
- notice of election.

The Commission placed all statutory advertisements in *The West Australian* newspaper.

Returning officers were provided with manuals and guidelines for the conduct of the election. Candidates were provided with a *Candidate Pack* on CD, that included publications prepared by both the Commission and the Department of Local Government (DLG). A guide for scrutineers was also included in the *Candidate Pack*.

Candidates and members of council, on request, were provided with copies of the residents roll prepared by the Electoral Commissioner. The owners and occupiers roll was prepared by the Chief Executive Officer of the local government and provided to the returning officer for issue to candidates and members of council.

Owners and occupiers roll data was electronically merged with data from the residents roll to form a combined postal roll to enable the dispatch of election packages to electors.

Of the initial 74 postal elections that the Commission agreed to conduct, a total of 710 candidates nominated for 404 vacancies in 191 wards. A total of 90 candidates were elected unopposed and one vacancy remained unfilled. There were 26 candidates for the nine mayoral contested ballots, with two mayors being elected unopposed. For the two voting in person elections conducted by the Commission, 17 candidates nominated for eight vacancies in three wards.

A total of 1,114,275 election packages comprising ballot paper(s), ballot paper envelope, reply paid envelope, information brochure and profiles of the candidates were sent to electors in each of the 66 postal elections.

Staff from local governments issued replacement and provisional packages. A total of 3,128 replacement packages were issued for the 66 postal elections. Provisional packages were issued only if electors were omitted from the residents or owners and occupiers rolls. A total of 161 provisional packages were issued.

A total of 344,799 completed packages were returned by voters, giving a State-wide participation rate of 30.94% for postal elections.

A postal vote checking centre was established at 18 Mount Street Perth. Postal voting packages returned by voters were opened, checked and then scanned to mark each voter's name off the roll.

Following scanning, the elector certificates were removed from the ballot paper envelopes. This ensured that the identities of the voters could not be matched with the ballot papers and thus the secrecy of the ballot could be ensured.

Subsequently, the ballot paper envelopes were opened, the ballot paper(s) removed without inspection and placed in a sealed ballot box for delivery to returning officers.

The Act requires a polling place to be open on election day (15 October 2011) and in the majority of cases, these were at the offices of the local government. These polling places acted as a receiving point for packages from electors and also issued replacement and provisional votes. Ballot boxes were delivered from Perth to the returning officer at each local government prior to or on election day. Counting of votes commenced soon after the close of the poll at 6.00 pm on election day, Saturday 15 October 2011.

The First Past the Post Voting System applies to voting at local government elections. Where there was only one or two vacancies, votes were predominantly counted manually. Where there were multiple candidates and vacancies, votes were counted using a computer program developed and distributed by the Commission (CountWA). In some cases ballot papers were counted in Perth and the results forwarded to the local government offices for inclusion with the local count figures.

The results of each count were recorded on an election management system in Perth, published on the Commission's website at www.waec.wa.gov.au on election day, and published in *The West Australian* on the following Wednesday. See Appendix 10 for a copy of all local governments' results data.

The number of electors returning voting packages is a measure of voter participation. The average participation rate in October 2011 was 30.94%. This compared with 33.37% in October 2009. A number of factors impact on voter participation and comparing the State-wide figure over time can be misleading. Nevertheless, in general terms elector

participation at local government postal elections appears to be in decline.

Of the 1,114,275 election packages distributed in the 66 postal elections, 5,480 were returned to the Commission as late mail after the close of the poll, an average of 0.49%. While not significant in percentage terms, it indicates that some electors do not take into consideration the time constraints regarding the return of postal voting packages.

In addition, a total of 22,243 packages were returned to the Commission as unclaimed mail, an average of 2.00% of all packages dispatched. These addresses were referred to the Australian Electoral Commission (AEC) or the local government (in the case of owners and occupiers) so that appropriate action could be taken to correct the roll.

Legislation requires that where a local government opts for a postal election, the election is to be run by the Commission. Also the cost of the election is to be recouped by the Commission on the basis of full accrual cost recovery. Accordingly, local governments remain keenly interested in the costs incurred in the conduct of postal elections. Given that local governments need only operate one polling place (if they wish) on election day under an in person election, the cost of a postal election will always be higher. The advantage however is a higher participation rate and arguably a more legitimate representative council.

Clearly the scale of an election will impact on cost. The smallest election conducted by the Commission was the Shire of Upper Gascoyne with 201 electors. The largest was the City of Stirling with 126,720 electors.

The average cost per elector increased by 6% for the October 2011 elections in comparison to the 2009 elections. This was mainly due to a postage rate increase of 15% and an 8% increase in staff pay rates.

Nevertheless the Commission has been successful in constraining the election costs paid by local governments over the past decade. This is demonstrated by the fact that in 2003 the State-wide average cost per elector at postal elections run by the Commission was \$2.73. At the 2011 elections the average cost per elector was still only \$2.71, despite CPI rises and increases in postage and labour costs. Increasing economies of scale and

the adoption of various efficiency innovations have enabled postal election cost increases to be kept to a minimum.

Comparative Statistics 2007, 2009 and 2011 Local Government Postal Elections

Ordinary Elections	October 2007	October 2009	October 2011
	Postal	Postal	Postal
Local Government Districts	64	69	74
Enrolled electors	1,202,481	1,220,668	1,292,523
Referendums/Polls	1	1	0
Mayoral Elections			
Vacancies	10	10	11
Elected unopposed	-	3	2
Contested	10	7	9
Candidates	42	25	28
President Elections			
Vacancies	1		1
Elected unopposed	1		0
Contested	0		1
Candidates	1		3
Wards			
Vacancies	191	194	191
Contested	150	137	135
Councillor Elections			
Vacancies	364	353	392
Elected unopposed	67	92	88
Contested	295	258	303
Candidates	672	616	679
Positions unfilled	2	3	1
Election Packages			
Dispatched	1,054,343	1,084,504	1,114,275
Returned at close of poll	362,062	361,845	344,799
Elector Participation			
Range	24% to 74%	25% to 66%	24% to 69%
Average	34.34%	33.37%	30.94%
Cost			
*Total cost	\$2,716,992	\$2,827,540	\$3,126,186

*Excludes GST.

Table 1: Comparative Statistics 2007, 2009 and 2011 Local Government Elections. Data Source: EMSWA

INTRODUCTION

Since 1995, the Commission has had an increasing commitment to the conduct of local government postal elections.

Any council may conduct its own voting in person election, however only the Electoral Commissioner may conduct a postal voting election. The decision to conduct a postal election must be passed by an absolute majority of council.

From the initial four local governments adopting postal elections in 1995, the Commission's involvement in postal elections increased to eight in 1997, 34 in 1999, 47 in 2001, 55 in 2003, 50 in 2005, 64 in 2007, 69 in 2009 and 74 in 2011.

In 2011, over 95% of the State's eligible electors (90% in 2009, 92% in 2007 and 85% in 2005) had access to the postal voting method.

All but one of the local governments located in the Perth metropolitan area have adopted postal voting. The Town of East Fremantle was the only metropolitan local government using the voting in person method at the October 2011 elections.

Local governments participating in postal elections in 2011 are listed at Appendix 3. The Shires of Broomehill-Tambellup, Coorow, Denmark, Murray, Plantagenet, West Arthur and Wongan-Ballidu and the Town of Victoria Park did not proceed to election as the number of nominations equalled the number of vacancies in each district.

Local governments participating in the postal voting method for the first time included the Shires of Harvey, Kent, and Menzies and the Town of Port Hedland.

The Shires of Broome and Halls Creek requested the Electoral Commissioner to be responsible for their voting in person elections. In both cases, the Commission was engaged partly because of the expertise it could offer with respect to mobile polling services to remote indigenous communities.

This report provides a brief description of the processes involved in conducting the 2011 local government ordinary elections and includes a summary of the results.

PLANNING FOR 2011

In planning for the 2011 local government ordinary elections, an underlying principle was to provide a quality service to local government clients at the lowest possible cost. The following initiatives were put in place for the 2011 elections.

Online Nomination Builder

For the 2009 Local Government Elections, the Commission developed an online nomination builder to assist candidates complete their nomination form and profile online. This system was enhanced for the 2011 local government elections.

By using the nomination builder, candidates can ensure that their profile information is provided in a standard format for inclusion in the election package. It also allows for the candidate to include a digital photograph for their profile.

Reduced Insertion Costs

By combining the ballot paper and candidate profile into one document, the Commission has been able to reduce the overall cost of producing the election package. In addition when a mayoral/presidential election is held in conjunction with a councillor election, the number of documents to insert is reduced so that no manual intervention is required.

Joint Campaign Advertising

The Commission together with the Department of Local Government ran a joint advertising campaign in community and regional press. This advertising was in addition to the reproduction of statutory advertisements in the local community newspapers.

By sharing costs with the Department of Local Government, the Commission was able to run a more comprehensive public information campaign.

ELECTION TIMETABLE

The timetable for local government elections is prescribed by the Act. Events are counted back in days from election day which is the third Saturday in October every two years. These dates are fixed, which greatly assists with planning and preparation. A copy of the timeline for the 2011 local government ordinary elections can be seen at Appendix 1.

Key Events

Conducting large numbers of simultaneous postal elections demands a high degree of planning and scheduling to meet the requirements of the election process. Some of the key election events for the Commission include:

- close of the electoral rolls
- open and close of nominations
- printing and dispatch of postal voting election packages
- receipt and checking of postal voting election packages
- election day, the count and declaration of results.

RETURNING OFFICERS AND STAFF

Returning Officers

Recruitment of returning officers commenced in early 2011, with the aim of appointing people who lived locally and were known to their communities where possible. The Commission was interested in people who were highly organised with strong interpersonal, communication and computing skills.

Several staff from the Commission, with substantial experience in local government elections, were appointed as deputy returning officers, particularly in locations such as the postal vote checking centre.

Training for returning officers was provided by staff from the Commission who hold a *Certificate IV in Workplace Assessment and Training* qualification or tertiary education qualifications.

Returning officers attended a training session in Perth, and completed online training modules prior to the commencement of the election period. The names of all Commission employed returning officers are listed at Appendix 12.



Figure 1: Returning officer training

Administrative Staff

Election processes can be very labour intensive. A large number of casual staff were employed at the postal vote checking centre in Perth. Others were employed to assist with various processes up to and including the counting of votes on election day.

Local government authorities typically made their staff available for the issue of replacement and provisional voting papers during the lead up to election day. In addition, one or more staff from most local governments worked at the polling place on election day and/or were employed to count ballot papers after 6.00 pm.

ADVERTISING

Statutory Advertising

The Act provides for the placement of three statutory advertisements in a newspaper with State-wide circulation. The Commission placed all statutory advertising in *The West Australian* newspaper.

The first advertisement was a *Notice of Close of Enrolments*, which appeared in *The West Australian* on Wednesday 10 August 2011 in accordance with section 4.39(2) of the Act.

The second advertisement was a *Call for Nominations* notice, which appeared in *The West Australian* on Wednesday 24 August 2011 in accordance with section 4.47(1) of the Act.

The third advertisement was a *Notice of Election*, which appeared in *The West Australian* on Wednesday 14 September 2011 in accordance with section 4.64(1) of the Act.

The *Notice of Results* is not required to be placed in a newspaper with State-wide publication; however, this too was placed in *The West Australian* on Wednesday 19 October 2011.

Supplementary Statutory Advertising

All but one local government also took up the option of placing the three statutory advertisements in local community newspapers. Each local advertisement was published in the week following the statutory advertisements and carried messages designed to draw attention to a specific stage of the election process.

Campaign Advertising

In addition to the statutory advertising undertaken, the Commission in conjunction with the Department of Local Government, arranged for a series of campaign advertisements to be placed in both *The West Australian* and local community newspapers. These advertisements were placed at relevant times and covered items such as enrolling to vote, nominating for council and returning the election package. These advertisements aimed to raise the profile of the elections and increase community participation.

Media

To promote postal voting in the local government elections and support the advertising campaign, the Commission produced media releases targeting both print and electronic media.

The releases conveyed key election information and focused on initiatives to make postal voting easier and encouraged electors to take part in decision-making at the local level. The releases were syndicated in each of the districts undertaking postal voting for greater local impact. A number of media interviews were conducted on State-wide and regional radio, as well as with print journalists.

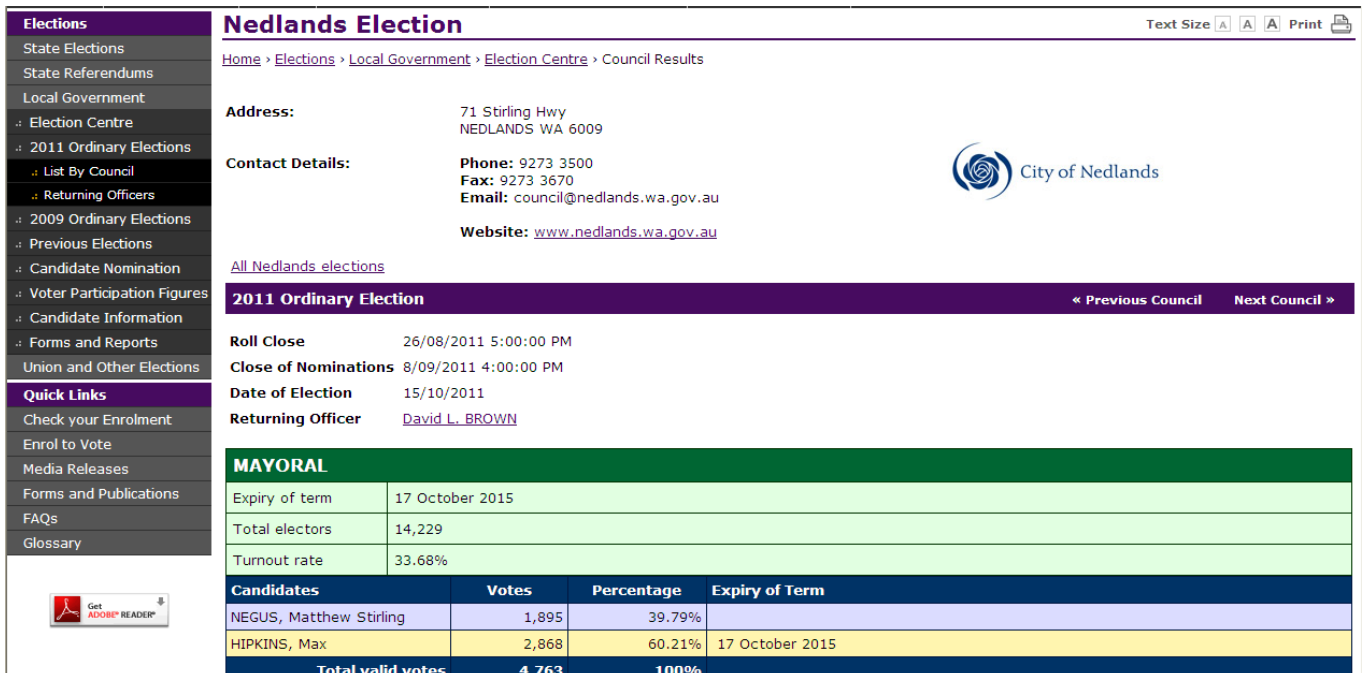
The Commission's Website

Each participating local government had a visual presence on the Commission's website in terms of their logo, address and link to their home page. People visiting the site could view a broad range of electoral information, including:

- key dates and deadlines for the election
- how-to-vote information
- previous postal voting election results
- lists of candidates (after close of nominations)
- returning officer contact details
- enrolment information and checking.


Importantly, election results were available to the electors and other stakeholders via the home page of the Commission's website on election night.

The Commission received both positive and negative feedback on the manner in which both general election and results information could be accessed online. A number of changes are already planned for the next local government ordinary elections.



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MAYORAL

Expiry of term	17 October 2015
Total electors	14,229
Turnout rate	33.68%

Candidates	Votes	Percentage	Expiry of Term
NEGUS, Matthew Stirling	1,895	39.79%	
HIPKINS, Max	2,868	60.21%	17 October 2015
Total valid votes	4,763	100%	

Figure 2: Local government postal election results on the Western Australian Electoral Commission website.

ELECTORAL ROLLS

Close of the Roll

Prior to the close of the roll, 11 local government district/ward boundary changes were implemented.

When the rolls closed on 26 August 2011, there were 1,364,175 electors on the State residents roll. Each local government Chief Executive Officer was responsible for producing an owners and occupiers roll for their district.

Electronic Rolls

As soon as the rolls closed and enrolment processing was completed, copies were burned to CD and made available to candidates, ensuring they had the opportunity to use the information for election campaigning purposes (once they had nominated).

Candidates and members of council, upon request, were provided with one free copy of the residents roll and the owners and occupiers roll.

Privacy

There are legislative requirements which govern the distribution of the electoral roll including the:

- *Electoral Act 1907* and *Electoral Regulations 1996*
- *Local Government Act 1995* and *Local Government (Elections) Regulations 1997*.

In addition, there is a level of concern in the community about the privacy of information held by government agencies.

In the absence of state privacy legislation, the Commission recognises the intent of the Commonwealth *Privacy Act 1988* which is to:

- protect the use of personal information which could affect individuals' lives in critical ways
- ensure individuals' information is accurate
- ensure individuals' information is not to be transmitted without their knowledge.

These concerns are drawn to the attention of candidates and local government authorities when rolls are provided for electoral purposes.

ELECTION MATERIAL

Manuals

Manuals and guidelines for the conduct of the election were provided to all returning officers.

Candidate Packs

Each candidate was provided with a *Candidate Pack*. The pack was a CD that contained the following:

- a publication entitled *A Guide for Candidates*
- a publication entitled *A Guide for Scrutineers*
- a publication entitled *A Candidate's Guide to Standing for Local Government*
- a publication entitled *Local Government Elections 2011 – Frequently asked questions about local government elections*
- Form LG 08 *Nomination for Election by Candidate*
- Form LG 09 *Nomination for Election by Agent*
- Form LG 09A *Disclosure of Gifts*
- Form LG 18 *Appointment of Scrutineer*.

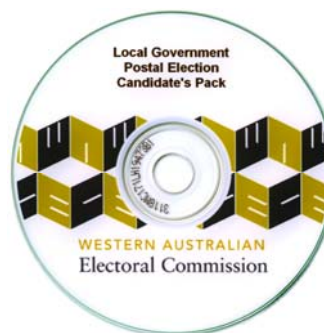


Figure 3: Candidate pack CD

Forms

Forms for the election were designed by Commission staff and issued to returning officers, candidates and scrutineers. The *Local Government (Elections) Regulations 1997* provides for 23 forms covering various election related functions.

NOMINATIONS

Nominations opened on 1 September 2011 and closed at 4.00 pm on 8 September 2011. Nominations for a particular district can only be taken by the returning officer.

Candidates

A total of 710 candidates nominated for 404 vacancies in 191 wards in the 74 postal elections. At the close of nominations on 8 September 2011, there were 313 contested vacancies, 90 unopposed vacancies and one uncontested vacancy. There were 679 candidates for councillor, 28 candidates for 11 mayoral vacancies and three candidates for the one presidential vacancy. There were 302 contested vacancies for councillor, nine for mayor and one for president. Seventeen candidates nominated for eight vacancies in three wards for the two voting in person elections conducted by the Commission at Halls Creek and Broome.

The Nominations Process

To be valid and complete a nomination must include:

- completed nomination form
- candidate profile
- \$80 nomination deposit (cash, money order or bank cheque)
- photograph (optional).

Returning officers were instructed not to process a nomination until it was complete. Candidate profiles were checked to ensure compliance with the provisions of Regulation 24.

The original copy of the profile was placed on the notice board of the local government with a photograph of the candidate (if provided). Other nomination papers were forwarded to the Commission for printing in a standardised format for inclusion in postal voting election packages.

Nominations closed at 4.00 pm on 8 September 2011. Returning officers were present at the local government offices from 2.00 pm (or earlier if required) to accept final nominations from candidates.

After nominations closed, the returning officer conducted a short briefing to candidates and scrutineers, designed to explain the process that would follow in this election. Candidates were also given information on the procedures for the postal vote checking centre and the counting locations. This was followed by a draw for position on the ballot paper.

Candidate Profiles

The Commission further developed its online nomination builder to assist candidates prepare their nomination and build their candidate profile to ensure compliance with the provisions of Regulation 24.

The profiles were combined with the ballot paper and forwarded electronically to the printer for printing in a standard format.

Candidates continue to prepare their profiles with extensive use of hyphenated words, spelling mistakes and incorrect use of grammar. Spelling mistakes and grammar were typically not corrected, as this is the responsibility of candidates.

In total 710 profiles were received in 2011, an increase on the 641 profiles received in 2009. Unfortunately, many candidates continue to defer their nomination until the last hour or two on the final day of nominations. This creates some challenges for returning officers and can delay the ballot paper draw as well as the production of election packages.

Gender of Candidates

In 2011, 494 males and 216 females nominated for vacancies in local government postal elections. This compares with 443 males and 198 females in 2009. As a result 274 males and 129 females were elected, compared to 237 males and 123 females in 2009.

In 2011, women made up 30.42% of candidates. This was similar to the percentage in 2009 at 30.89% and in 2007 at 29.79%.

For the two voting in person local government elections, two women and six men were elected.

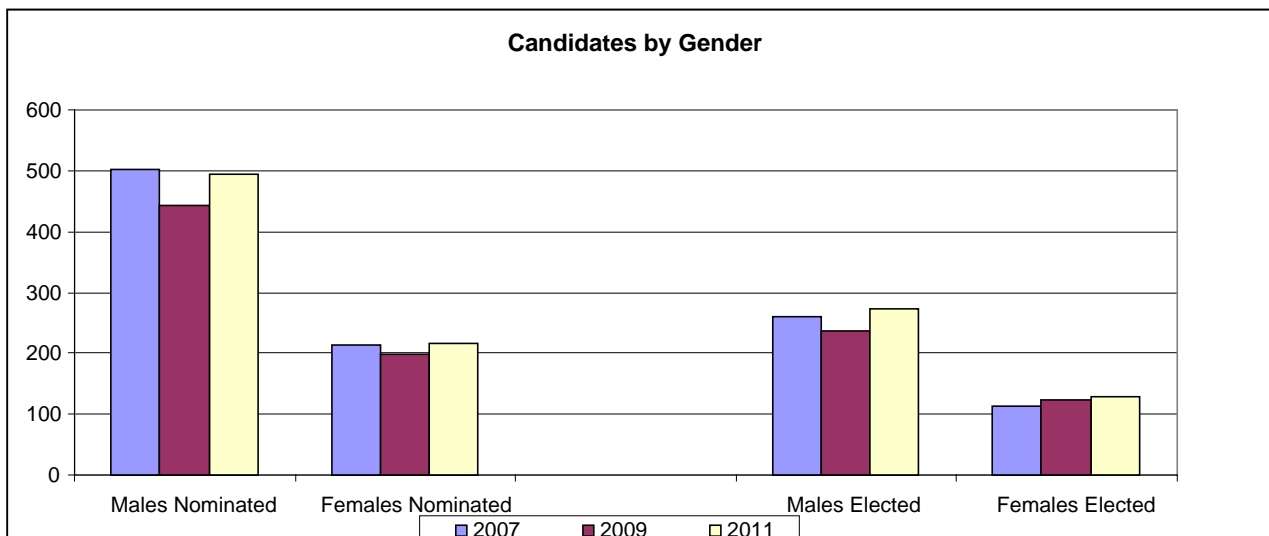


Chart 1: Candidates by Gender for Postal Voting Local Governments. Data Source: EMSWA

Age of Candidates

In 2011, the average age of candidates was 54 with ages ranging from 19 to 82. This compares to 2009 where average age was also 54 with an age range

between 18 and 81; in 2007 the average age was 53 with a range from 19 to 84.

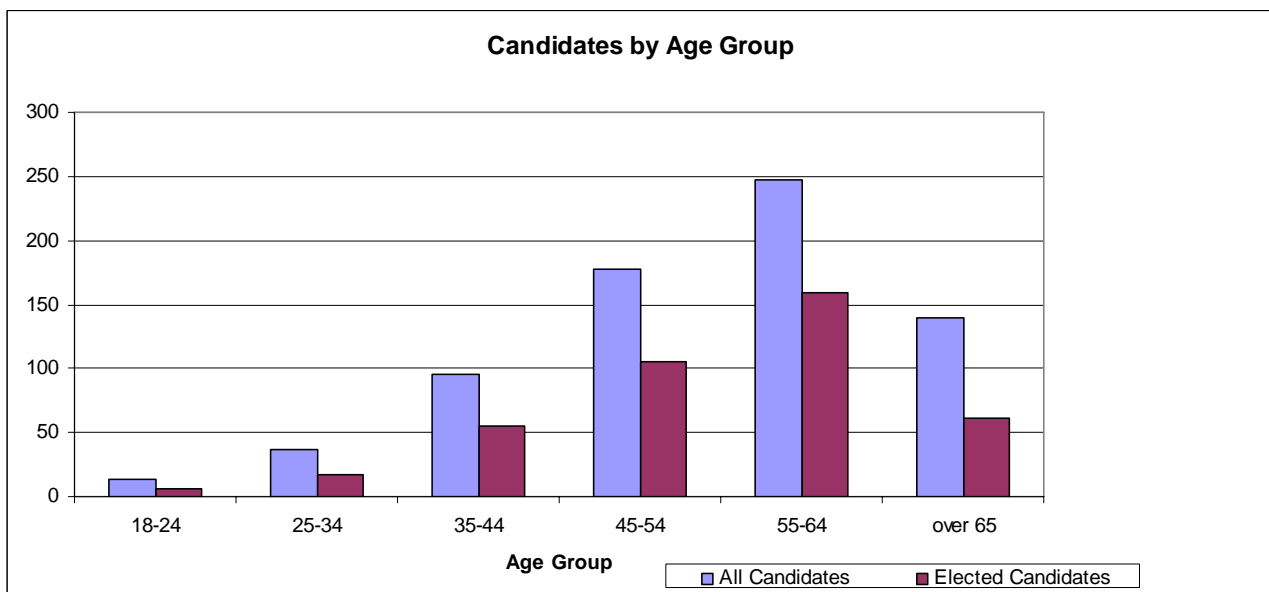


Chart 2: Candidates by Age Group for Postal Voting Local Governments. Data Source: EMSWA

Unopposed and Uncontested Wards

At the close of nominations on 8 September 2011, 55 of the 191 wards with vacancies for postal elections received an equal number of nominations. These candidates were declared elected unopposed.

From a total of 392 vacancies for councillor, 88 candidates were elected unopposed for postal elections. One vacancy remained uncontested.

No vacancies were elected unopposed for the two voting in person elections.

COMPLAINTS

The Act provides that either the Electoral Commissioner or the returning officer may investigate whether misconduct, malpractice or maladministration has occurred in relation to an election. The Electoral Commissioner's powers are not limited to elections conducted by the Commissioner.

In 2011 the Commission established a call centre and appointed liaison staff to provide information to the public as well as manage complaints received. The returning officers for each local government dealt with local issues where possible.

The number of formal written complaints (100) received was nearly 40% lower on the number received in 2009 (161). In total over 200 email complaints and/or enquiries were received. The majority were in connection with:

- section 4.87 – printing and publication of election material
- section 4.88 – misleading, false and defamatory statements
- disclosure of gifts.

All complaints were reviewed to determine if a breach of the Act had occurred and whether further action was warranted.

In many instances, no evidence of any breach was found and the complainant was advised accordingly. Alternatively, the breach was of a technical nature and the matter was resolved by drawing to the attention of those concerned the legislative requirements for future reference.

Two potentially more serious breaches were referred to and investigated by either the Police or a qualified investigator under delegated authority of the Electoral Commissioner. In both cases no charges were ultimately laid.

Invalidity Complaint

A person who is dissatisfied with the result of an election or with the way in which an election was conducted may make an invalidity complaint. An invalidity complaint is made to a Court of Disputed Returns and is required to be made within 28 days of the publication of the result of an election.

No invalidity complaints were made in relation to the postal or in person elections conducted by the Commission.

ELECTION PACKAGES

Design

Election package design is important as electors may overlook that an election is occurring and discard the package alongside other unsolicited mail. It was hoped that the package design would help focus attention on the fact that there was to be a local government election and that a postal vote was included in the envelope.



Figure 4: Package design

The package comprised five separate parts:

1. ballot paper(s); and candidate profiles
2. postal vote information
3. ballot paper envelope with elector's certificate attached
4. dispatch envelope
5. reply paid return envelope.

Ballot Paper(s)

Ballot papers were printed using a combination of colours to avoid confusion when two or more ballot papers were included in an election package (e.g. councillor and mayoral). Security paper was used to prevent unauthorised reproduction, as the words 'illegal copy' will appear on photocopies.

Authenticity of the ballot paper in accordance with regulation 45(5) included the printing of the words 'Western Australian Electoral Commission' as the background to both sides of the ballot paper.

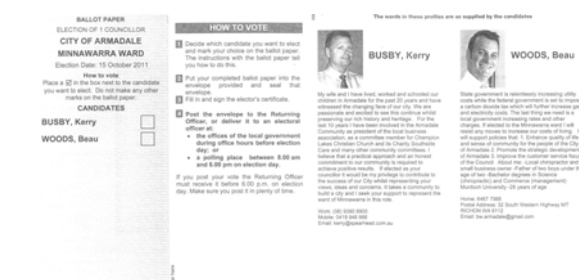


Figure 5: Ballot paper and profiles

Candidate Profiles

The profiles of the candidates were printed in a standardised format along with a photograph where supplied. The profiles were attached to the ballot paper, but printed in a different colour and detachable via perforations.

The profiles complied with the requirements of Regulation 24(b) and included candidate contact details to enable electors to make further enquiries of the candidates before completing their vote.

Postal Vote Information


The information brochure was in a generic form for cost saving purposes. It was designed with a view to guiding the elector through the process of completing a valid postal vote.

The brochure was written in plain English with brief instructions. Basic information was also provided in a range of commonly used foreign languages within Western Australia.


Ballot Paper Envelope

This envelope was standardised for all local governments. The ballot paper is inserted into the envelope and sealed by the elector. A certificate attached to the envelope is to be completed by the elector who makes a declaration in accordance with Regulation 43(1) (e).

If the elector had changed his or her address or other details, this change can be recorded on the reverse of the certificate.



103121012403
00701 4149991
City of Gosnells
Gosnells Ward



Mr. J Citizen
16 Wombat Cresent
GOSNELLS WA 6106

You **MUST** sign this declaration

Elector's Certificate Form 14 <i>Local Government (Elections) Regulations 1997, reg. 43(1)(e)</i>	
Declaration (Making a false declaration is an offence).	I am the elector to whom a package containing the attached ballot paper envelope was addressed. I declare that the attached ballot paper envelope contains my ballot paper(s).
Date: / /	Signature:

CHANGED YOUR ADDRESS?
 (COMPLETE ON REVERSE OF THIS CERTIFICATE)

Figure 6: Front of elector's certificate

Has your name or address changed?

New name			
New residential address			Postcode
New postal address			Postcode

Figure 7: Back of elector's certificate

Dispatch Envelope

This envelope is used to post the election package to electors. The envelope has a large window to allow the elector address and Australia Post barcode to be viewed easily. The address of the Commission is provided for the return of unclaimed mail.

Reply Paid Return Envelope

This envelope is used by the voter to post the completed voting papers to the returning officer for that local government. Australia Post directs the envelopes to the Commission and delivers them to the postal vote checking centre in the period leading up to election day.

Election Package Dispatch

There were 1,114,275 packages dispatched to electors in 147 wards (including 12 wards where there was a mayoral election only) in 66 postal elections.

Packages were printed and packaged for each ward, necessitating a high level of quality control to ensure that each elector received the correct package. Commission staff operated on a shift basis at the printing contractor's premises in order to undertake this checking and quality assurance role.

Dispatch and Return Period

Many country and remote local government electors were given more than three weeks to return their ballot papers to the postal vote checking centre. Metropolitan electors were allowed about a three week period. Most metropolitan electors received their packages a day after posting.

All remote and country local government districts were lodged with Australia Post by Wednesday 21 September 2011 and all metropolitan local government districts were lodged with Australia Post by Saturday 24 September 2011.

Packages from 48% of all electors choosing to vote were returned within the first week of receiving them.

REPLACEMENT, PROVISIONAL AND ABSENT VOTING

Statistics on the number of replacement and provisional votes issued in each district are provided at Appendix 4.

Local government staff members were trained by the returning officer to issue absent, provisional and replacement votes. All election material for this purpose was provided by the Commission.

Replacement Voting

The period for the issue of replacement voting papers commenced on the day after the election packages were dispatched and ended at 6.00 pm on election day.

Electors could obtain replacement voting papers by visiting their local government office.

Electors were required to complete a declaration if a ballot paper or ballot paper envelope or a complete election package was requested.

There were 3,128 replacement voting papers issued for the 66 local government postal elections in 2011, an average of 47 packages per district. This compares with 2,978 in 2009 at an average of 50, and 2,429 in 2007 at an average of 41.

Of the 3,128 replacement voting papers issued, 1,354 were issued prior to election day and 1,774 were issued on election day.

Provisional Voting

The period for the issue of provisional voting papers commenced on the day after the election packages were dispatched and ended at 6.00 pm on election day.

All provisional electors were required to complete a declaration.

Provisional voting papers were issued only if electors were found to have been omitted inadvertently from the residents or owners and occupiers rolls.

There were 161 provisional voting packages issued across 30 local governments in 2011. In 2009, there were 102 provisional voting papers issued across 28 local governments.

Absent Voting

An elector who wished to cast an absent vote for an election conducted by the voting in person method could do so at any local government.

Absent voting started on the day of the election notice (14 September 2011) and ended on the fourth day before election day (11 October 2011).

Local government staff members were trained by the returning officer to issue absent votes. All election material for this purpose was provided by the Commission.

RETURN OF PACKAGES

Postal Vote Checking Centre

The postal vote checking centre was located at 18 Mount Street, Perth. Casual staff members were employed in teams to process ballot paper envelopes returned by voters.

Of the 1,114,275 packages sent to electors, voters returned 344,799, a response rate of 30.94%.

Election Management System

The Election Management System (EMSWA) was developed initially for the management of the 2003 local government postal elections and has progressively been updated and enhanced since that time.

At the postal vote checking centre EMSWA was used to:

- scan all elector barcodes to mark the names of voters off the roll
- record the issue of replacement and provisional ballot papers
- record the number of election packages received from voters
- record the number of ballot papers to be counted on election day
- record the results of the election following the count.

Return of Packages

Mail was delivered to the postal vote checking centre by Australia Post on a daily basis from 26 September 2011.

The figures from Australia Post are only indicative of the number of completed packages returned each day. The figures do not include packages that are hand delivered to each local government office by electors.

Approximately 48% of packages were returned to the postal vote checking centre by the end of the first week. This was lower than in 2009.

The following Chart 3, illustrates the trend for the return of packages.

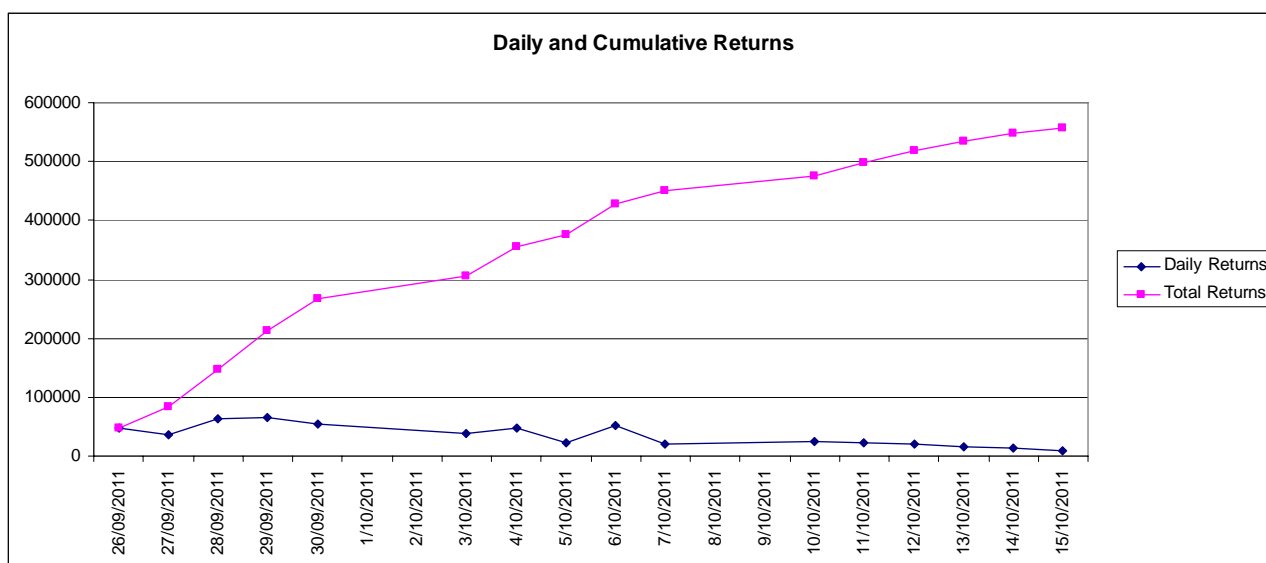


Chart 3: Postal Vote Package Receipts from Australia Post. Data Source: EMSWA

Checking Process

A considerable amount of pre-processing is required to admit a postal vote to the count. This includes:

- receipt of ballot paper envelopes from voters on a daily basis
- opening the reply paid envelopes and checking the elector's certificate
- rejecting envelopes that are not completed in accordance with Regulation 43(1)(e)
- scanning barcodes to mark each elector's name off the roll
- compiling records and statistics of returned envelopes and rejected envelopes
- removing the elector's certificates from the ballot paper envelopes
- retaining any elector's certificates with change of name and address details
- removing the ballot paper from the ballot paper envelope without examination and placing it in a ballot box.

Each barcode was scanned to mark the voter's name off the roll. Batch totals are recorded by the system and checked to ensure all barcodes are scanned. The system does not allow a barcode to be scanned more than once.



Figure 8: Removing votes from the ballot paper envelopes

Candidates and Scrutineers

Candidates and scrutineers were given the option of visiting the postal vote checking centre to view the processing of returned packages. A number of local government and Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) staff members and media representatives also visited the centre.

Change of Details

Voters who changed their name and/or address could complete the reverse of the elector's certificate.

Changes advised in relation to residents were forwarded to the Australian Electoral Commission to allow action to be taken to update the residents' roll.

Changes in relation to owners and occupiers were returned to each local government after the election for follow-up.

These procedures assist in maintaining accuracy of the rolls.

Recording Replacement and Provisional Packages

Each local government issued their own replacement and provisional packages. By entering the information directly into EMSWA, the election roll was updated accordingly.

Occasionally an elector who has been issued with a replacement package, subsequently returns their original package. EMSWA detects such an occurrence and will only allow one package to be accepted per elector per entitlement.

Rejected Packages

Some returned packages were not accepted.

The principal reasons were:

- the elector certificate was not returned
- the elector certificate was not signed or
- the signature did not appear to comply with Regulations.

All reasons for rejecting an election package were recorded. Appendix 2 shows the number of rejected packages by local government district and the reasons for rejection.

In 2011, 14,624 (4.24%) packages were rejected from the total of 344,799 packages returned. This is marginally higher than 2009 when 14,498 (4.01%) packages were rejected from the total of 361,845 packages returned.

A total of 8,105 voters did not sign their electors certificate in 2011 compared to 6,829 in 2009. A total of 6,260 voting papers were missing their declaration in 2011, compared to 7,288 in 2009.

The following chart compares rejected packages in 2011 with 2009 and 2007.

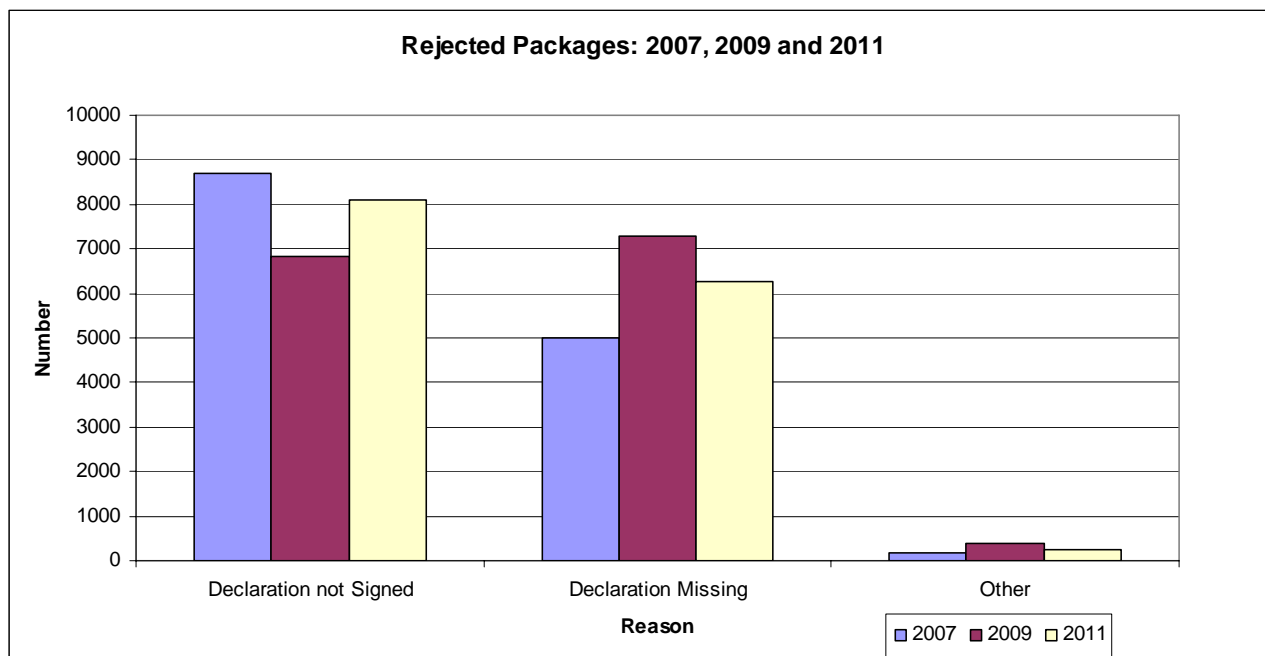


Chart 4: Rejected Packages in 2007, 2009 and 2011. Data Source: EMSWA

Dispatch of Ballot Boxes to Counting Centres

Prior to election day, sealed ballot boxes containing ballot papers were dispatched from the postal vote checking centre under secure conditions to returning officers in some country districts. All metropolitan districts had their sealed ballot boxes dispatched from the postal vote checking centre on election day. On election day, the returning officers added ballot papers processed at the polling place to the total of ballot papers already in the boxes. The ballot boxes remained sealed until 6.00 pm when the count could commence.

ELECTION DAY

Polling Places

Under the legislation, one polling place must be open on election day in each local government district going to election. Generally a local government's offices are used as the polling place.

The Shire of Coolgardie, City of Greater Geraldton and Town of Port Hedland had more than one polling place open on election day.

Staff at polling places issued replacement and provisional voting packages. Voters who had not posted their completed package to the postal vote checking centre could deliver it by hand to the polling place for processing.

Packages Processed on Election Day

A total of 12,243 election packages were processed on election day, 3.55% of all packages received. This has implications for some local governments as considerable pressure is placed on polling staff who were busy issuing replacement and provisional ballot papers and attending to enquiries from electors.

A few electors continue to believe that it is possible to lodge a vote in person on election day, without applying for a replacement package.

Counting of the Votes

Under the first past the post system of voting, voters are required to tick up to the number of vacancies specified on the ballot paper.

In local governments with just one or two vacancies on the ballot paper the count was conducted manually.

Where the number of vacancies was greater than two in any one ward, with a greater number of candidates, the Commission determined that a computer count was necessary. This type of count has a high degree of accuracy for the more complex counts. Data entry staff were used to key in all preferences marked on the ballot papers. The software program then computes the result.

Local governments that used a computer count included:

- City of Bunbury
- City of Cockburn
- City of Gosnells
- City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder
- City of Perth
- City of Vincent
- City of Wanneroo
- Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes
- Shire of Broome
- Shire of Busselton
- Shire of Capel
- Shire of Carnarvon
- Shire of Chittering
- Shire of Collie
- Shire of Coolgardie
- Shire of Dandaragan
- Shire of Dardanup
- Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup
- Shire of Esperance
- Shire of Exmouth
- Shire of Halls Creek
- Shire of Harvey
- Shire of Irwin
- Shire of Katanning
- Shire of Merredin
- Shire of Moora
- Shire of Northam
- Shire of Peppermint Grove
- Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale
- Shire of Shark Bay
- Shire of Roebourne
- Shire of Upper Gascoyne

- Shire of Waroona
- Town of Bassendean
- Town of Kwinana
- Town of Port Hedland

At the end of each count for election of mayor/president or councillor, the returning officer formally declared the result.

RESULTS

All results were telephoned or faxed to the central results centre on election night. These were then verified before being posted to the Commission's internet site at www.waec.wa.gov.au.

Results were published in *The West Australian* newspaper on Wednesday 19 October 2011. The *Report to Minister* (Form 20) and statistics on the candidates and participation rates were produced from the Commission's election management system.

A local government specific election report, including results information, was compiled and forwarded to each local government soon after the election day.

Copies of results for all mayoral/presidential and councillor elections are at Appendix 10.

Sitting Members

Of the 710 candidates who nominated for elections in postal voting local governments, 238 were sitting members (33.52%). Of the 404 vacancies filled, sitting members were elected to 180 positions (44.55%) while other candidates were elected to 224 positions (55.45%).

Of the sitting member candidates re-contesting postal voting elections, 75.63% were re-elected. This compared with 82.98% in 2009.

Of the 17 candidates who nominated for the two voting in person local government elections, four were sitting councillors (23.53%). Three of the sitting candidates were re-elected (75.00%).

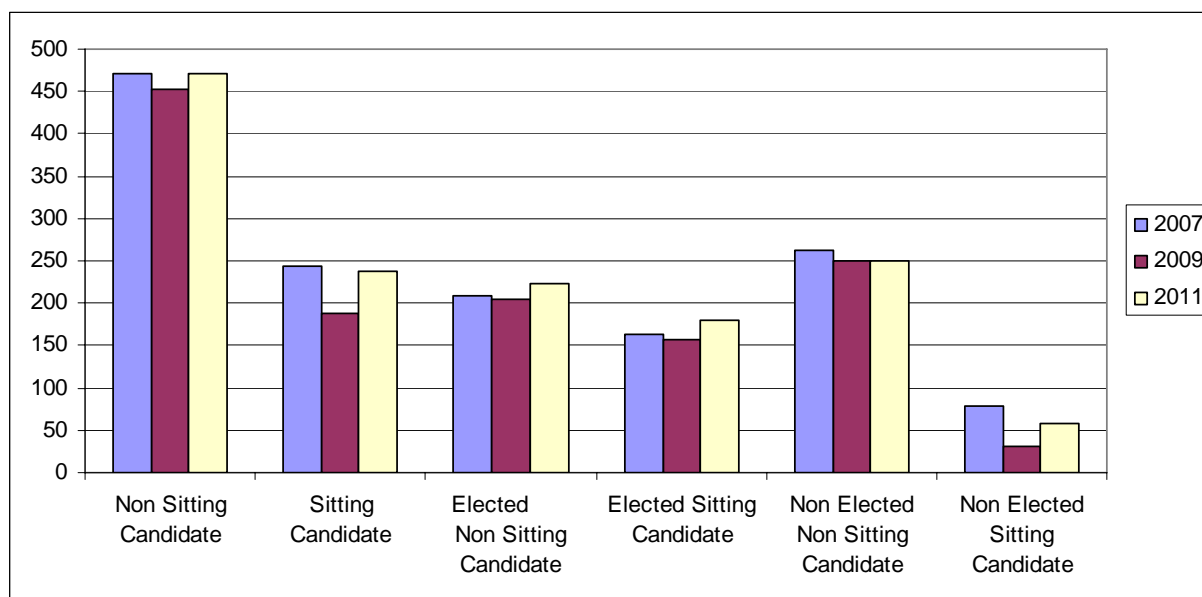


Chart 5: A Comparison of the Electoral Success of Sitting and Non Sitting Members in 2007, 2009 and 2011. Data Source: EMSWA

Candidate Statistics

The table below provides summary candidate statistics for postal voting local governments.

	Councillor	Mayor/President	Total
Vacancies	392	12	404
Vacancies Filled Unopposed	88	2	90
Vacancies Uncontested	1	0	1
Vacancies Contested	303	10	313
Total Candidates at Close of Nominations	679	31	710
Male Candidates	475	19	494
Female Candidates	204	12	216
Vacancies Elected Unopposed	88	2	90
Male Candidates Elected Unopposed	67	2	69
Female Candidates Elected Unopposed	21	0	21
Total Candidates in Contested Elections	591	29	620
Male Candidates in Contested Elections	408	17	425
Female Candidates in Contested Elections	183	12	195
Total Candidates Elected	303	10	313
Males Elected	199	6	205
Females Elected	104	4	108
Male Candidates Elected in Contested Elections	199	6	205
Female Candidates Elected in Contested Elections	104	4	108
Sitting Councillors/Mayors Re-Nominating	231	7	238
Sitting Councillors/Mayors not Re-Nominating	161	5	166
Total Sitting Councillors/Mayors Re-Elected	175	5	180
Sitting Councillors/Mayors Re-elected in Contested Elections	118	3	121
Sitting Councillors/Mayors Re-elected Unopposed	57	2	59
Sitting Councillors/Mayors not Re-elected	56	1	57

Table 2: Summary Candidate Statistics. Data Source: EMSWA

The table below provides summary candidate statistics for the two voting in person elections conducted by the Commission.

	Councillor
Vacancies	8
Vacancies Filled Unopposed	0
Vacancies Uncontested	0
Vacancies Contested	8
Total Candidates at Close of Nominations	17
Male Candidates	11
Female Candidates	6
Vacancies Elected Unopposed	0
Male Candidates Elected Unopposed	0
Female Candidates Elected Unopposed	0
Total Candidates in Contested Elections	17
Male Candidates in Contested Elections	11
Female Candidates in Contested Elections	6
Total Candidates Elected	8
Males Candidates Elected	6
Females Candidates Elected	2
Male Candidates Elected in Contested Elections	6
Female Candidates Elected in Contested Elections	2
Sitting Councillors Re-Nominating	4
Sitting Councillors not Re-Nominating	4
Total Sitting Councillors Re-Elected	3
Sitting Councillors Re-elected in Contested Elections	3
Sitting Councillors Re-elected Unopposed	0
Sitting Councillors not Re-elected	1

Table 3: Summary Candidate Statistics. Data Source: EMSWA

PARTICIPATION

Appendix 15 compares enrolment and voter participation for local governments using the postal voting method in 2009 and/or 2011.

A number of postal voting local governments recorded a decrease in their participation rate in 2011 compared to 2009. The reasons for this decrease are open to conjecture, but are largely outside the scope of this report.

The following statistics are of interest:

Number of Local Governments	Decrease in Participation %
1	12-13
1	11-12
1	10-11
1	9-10
1	8-9
1	7-8
5	6-7
3	5-6
4	4-5
6	3-4
8	2-3
2	1-2
3	Less than 1

Table 4: Decrease in participation in 2011. Data Source: EMSWA

Conversely, some postal voting local governments increased their participation in 2011, as follows:

Number of Local Governments	Increase in Participation %
2	Less than 1
3	1-2
2	2-3
4	4-5
1	6-7
1	7-8
1	8-9
2	9-10

Table 5: Increase in participation 2011. Data Source: EMSWA

Elections for mayor or president, or where an election is being held in conjunction with a referendum, have traditionally recorded higher levels of voter interest.

A comparison of local governments that elected a mayor or president in 2011 generally reflects this trend, albeit less strongly than in the past. In addition, voter participation is typically higher in country local government districts than in metropolitan districts.

Local Government	2007 Voter Participation (with Mayoral Election)	2009 Voter Participation (No Mayoral Election)	2011 Voter Participation (with Mayoral Election)
City of Albany	52.4%	42.5%	46.3%
Shire of Carnarvon	No Election	39.4%	45.6%
City of Greater Geraldton			36.3%
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	36.6%	30.5%	34.7%
City of Melville	37.6%	36.2%	34.9%
City of Nedlands	38.9%	39.5%	36.2%
City of Perth	47.8%	34.9%	44.8%
City of South Perth	31.4%	35.2%	31.5%
City of Vincent	36.7%	31.1%	38.3%
City of Wanneroo	24.3%	28.0%	24.6%

Table 6: Election of Mayor – comparison in participation.
Data Source: EMSWA

Local governments with an elector base in excess of 40,000 are compared in the following chart for postal elections in 2007 and 2009.

Local Government	2007 Voter Participation	2009 Voter Participation	2011 Voter Participation
City of Bayswater	31.7%	In Person	26.6%
City of Canning	34.9%	30.8%	28.5%
City of Cockburn	32.2%	32.9%	26.9%
City of Gosnells	26.6%	25.4%	23.9%
City of Joondalup	27.2%	26.9%	23.8%
City of Mandurah	36.0%	39.9%	34.0%
City of Melville	37.6%	36.2%	34.9%
City of Rockingham	34.5%	33.6%	31.0%
City of Stirling	29.8%	29.9%	27.7%
City of Swan	32.4%	31.9%	29.8%
City of Wanneroo	24.3%	28.0%	24.6%

Table 7: Elector base in excess of 40,000 – comparison in participation. Data Source: EMSWA

In the 2011 ordinary elections the following local governments were new to the postal voting method:

- Shire of Harvey
- Shire of Kent

- Shire of Menzies
- Town of Port Hedland

In 2011, a total of 344,799 postal voting election packages were returned. A total of 97.10% of eligible local government electors had access to the postal voting method of voting with an average participation rate of 30.94%.

Participation rates for local governments conducting voting in person elections were 22.04% in 2003, 20.28% in 2005, 25.11% in 2007, 22.38% in 2009 and 32.64% in 2011.

It should be noted that as more higher populated metropolitan local governments have adopted postal voting, the State-wide average participation rate has tended to fall. Typically elector participation is higher in smaller rural based local government districts than in more populated metropolitan districts.

A full comparison between local governments using the postal election process in 2011 and/or 2009 is at Appendix 14.

Participation Ratio for Metropolitan and Country Districts

Of the 344,799 postal votes received in 2011, 71.97% were from the metropolitan area and 28.03% were from country areas.

The City of Perth recorded the highest metropolitan participation rate in 2011 with 44.8%. This compares with the Shire of Peppermint Grove participation rate of 51.3% in 2009.

The City of Joondalup recorded the lowest metropolitan participation rate in 2011 with 23.8%. This compares with the City of Gosnells participation rate of 25.4% in 2009.

Participation Rates for Metropolitan Local Governments

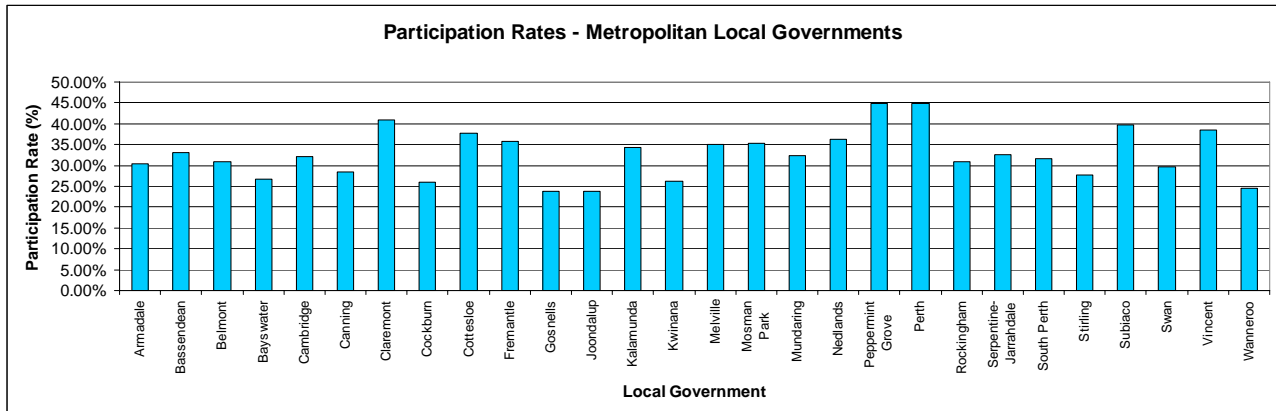


Chart 6: Participation Rate – Metropolitan Local Governments. Data Source: EMSWA

The Shire of Ravensthorpe recorded the highest participation rate (69.40%) for country local governments in 2011. This compares with the Shire of Shark Bay which had a participation rate of 65.7% in 2009.

The Shire of East Pilbara recorded the lowest participation rate (27.0%) for country local government elections in 2011. This compares with the Shire of Roebourne which had a participation rate of 30.2% in 2009.

Participation Rates for Country Local Governments

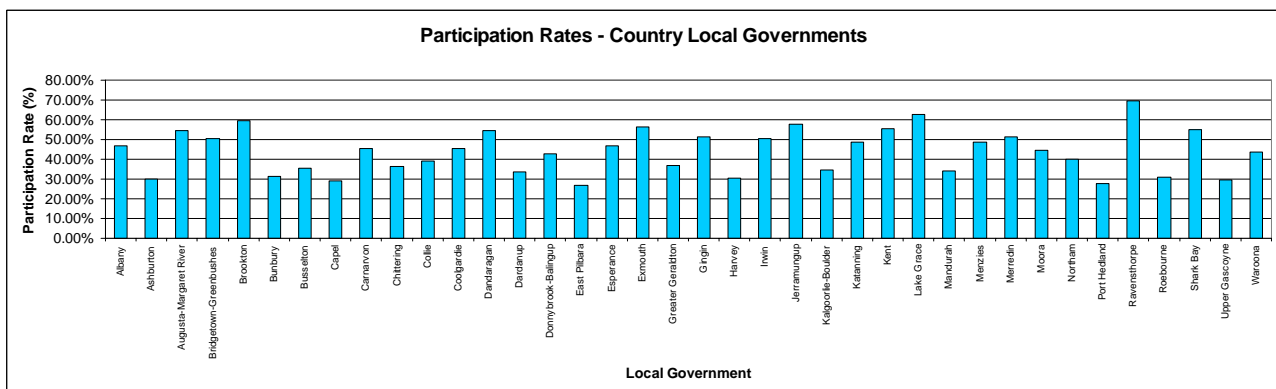


Chart 7: Participation Rate – Country Local Governments. Data Source: EMSWA

Age of Electors and Voters

The Commission uses six age groups for comparison purposes. Following the introduction of postal voting and the availability of data, it is now possible to ascertain the emergence of trends in enrolment and voting.

In 2011 postal voting recorded the lowest voter participation (%) when compared to enrolment in the following age groups:

- 25-34
- 18-24

In 2009, the same trend was evident.

The highest voter participation (%) when compared to enrolment at both the 2011 and 2009 elections was recorded for the following age groups:

- 55-64
- 65+

At all postal elections conducted by the Commission since 1999 it has been apparent that younger electors are less inclined to vote at local government elections than those aged 45 and over. This is a matter that local governments may wish to address with a view to seeking greater involvement of the whole community in elections.

A summary of the data in Appendix 6 shows the actual number of electors and voters by age group.

Age and Gender of Electors and Voters

Gender was represented almost equally on the electoral roll for the 2011 elections, where women accounted for 51.43% of electors and 52.40% of voters. Men accounted for 48.57% of electors and 47.1% of voters. The ratios were similar in 2009.

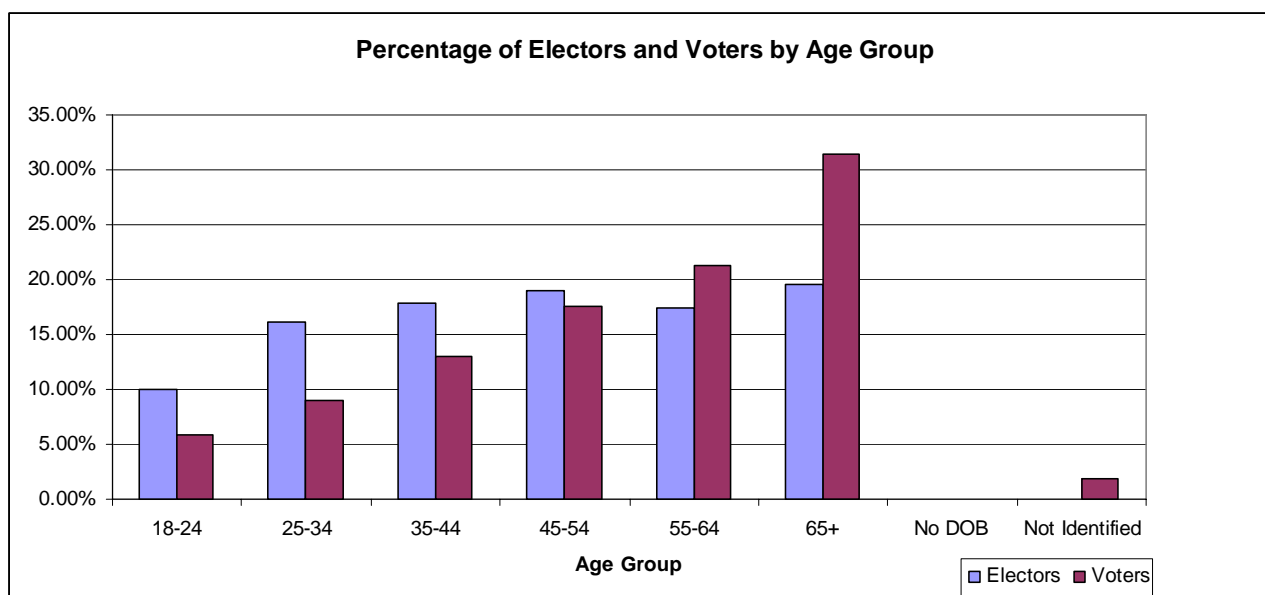


Chart 8: Percentage of Electors and Voters by Age Group. Data Source: EMSWA

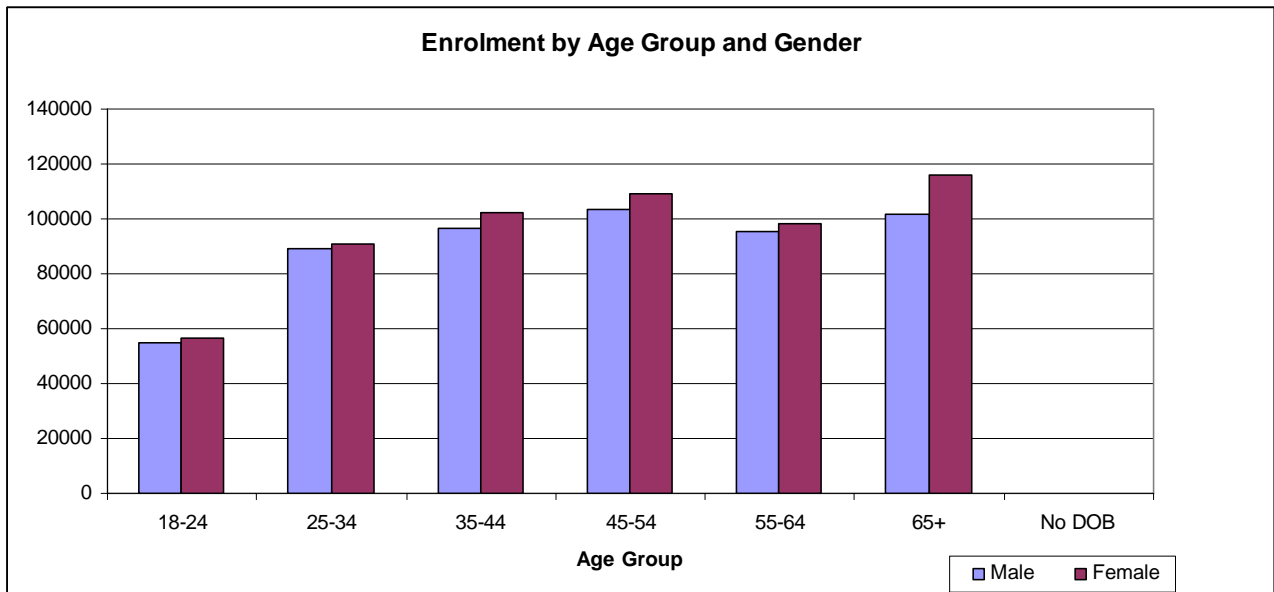


Chart 9: Enrolment by Age Group and Gender. (Note: Includes electors whose date of birth was not supplied.) Data Source: EMSWA

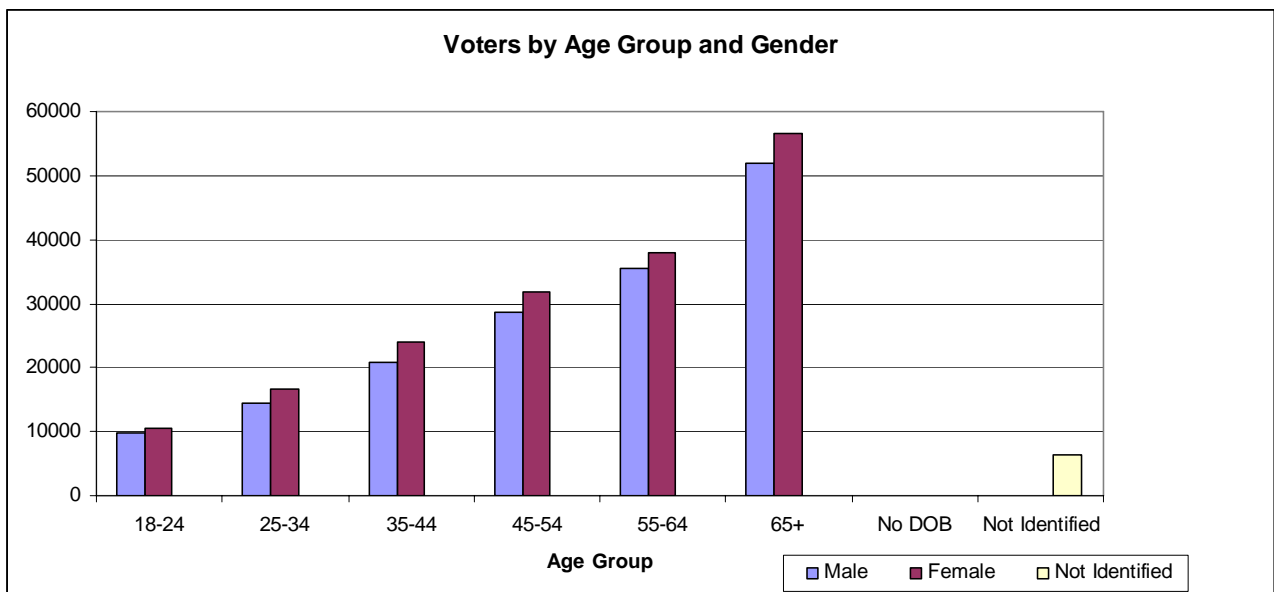


Chart 10: Voters by Age Group and Gender. (Note: Includes electors whose date of birth was not supplied.) Data Source: EMSWA

A summary of the data is shown in Appendix 7.

Age and Location of Electors and Voters

Whilst the majority of electors are from metropolitan local governments, the country and outer metropolitan areas make up the majority of local government districts.

Metropolitan districts are identified with the post codes 6000 to 6199 and 6800 to 6999. Outer metropolitan districts such as Mandurah and Serpentine-Jarrahdale are outside this postcode range.

In 2011, 66 local governments held contested postal elections, with 28 from the metropolitan area and 38 from country and outer metropolitan areas.

Of the total number of enrolled electors, 76.67% were from the metropolitan area. The majority were in age groups 45-54 and 65+. In addition, 71.97% of all postal voters originated in the metropolitan area, with the majority in age groups 55-64 and 65+. This is illustrated by Chart 11 below.

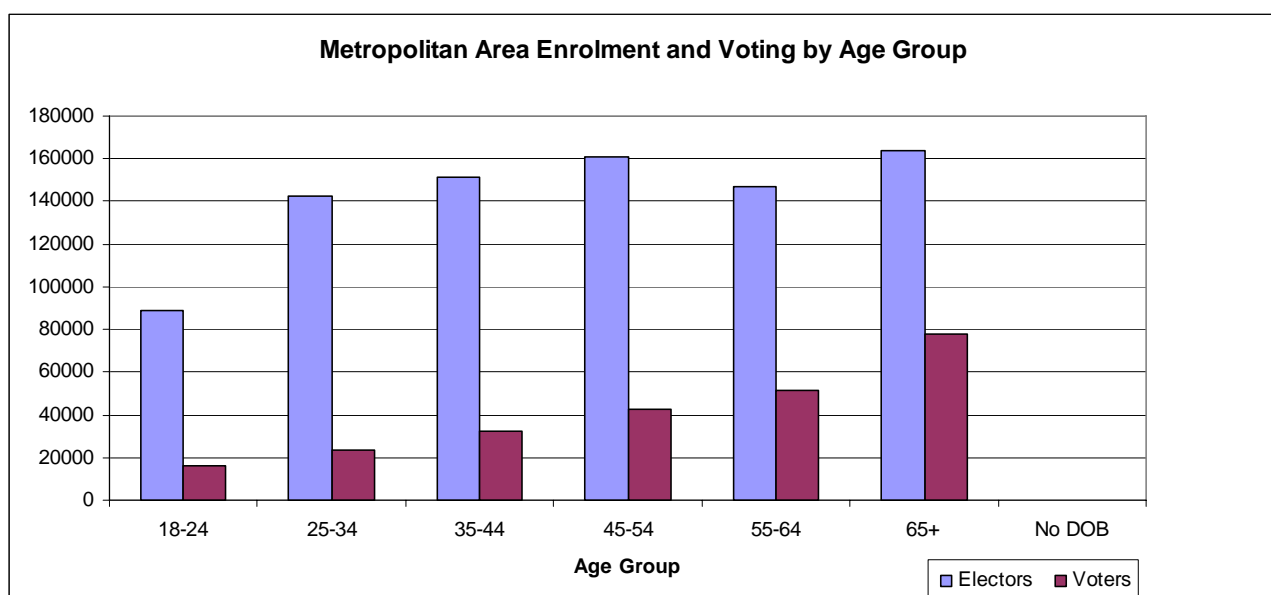


Chart 11: Enrolment and Voting in the Metropolitan Area. (Note: Includes voters whose date of birth was not supplied.) Data Source: EMSWA

The 2011 elector and voter trends for metropolitan postal voting local government elections was similar to those in 2009.

In 2009, postal elections were held by 59 local governments, 28 from the metropolitan area and 31 from country and outer-metropolitan areas. Metropolitan-based enrolled electors represented 79.90% of all postal electors, with the majority in age groups 45-54 and 65+. Metropolitan-based voters accounted for 76.26% of all postal voters with the majority in age groups 55-64 and 65+.

Some country districts have metropolitan residents on their owners and occupiers rolls. Their participation has been analysed in the individual reports sent to each local government.

Appendix 8 shows the actual number of electors and voters by age group and location.

In country-based local government elections in 2011, enrolled electors accounted for 23.33% of all electors, with the majority in age groups 45-54 and 65+. Country-based postal voters accounted for 28.03% of all postal voters, with the majority in age groups 55-64 and 65+. This is illustrated by Chart 12.

Again, the 2011 elector and voter trend for country postal voting local governments was similar to that of 2009.

In 2009 country-based enrolled electors made up 21.37% of all electors with the majority in age groups 45-54 and 65+. Country-based voters

accounted for 25.34% of all postal voters, with the majority in age groups 55–64 and 65+.

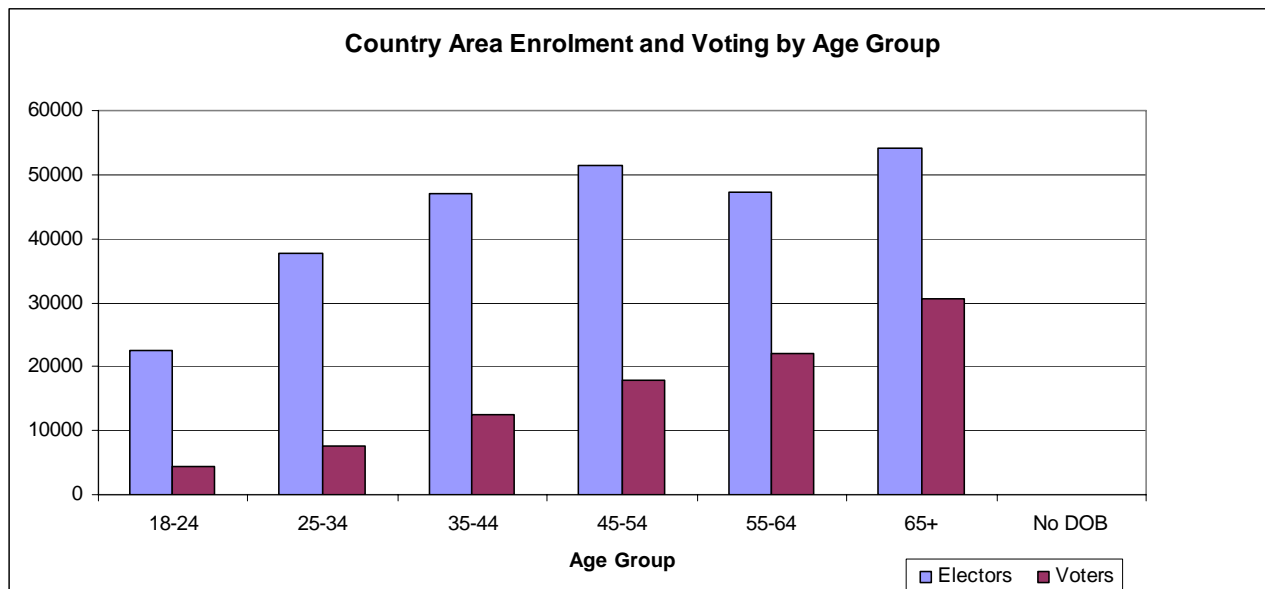


Chart 12: Enrolment and Voting in the Country. (Note: Includes voters whose date of birth was not supplied.) Data Source: EMSWA

Country electors continued to vote at higher levels in proportion to enrolment numbers than did metropolitan electors. This is illustrated by Chart 13.

In 2009, 31.21% of eligible metropolitan electors actually voted, while in the country, 38.60% of eligible electors voted.

In 2011, only 28.52% of eligible metropolitan electors actually voted, while in the country 36.51% of eligible electors voted.

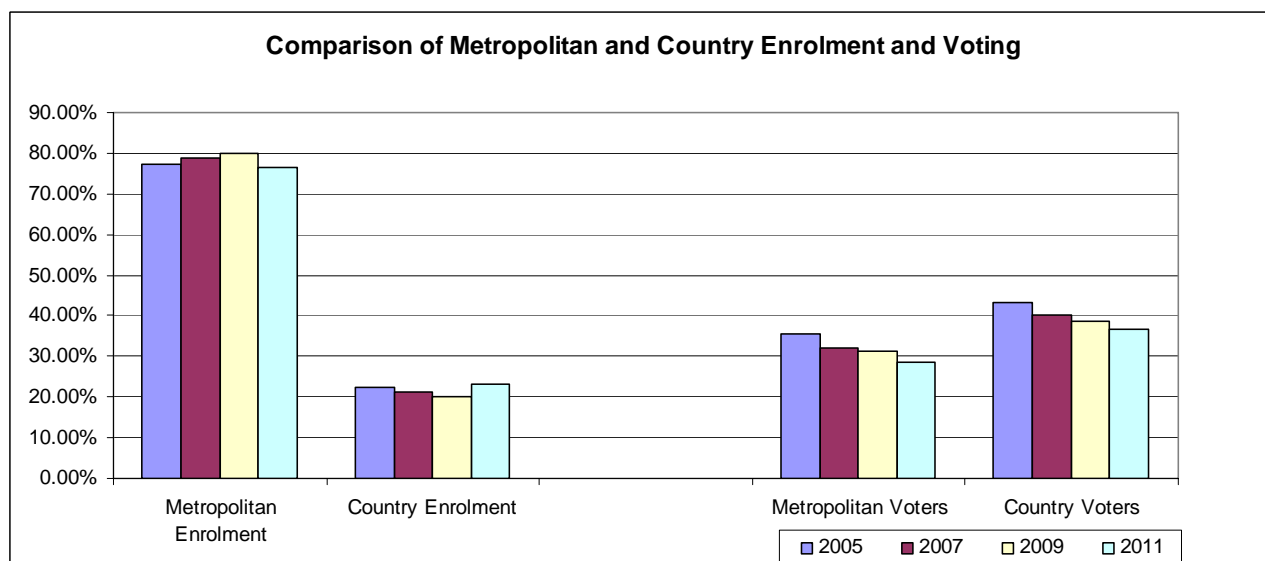


Chart 13: Metropolitan Enrolment and Voting Compared with Country Enrolment and Voting. Data Source: EMSWA

Electors and Voters by Enrolment Type

Both eligible residents and owners and occupiers are able to vote at local government elections.

A resident is a person who is enrolled as an elector on the State electoral roll for a residence in the local government district by the date of roll close for the election.

Non-resident owners of rateable property, who live outside the local government district, must be enrolled on the State or Commonwealth roll and must have completed an *Enrolment Eligibility Claim* form and lodged it with the Chief Executive Officer of the local government by the date of roll close.

Non-resident occupiers with a right of continuous occupation of rateable property under a lease, tenancy agreement or other legal instrument may also apply for enrolment. The right of continuous occupation must extend for a period of at least three months at the time the person claims enrolment.

A total of 1,114,275 electors were sent a postal voting election package in 2011. Of this number, 98.62% were resident electors and 1.38% owners and occupiers.

In 2009, 1,084,504 electors were sent a postal voting election package, 98.43% were resident electors and 1.57% owners and occupiers.

A summary of the data in Appendix 9 shows the actual number of electors and voters by age group and enrolment type.

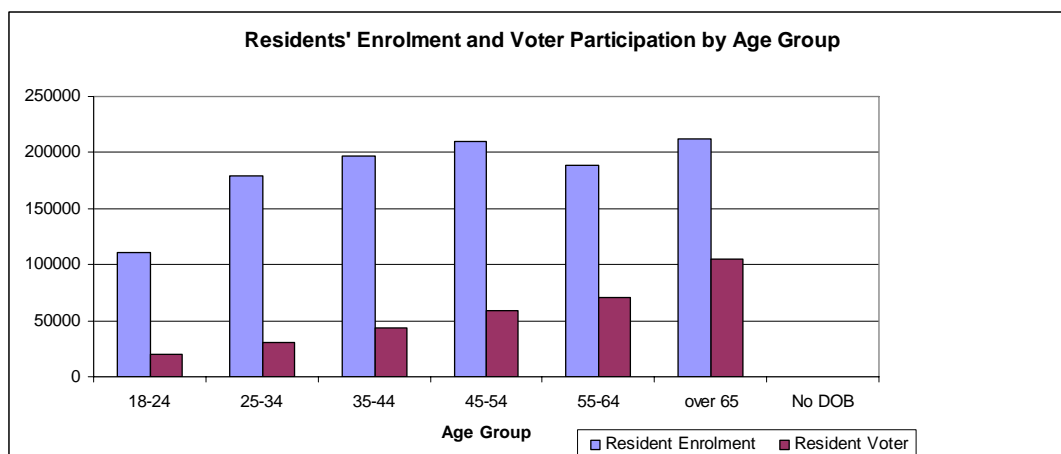


Chart 14: Residents' Enrolment and Voter Participation. (Note: Includes electors whose date of birth was not supplied.) Data Source: EMSWA

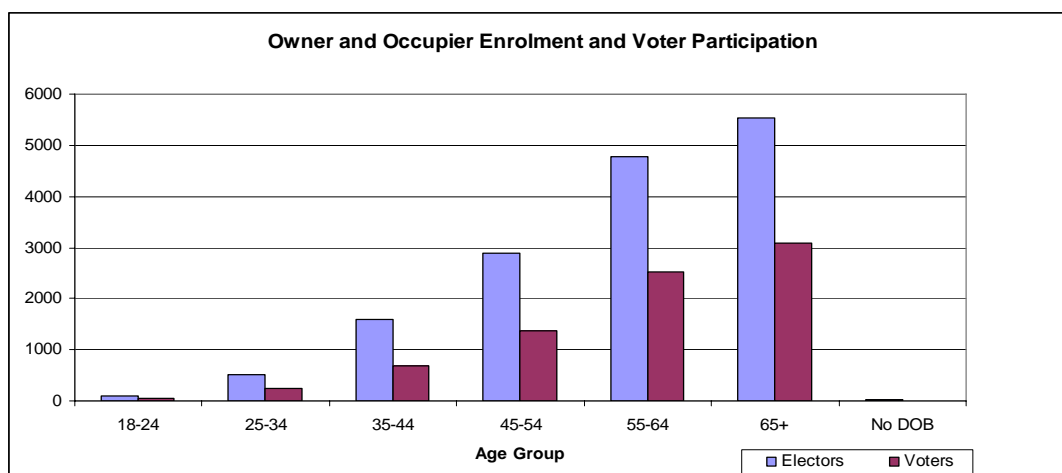


Chart 15: Owner and Occupier Enrolment and Voter Participation. (Note: Includes electors whose date of birth was not supplied.) Data Source: EMSWA

Comparison of Participation in Postal and Voting in Person Elections

There were 74 local governments participating in postal voting elections in 2011 serving 95% of eligible electors on the roll. Of the total number of electors who voted in the 2011 elections, postal voters accounted for 97%.

This compared to 69 local governments in 2009, serving 90% of electors on the roll and with postal voters accounting for 94.21% of all persons who voted at the elections.

The following table provides a comparison between postal and voting in person elections in 2011.

2011 Local Government Ordinary Elections	Postal	% of Total	In-person	% of Total
Districts participating	74	54.0%	63	46.0%
Total no. of vacancies	392	59.3%	269	40.7%
No. of vacancies uncontested (no candidates)	1	7.7%	12	92.3%
No. of vacancies with candidates elected unopposed	88	36.4%	154	63.6%
Total no. of vacancies contested	303	74.6%	103	25.4%
Number of electors in contested elections	1,114,275	97.1%	32,834	2.9%
Number of voters	344,799	97.0%	10,718	3.0%

Table 8: Summary of Participation in 2011 Local Government Elections. Total does not include Referendum or Mayoral figures, except in wards where there was a Mayoral election only (i.e. no contest for council vacancies) to avoid double counting of electors or voters. Data Source for Voting in person elections: Department of Local Government.

Postal Election Participation

Voter participation needs to be understood in the context of the number of electors and vacancies to be filled.

As indicated previously in this report, all large local governments, particularly in the metropolitan area, use postal voting and their sheer size affects the State-wide average. Larger local governments generally have lower voter participation. This has the effect of lowering the State-wide average participation rate for postal elections.

In 2011, 74 local governments used the postal voting method. Of these 66 local governments comprising 1,114,275 electors proceeded to an election and achieved an average participation of 30.94% (344,799 voters). The participation rate

varies considerably, however, when one examines the elector base of different local governments.

The postal voting participation rate for various local governments by elector base is illustrated in Table 9 and Chart 16 overleaf. It can be seen that the most populated local governments typically have the lowest elector participation rates and have a significant impact on the State-wide average.

Elector Base	No. of Local Governments	Total Number of Enrolled Electors	Electors in Contested Wards	Voters	Average Participation Rate
0-300	2	465	465	188	40.43%
301-999	7	4,829	2,341	1,341	57.28%
1,000-2,499	13	23,230	20,881	9,908	47.45%
2,500-4,999	8	26,175	15,403	6,514	42.29%
5,000-9,999	13	96,921	74,740	27,183	36.37%
10,000-19,999	12	183,430	136,901	47,425	34.64%
20,000-29,999	6	138,863	133,180	47,471	35.64%
30,000-39,999	2	73,441	41,402	12,905	31.17%
40,000-49,999	2	86,221	86,221	26,342	30.55%
50,000-59,999	4	215,464	178,122	51,453	28.89%
60,000 plus	5	443,484	424,619	114,069	26.86%
Total	74	1,292,523	1,114,275	344,799	30.94%

Table 9: Summary of electors and voters by group of postal voting local governments. Data Source: EMSWA

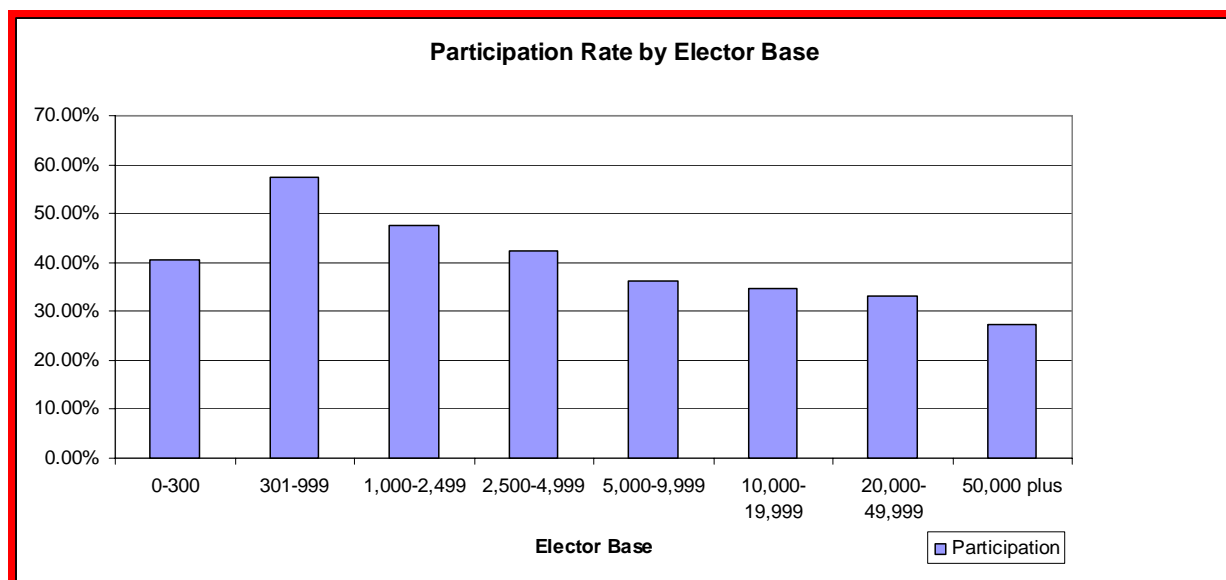


Chart 16: Voter Participation, Postal local governments according to elector base. Data Source: EMSWA

Voting In Person Election Participation

Appendix 16 indicates the average participation rate for voting in person local government elections in 2011.

Of the 63 local governments opting for an in person election, only one was located within the metropolitan area (i.e. Town of East Fremantle) and only 29 proceeded to election. The 29 that proceeded to election comprised a total of 32,834 electors, of which 10,718 voted; giving an average participation rate of 32.64%.

As with postal elections, participation rates vary considerably and there is a close correlation with the size of the elector base.

The participation rate for voting in person elections for various local governments by elector base is illustrated in Table 10 and Chart 17 overleaf.

Elector Base	No. of Local Governments	Total Number of Enrolled Electors	Electors in Contested Wards	Voters	Average Participation Rate
0-300	9	1,731	363	180	49.59%
301-999	40	24,361	10,843	4,081	37.64%
1,000-2,499	8	14,033	4,686	1,690	36.06%
2,500-4,999	5	19,979	9,149	1,834	20.05%
5,000-9,999	1	7,793	7,793	2,933	37.64%
Total	63	67,897	32,834	10,718	32.64%

Table 10: Summary of electors and voters by elector base group for voting in person local governments.
Data Source: Department of Local Government.

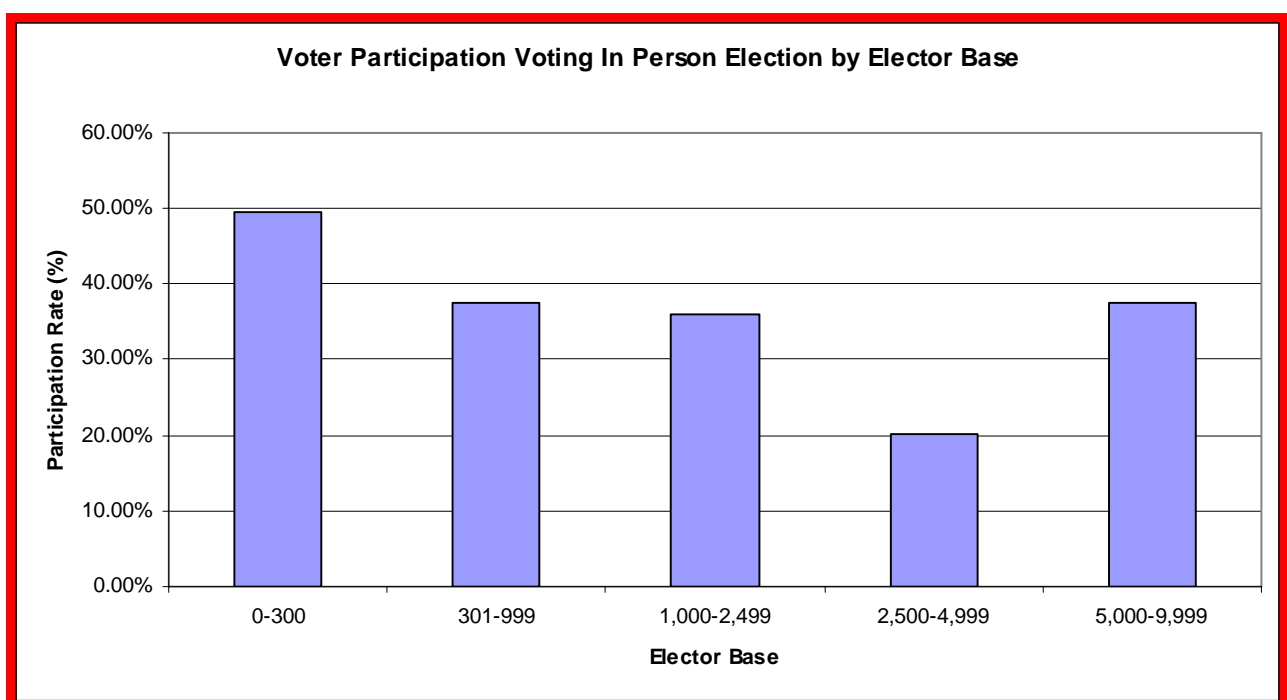


Chart 17: Voter Participation, voting in person local governments according to elector base. Data Source: Department of Local Government.

Participation Comparison of Elector Bases across all Local Governments

While elector participation is generally higher for local governments with smaller elector bases, it is also evident that postal elections typically result in higher participation rates than in person elections – except for those local governments with an elector base of less than 300.

Historically, large metropolitan local governments would often record a participation rate of less than 10% when utilising in person ballots.

The foregoing information is illustrated in Table 11.

Elector Base	Participation %		No. of Local Governments	
	Postal	Voting In Person	Postal	Voting In Person
0-300	40.43%	49.59%	2	9
301-999	57.31%	37.64%	7	40
1,000-2,499	47.49%	36.06%	13	8
2,500-4,999	42.31%	20.05%	8	5
5,000-9,999	36.38%	37.64%	13	1
10,000-19,999	34.65%		12	
20,000-29,999	35.66%		6	
30,000-39,999	31.17%		2	
40,000-49,999	30.55%		2	
50,000-59,999	28.89%		4	
60,000 plus	26.87%		5	
Total			74	63

Table 11: Summary comparison of voter participation, voting in person and postal according to elector base. Data Source: EMSWA

Elector Participation Over Six Ordinary Postal Elections

It is evident that voter interest in local government elections in both the metropolitan and country areas has slowly declined over the last six ordinary postal elections. Individual local governments still experience fluctuations where there are elections that generate special interest from the community such as the election of a mayor or the conjoint

conduct of a referendum on an important local issue.

As indicated previously, the size of a local government's elector base is one of the prime determinants of likely elector participation. Nevertheless, it is open to debate as to the other possible reasons why elector participation appears to be declining.

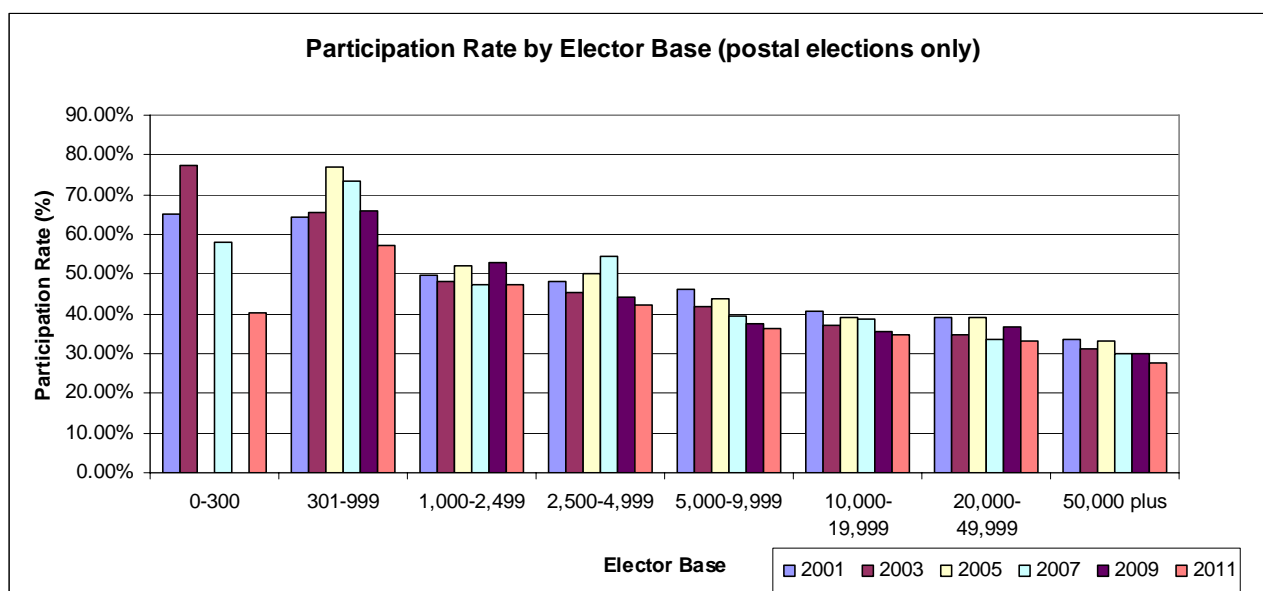


Chart 18: Postal election participation over six ordinary elections by size of elector base. Data Source: EMSWA

MAIL

Late Mail

Unfortunately, as is normally the case, some electors did not return their completed package in time for them to be included in the count. Late mail details for each local government are shown at Appendix 13.

The Commission endeavoured to minimise late mail by arranging a special delivery through Australia Post on the morning of election day, as well as including relevant messages in the election package and in advertising and media releases.

Voters also had the option of returning their completed package by hand to their local government's polling place(s) by 6.00 pm on election day.

Unclaimed Mail

If an elector was no longer at the address shown on the roll, the Commission attempted to direct the election package to another address if this had changed since the date of roll close.

There were 22,243 election packages returned as unclaimed mail in 2011, representing 2.00% of packages dispatched. This compared with 21,483 in 2009 or 1.98% of packages dispatched.

Following the election, the Commission collated unclaimed packages by local government district.

Mail not claimed by owners and occupiers was forwarded to each local government so steps could be taken to update the owners and occupiers roll.

Mail not claimed by residents on the roll was forwarded to the AEC to verify an ongoing entitlement to be enrolled. If this entitlement no longer existed, the process to have their names removed from the roll will be commenced.

Unclaimed mail details for each local government are shown at Appendix 14.

COSTS

At the October 2011 postal elections the average cost per elector increased by 6% to \$2.71 in comparison to the 2009 elections. This was mainly due to a postage rate increase of 15% and an 8% increase in staff pay rates.

The Commission is required to conduct local government elections on a full accrual cost recovery basis under the *Local Government Act 1995*. Whilst cost estimates are provided prior to the election, the actual cost incurred must be passed on. The estimates include approximations of the number of candidates, electors, advertising, mailing, staffing requirements and so on, but excludes costs for additional items such as localised advertising that might be requested by individual local governments.

Once final costs are known after the elections, each local government client is sent an invoice and a summary of the cost break-down.

Election costs can be classified as either direct costs attributed to a specific local government (e.g. local advertising costs and returning officer fees) or those costs that are shared and assigned to each local government on a pro-rata basis depending on the number of electors (e.g. combined statutory advertising and the cost of operating the central processing centre).

Smaller local governments are more affected by direct fixed costs, such as fees paid to returning officers and advertising. If the costs are apportioned per elector, they can appear to be quite high. Conversely, smaller local governments benefit from the sharing of indirect costs when they are apportioned over a large elector base.

While the larger local governments are still affected by direct fixed costs, the cost per elector is relatively low due to the larger elector base that costs are apportioned over.

Clearly the scale of an election will impact on cost. The smallest election conducted by the Commission was the Shire of Upper Gascoyne with 201 electors. The largest was the City of Stirling with 126,720 electors.

Since conducting the first local government postal elections in the 1990s, the Commission has strived to keep costs to a minimum and has introduced a number of initiatives aimed at streamlining processes or reducing election package production costs.

Some of the strategies employed in 2011 to help keep costs to a minimum were:

- competitive tendering for services such as printing and package compilation
- clever election package design
- pooling of work to ensure economies of scale in printing, postage and production of election packages
- use of online staff training modules
- centralised processing of returned packages
- increased use of technological efficiencies.

The Commission has been successful in constraining the cost paid by local governments for postal elections over the past decade. This is demonstrated by the fact that in 2003 the State-wide average cost per elector at postal elections run by the Commission was \$2.73. At the 2011 elections the average cost per elector was still only \$2.71, despite CPI rises and increases in postage and labour costs. As suggested above, increasing economies of scale and the adoption of various efficiency innovations have enabled postal election cost increases to be kept to a minimum.

FUTURE DIRECTIONS

At the October 2011 local government elections the Commission managed the highest number of ordinary elections it has conducted to date – 76 in total involving some 95% of the State's eligible electors.

These elections were generally very well managed and effectively filled all but one of the 412 vacancies up for election.

Nevertheless, there are several matters that are of concern to the Commission and these have been raised with the Department of Local Government and some other key stakeholders.

- Section 4.88 of the *Local Government Act 1995* deals with misleading, false or defamatory statements expressed during an election. The Commission has received a legal opinion indicating that because of recent changes in State legislation as well as case law on these matters, the courts are likely to view this section of the Act as infringing the Constitutional limitation against laws burdening communications about government and political matters.

From an operational perspective, as presently worded this section of the Act causes confusion for candidates and sitting councillors and creates unrealistic expectations of what the Electoral Commissioner can do to resolve complaints made.

- Local government boundary changes continue to occur in close proximity to the close of rolls and should be scheduled earlier so as to allow for more careful application of new boundaries to existing rolls. At present, enquires about possible boundary changes are often received in June/July, even though the roll close occurs in August.
- This report highlights the problem of declining elector participation rates at local government elections in general. While postal elections are still typically recording higher participation rates than in person ballots, the average State-wide participation rate for postal elections is now close to 30%.

Low elector participation rates raise questions such as the legitimacy of an elected council and the extent to which a council represents all demographic sectors of a community.

The Commission believes it is important that the issue of declining participation rates be thoroughly researched and examined, with the aim of putting in place sector-wide strategies to reverse the current trend.

Appendix 1 – 2011 Local Government Ordinary Election Timeline

Days to Polling Day	Local Government Act	References to Act/Regs	Day	Date
80	Last day for agreement of Electoral Commissioner to conduct postal election.	LGA 4.20 (2)(3)(4)	Wed	27/07/2011
80	A decision made to conduct the election as a postal election cannot be rescinded after the 80th day.	LGA 4.61(5)	Wed	27/07/2011
70	Electoral Commissioner to appoint a person to be the Returning Officer of the Local Government for the election.	LGA 4.20 (4)	Sat	6/08/2011
70 to 56	Between the 70th/56th day the CEO is to give Statewide public notice of the time and date of close of enrolments. Preferred date Wednesday 10 August 2011	LGA 4.39(2)	Sat to Sat	6/08/2011 to 20/08/2011
56	Advertising may begin for nominations from 56 days and no later than 45 days before election day. Preferred date Wednesday 24 August 2011	LGA 4.47(1)	Sat	20/08/2011
56	Last day for the CEO to advise the Electoral Commissioner of the need to prepare a residents roll.	LGA 4.40(1)		20/08/2011
50	Close roll 5.00 pm	LGA 4.39(1)	Fri	26/08/2011
45	Last day for advertisement to be placed calling for nominations.	LGA 4.47(1)	Wed	31/08/2011
44	Nominations Open First day for candidates to lodge completed nomination paper, in the prescribed form, with the Returning Officer. Nominations period is open for 8 days.	LGA 4.49(a)	Thu	1/09/2011
38	If a candidate's nomination is withdrawn not later than 4.00 pm on the 38th day before election day, the candidate's deposit is to be refunded.	Reg. 27(5)	Wed	7/09/2011
37	Close of Nominations 4.00 pm on the 37th day before election day.	LGA 4.49(a)	Thu	8/09/2011
36	CEO to prepare an owners & occupiers roll for the election. Electoral Commissioner to prepare residents roll.	LGA 4.41(1) LGA 4.40(2)	Fri	9/09/2011
30	Lodgement of Country election packages with Australia Post. Commencing		Thu	15/09/2011
25	Lodgement of Metropolitan election packages with Australia Post. Commencing		Tue	20/09/2011
22	The preparation of any consolidated roll under subregulation (1) be completed on or before 22nd day before election day.	Reg. 18(2)	Fri	23/09/2011
19	Last day for the Returning Officer to give Statewide public notice of the election. Preferred date Wednesday 14 September 2011	LGA 4.64(1)	Mon	26/09/2011
19	Commence processing returned election packages	Approx	Mon	26/09/2011
0	Election Day Close of poll 6.00 pm	LGA 4.7	Sat	15/10/2011

Post Election Day	Post Declaration	References to Act/Regs		Date
4	Election result advertisement.	LGA 4.77	Wed	19/10/2011
14	Report to Minister. The report relating to an election under section 4.79 is to be provided to the Minister within 14 days after the declaration of the result of the election.	Reg.81	Sat	29/10/2011
28	An invalidity complaint is to be made to a Court of Disputed Returns, constituted by a magistrate, but can only be made within 28 days after notice is given of the result of the election.	LGA 4.81(1)	Sat	12/11/2011

Appendix 2 – Reasons for Rejection of Voter Packages

District	Declaration Not Signed	Declaration Missing	Other	Total
City of Albany	170	180	8	358
City of Armadale	259	186	14	459
Shire of Ashburton	8	17	1	26
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	27	18	3	48
Town of Bassendean	67	62	2	131
City of Bayswater	302	215	7	524
City of Belmont	70	39	1	110
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	27	25	0	52
Shire of Brookton	10	17	0	27
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup	0	0	0	0
City of Bunbury	168	126	3	297
Shire of Busselton	141	87	0	228
Town of Cambridge	53	46	2	101
City of Canning	309	222	12	543
Shire of Capel	35	8	0	43
Shire of Carnarvon	41	23	0	64
Shire of Chittering	26	19	1	46
Town of Claremont	38	24	2	64
City of Cockburn	444	278	13	735
Shire of Collie	66	41	1	108
Shire of Coolgardie	20	16	1	37
Shire of Coorow	0	0	0	0
Town of Cottesloe	14	13	0	27
Shire of Dandaragan	22	23	2	47
Shire of Dardanup	61	44	1	106
Shire of Denmark	0	0	0	0
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	26	25	0	51
Shire of East Pilbara	11	14	0	25
Shire of Esperance	90	89	1	180
Shire of Exmouth	7	11	0	18
City of Fremantle	87	31	8	126
Shire of Gingin	4	3	0	7
City of Gosnells	397	236	6	639
City of Greater Geraldton	208	51	3	262
Shire of Harvey	92	87	5	184
Shire of Irwin	22	24	1	47
Shire of Jerramungup	8	10	0	18
City of Joondalup	453	338	18	809
Shire of Kalamunda	64	29	2	95
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	119	112	1	232
Shire of Katanning	16	32	0	48
Shire of Kent	3	4	0	7
Town of Kwinana	113	96	5	214
Shire of Lake Grace	3	3	1	7
City of Mandurah	411	326	18	755
City of Melville	498	408	21	927
Shire of Menzies	0	1	0	1
Shire of Merredin	22	24	0	46
Shire of Moora	15	9	2	26
Town of Mosman Park	48	32	1	81
Shire of Mundaring	131	105	4	240
Shire of Murray	0	0	0	0
City of Nedlands	78	82	1	161
Shire of Northam	41	28	1	70
Shire of Peppermint Grove	10	9	0	19

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City of Perth	67	65	3	135
Shire of Plantagenet	0	0	0	0
Town of Port Hedland	34	30	0	64
Shire of Ravensthorpe	9	5	0	14
City of Rockingham	437	264	10	711
Shire of Roebourne	46	32	0	78
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	64	46	5	115
Shire of Shark Bay	7	6	0	13
City of South Perth	160	168	10	338
City of Stirling	1016	775	26	1817
City of Subiaco	85	78	5	168
City of Swan	152	142	2	296
Shire of Upper Gascoyne	3	3	0	6
Town of Victoria Park	0	0	0	0
City of Vincent	149	127	10	286
City of Wanneroo	499	539	14	1052
Shire of Waroona	22	32	1	55
Shire of West Arthur	0	0	0	0
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	8,105	6,260	259	14,624

Appendix 3 – Enrolment and Voter Participation

District	Enrolment ¹	Voter Participation ²	Percentage Participation
City of Albany	23,610	10,930	46.3%
City of Armadale	32,636	9,892	30.3%
Shire of Ashburton	1,953	590	30.2%
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	2,470	1,350	54.7%
Town of Bassendean	9,634	3,178	33.0%
City of Bayswater	40,076	10,665	26.6%
City of Belmont	6,572	2,028	30.9%
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	3,158	1,589	50.3%
Shire of Brookton	689	411	59.7%
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup		No election	
City of Bunbury	20,896	6,507	31.1%
Shire of Busselton	21,124	7,498	35.5%
Town of Cambridge	8,394	2,701	32.2%
City of Canning	50,346	14,368	28.5%
Shire of Capel	8,420	2,461	29.2%
Shire of Carnarvon	3,140	1,431	45.6%
Shire of Chittering	2,948	1,067	36.2%
Town of Claremont	6,561	2,637	40.2%
City of Cockburn	56,277	15,159	26.9%
Shire of Collie	5,862	2,300	39.2%
Shire of Coolgardie	1,646	755	45.9%
Shire of Coorow		No election	
Town of Cottesloe	2,542	962	37.8%
Shire of Dandaragan	2,339	1,273	54.4%
Shire of Dardanup	7,927	2,656	33.5%
Shire of Denmark		No election	
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	3,746	1,601	42.7%
Shire of East Pilbara	2,348	633	27.0%
Shire of Esperance	8,664	4,071	47.0%
Shire of Exmouth	1,534	864	56.3%
City of Fremantle	9,613	3,449	35.9%
Shire of Gingin	458	233	50.9%
City of Gosnells	61,081	14,572	23.9%
City of Greater Geraldton	22,858	8,300	36.3%
Shire of Harvey	15,015	4,587	30.5%
Shire of Irwin	2,401	1,213	50.5%
Shire of Jerramungup	727	419	57.6%
City of Joondalup	86,090	20,502	23.8%
Shire of Kalamunda	8,766	3,013	34.4%
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	15,514	5,390	34.7%
Shire of Katanning	2,440	1,187	48.6%
Shire of Kent	444	247	55.6%
Town of Kwinana	15,578	4,088	26.2%
Shire of Lake Grace	466	293	62.9%
City of Mandurah	46,145	15,677	34.0%
City of Melville	66,676	23,278	34.9%
Shire of Menzies	264	129	48.9%
Shire of Merredin	2,034	1,042	51.2%
Shire of Moora	1,566	701	44.8%
Town of Mosman Park	5,656	1,997	35.3%
Shire of Mundaring	19,013	6,139	32.3%
Shire of Murray		No election	
City of Nedlands	14,229	5,146	36.2%
Shire of Northam	5,203	2,085	40.1%
Shire of Peppermint Grove	1,070	479	44.8%

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City of Perth	10,230	4,584	44.8%
Shire of Plantagenet		No election	
Town of Port Hedland	5,546	1,544	27.8%
Shire of Ravensthorpe	556	386	69.4%
City of Rockingham	52,278	16,208	31.0%
Shire of Roebourne	6,255	1,942	31.0%
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	10,726	3,505	32.7%
Shire of Shark Bay	481	264	54.9%
City of South Perth	25,679	8,097	31.5%
City of Stirling	126,920	35,131	27.7%
City of Subiaco	11,196	4,343	38.8%
City of Swan	19,221	5,718	29.7%
Shire of Upper Gascoyne	201	59	29.4%
Town of Victoria Park		No election	
City of Vincent	19,834	7,604	38.3%
City of Wanneroo	83,852	20,586	24.6%
Shire of Waroona	2,481	1,082	43.6%
Shire of West Arthur		No election	
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu		No election	
TOTAL	1,114,275	344,799	30.9%

¹ Enrolment – Elector figures for contested elections

² The voter participation consists of the number of returned voting packages.

Appendix 4 – Replacement and Provisional Votes Issued

District	Replacement Votes	Provisional Votes
City of Albany	130	13
City of Armadale	47	0
Shire of Ashburton	31	3
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	13	0
Town of Bassendean	29	0
City of Bayswater	236	0
City of Belmont	9	1
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	31	0
Shire of Brookton	1	0
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup*		
City of Bunbury	46	0
Shire of Busselton	58	0
Town of Cambridge	16	0
City of Canning	35	2
Shire of Capel	10	0
Shire of Carnarvon	36	1
Shire of Chittering	26	1
Town of Claremont	23	2
City of Cockburn	16	0
Shire of Collie	10	0
Shire of Coolgardie	50	3
Shire of Coorow*		
Town of Cottesloe	36	19
Shire of Dandaragan	27	0
Shire of Dardanup	17	0
Shire of Denmark*		
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	22	0
Shire of East Pilbara	10	0
Shire of Esperance	89	0
Shire of Exmouth	19	0
City of Fremantle	54	0
City of Greater Geraldton	120	6
Shire of Gingin	0	0
City of Gosnells	81	4
Shire of Harvey	44	17
Shire of Irwin	34	3
Shire of Jerramungup	14	0
City of Joondalup	16	0
Shire of Kalamunda	28	6
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	97	3
Shire of Kent	7	0
Shire of Katanning	21	0
Town of Kwinana	33	0
Shire of Lake Grace	1	1
City of Mandurah	74	1
City of Melville	112	5
Shire of Menzies	1	1
Shire of Merredin	56	10
Shire of Moora	37	0
Town of Mosman Park	31	0
Shire of Mundaring	127	0
Shire of Murray*		
City of Nedlands	97	0
Shire of Northam	31	0
Shire of Peppermint Grove	6	0
City of Perth	162	27
Shire of Plantagenet*		

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Town of Port Hedland	119	0
Shire of Ravensthorpe	16	1
City of Rockingham	40	0
Shire of Roebourne	44	0
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	32	8
Shire of Shark Bay	12	1
City of South Perth	81	0
City of Stirling	96	8
City of Subiaco	100	2
City of Swan	30	2
Shire of Upper Gascoyne	0	0
Town of Victoria Park*		
City of Vincent	89	3
City of Wanneroo	103	6
Shire of Waroona	9	1
Shire of West Arthur*		
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu*		
TOTAL	3,128	161

*Shires of Broomehill-Tambellup, Coorow, Denmark, Murray, Plantagenet, West Arthur, Wongan-Ballidu and the Town of Victoria Park did not proceed to election.

Appendix 5 – Summary of Activity in October 2011 Local Government Postal Elections

Local Government	Wards	Contested Wards	Vacancies	Candidates	Contested	Unopposed	Uncontested	Electors	Packages Sent	Packages Returned	Mayoral	% Returned
City of Albany	6	5	8	19	6	2	0	23,610	23,610	10,930	Yes	46.3%
City of Armadale	7	6	7	15	6	1	0	37,528	32,636	9,892		30.3%
Shire of Ashburton	5	3	6	9	4	2	0	2,642	1,953	590		30.2%
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	3	1	3	6	1	2	0	8,358	2,470	1,350		54.7%
Town of Bassendean	1	1	6	14	6	0	0	9,634	9,634	3,178		33.0%
City of Bayswater	4	4	5	11	5	0	0	40,076	40,076	10,665		26.6%
City of Belmont	3	1	4	7	2	2	0	16,602	6,572	2,028		30.9%
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	2	2	4	6	4	0	0	3,158	3,158	1,589		50.3%
Shire of Brookton	1	1	4	5	4	0	0	689	689	411		59.7%
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup*	1	0	3	3	0	3	0	814	0	0		
City of Bunbury	1	1	7	14	7	0	0	20,896	20,896	6,507		31.1%
Shire of Busselton	1	1	7	11	7	0	0	21,124	21,124	7,498		35.5%
Town of Cambridge	2	1	5	7	2	3	0	17,169	8,394	2,701		32.2%
City of Canning	4	4	6	14	6	0	0	50,346	50,346	14,368		28.5%
Shire of Capel	1	1	5	7	5	0	0	8,420	8,420	2,461		29.2%
Shire of Carnarvon	4	3	4	11	3	1	0	3,140	3,140	1,431	Yes	45.6%
Shire of Chittering	1	1	4	8	4	0	0	2,948	2,948	1,067		36.2%
Town of Claremont	3	3	5	11	5	0	0	6,561	6,561	2,637		40.2%
City of Cockburn	3	3	4	8	4	0	0	56,277	56,277	15,159		26.9%
Shire of Collie	1	1	6	8	6	0	0	5,862	5,862	2,300		39.2%
Shire of Coolgardie	1	1	4	11	4	0	0	1,646	1,646	755		45.9%
Shire of Coorow*	1	0	4	4	0	4	0	1,055	0	0		
Town of Cottesloe	4	2	8	11	4	4	0	5,374	2,542	962		37.8%
Shire of Dandaragan	1	1	5	8	5	0	0	2,339	2,339	1,273		54.4%
Shire of Dardanup	1	1	6	8	6	0	0	7,927	7,927	2,656		33.5%
Shire of Denmark*	3	0	8	8	0	8	0	4,444	0	0		

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Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	1	1	4	6	4	0	0	3,746	3,746	1,601		42.7%
Shire of East Pilbara	3	2	5	9	4	1	0	2,422	2,348	633		27.0%
Shire of Esperance	2	2	9	21	9	0	0	8,664	8,664	4,071		47.0%
Shire of Exmouth	1	1	4	10	4	0	0	1,534	1,534	864		56.3%
City of Fremantle	6	3	6	10	3	3	0	18,884	9,613	3,449		35.9%
Shire of Gingin	5	1	5	6	1	4	0	2,737	458	236		51.5%
City of Gosnells	1	1	6	19	6	0	0	61,081	61,081	14,572		23.9%
City of Greater Geraldton	7	6	15	25	13	2	0	22,858	22,858	8,300	Yes	36.3%
Shire of Harvey	1	1	7	12	7	0	0	15,015	15,015	4,587		30.6%
Shire of Irwin	1	1	4	6	4	0	0	2,401	2,401	1,213		50.5%
Shire of Jerramungup	1	1	4	5	4	0	0	727	727	419		57.6%
City of Joondalup	6	5	6	12	5	1	0	104,955	86,090	20,502		23.8%
Shire of Kalamunda	4	1	6	8	2	4	0	35,913	8,766	3,013		34.4%
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	1	1	7	15	7	0	0	15,514	15,514	5,390	Yes	34.7%
Shire of Katanning	1	1	5	6	5	0	0	2,440	2,440	1,187		48.7%
Shire of Kent	1	1	4	5	4	0	0	444	444	247		55.6%
Town of Kwinana	1	1	4	7	4	0	0	15,578	15,578	4,088		26.2%
Shire of Lake Grace	3	2	5	7	3	2	0	1,025	466	293		62.9%
City of Mandurah	4	4	6	11	6	0	0	46,145	46,145	15,677		34.0%
City of Melville	6	3	7	13	4	3	0	66,676	66,676	23,278	Yes	34.9%
Shire of Menzies	2	2	5	8	5	0	0	264	264	129		48.9%
Shire of Merredin	1	1	6	10	6	0	0	2,034	2,034	1,042		51.2%
Shire of Moora	1	1	4	7	4	0	0	1,566	1,566	701		44.8%
Town of Mosman Park	2	2	4	6	4	0	0	5,656	5,656	1,997		35.3%
Shire of Mundaring	4	3	6	10	5	1	0	24,696	19,013	6,139		32.3%
Shire of Murray*	1	0	4	4	0	4	0	9,781	0	0		
City of Nedlands	4	4	7	15	7	0	0	14,229	14,229	5,146	Yes	36.2%
Shire of Northam	4	2	6	9	4	2	0	6,737	5,203	2,085		40.1%

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Local Government	Wards	Contested Wards	Vacancies	Candidates	Contested	Unopposed	Uncontested	Electors	Packages Sent	Packages Returned	Mayoral	% Returned
Shire of Peppermint Grove	1	1	3	4	3	0	0	1,070	1,070	479		44.8%
City of Perth	1	1	5	11	5	0	0	10,230	10,230	4,584	Yes	44.8%
Shire of Plantagenet*	1	0	4	4	0	4	0	3,360	0	0		
Town of Port Hedland	1	1	4	9	4	0	0	5,546	5,546	1,544		27.8%
Shire of Ravensthorpe	3	1	4	6	1	3	0	1,217	556	386		69.4%
City of Rockingham	3	3	5	9	5	0	0	52,278	52,278	16,208		31.0%
Shire of Roebourne	4	1	7	8	4	2	1	8,401	6,255	1,942		31.0%
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	3	3	9	16	9	0	0	10,726	10,726	3,505		32.7%
Shire of Shark Bay	2	1	4	5	3	1	0	548	481	264		48.2%
City of South Perth	6	3	7	13	4	3	0	25,679	25,679	8,097	Yes	31.5%
City of Stirling	7	7	7	22	7	0	0	126,920	126,920	35,131		27.7%
City of Subiaco	4	4	6	12	6	0	0	11,196	11,196	4,343		38.8%
City of Swan	5	2	7	12	3	4	0	56,563	19,221	5,718		29.7%
Shire of Upper Gascoyne	1	1	4	6	4	0	0	201	201	59		29.4%
Town of Victoria Park*	2	0	5	5	0	5	0	18,453	0	0		
Town of Vincent	2	1	5	9	3	2	0	19,834	19,834	7,604	Yes	38.3%
City of Wanneroo	4	4	8	19	8	0	0	83,852	83,852	20,586	Yes	24.6%
Shire of Waroona	1	1	4	7	4	0	0	2,481	2,481	1,082		43.6%
Shire of West Arthur*	1	0	3	3	0	3	0	650	0	0		
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu*	1	0	4	4	0	4	0	957	0	0		
TOTAL	193	137	404	710	313	90	1	1,292,523	1,114,275	344,799		30.94%

*Shires of Broomehill-Tambellup, Coorow, Denmark, Murray, Plantagenet, West Arthur, Wongan-Ballidu and the Town of Victoria Park did not proceed to election.

Appendix 6 – Electors and Voter Participation by Age Group

Summary of Electors and Voter Participation by Age Group

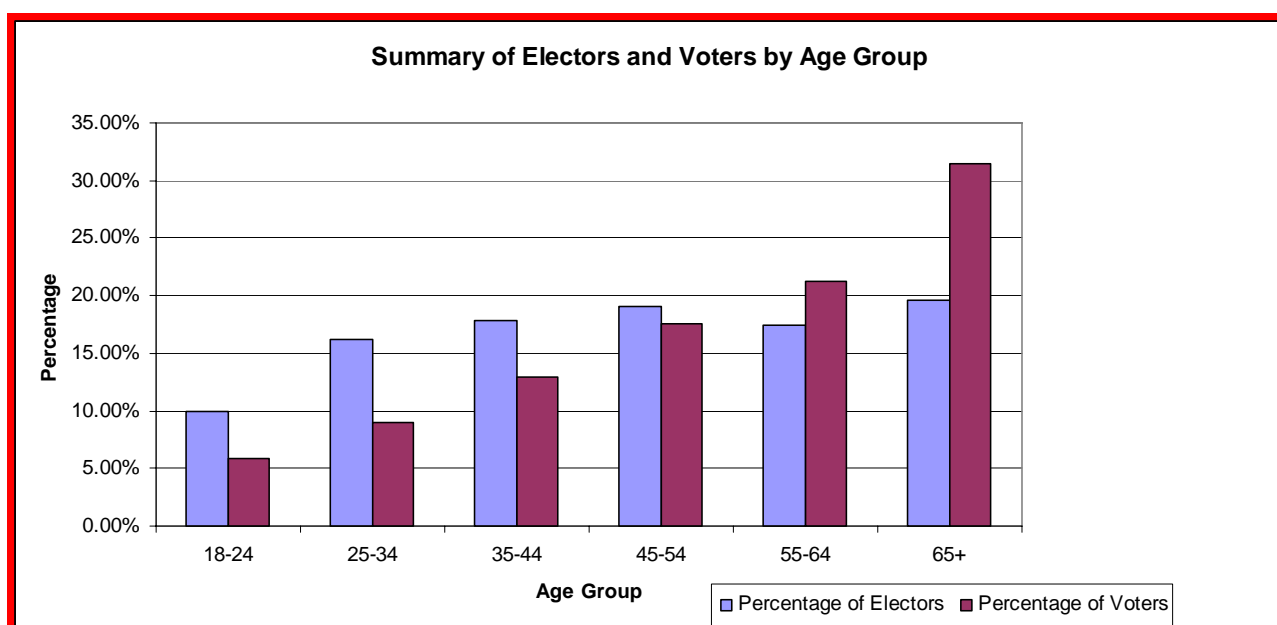
Age	Electors ¹	Percentage of Electors	Voters ²	Percentage of Voters
18-24	111,326	9.99%	20,348	5.90%
25-34	180,118	16.16%	31,062	9.01%
35-44	198,616	17.82%	44,790	12.99%
45-54	212,398	19.06%	60,630	17.58%
55-64	193,982	17.41%	73,281	21.25%
65+	217,814	19.55%	108,416	31.44%
No DOB ³	21	0.00%	12	0.00%
Not identified ⁴			6,260	1.82%
Total	1,114,275	100.0%	344,799	100.0%

¹ Elector figures for contested elections only.

² Voters – returned voting packages (accepted and rejected).

³ No DOB – electors for whom a date of birth was not supplied.

⁴ Electors were unidentifiable because they returned a package with no elector certificate attached.



Appendix 7 – Electors and Voter Participation by Age and Gender

Summary of Electors by Age Group and Gender¹

Age	Male		Female		Total
18-24	54,713	10.1%	56,613	11.0%	111,326
25-34	89,286	16.5%	90,832	15.8%	180,118
35-44	96,402	17.8%	102,214	18.0%	198,616
45-54	103,343	19.1%	109,055	19.4%	212,398
55-64	95,547	17.7%	98,435	16.5%	193,982
65+	101,885	18.8%	115,929	19.2%	217,814
No DOB ²	10	0.0%	11	0.0%	21
All	541,186	100.0%	573,089	100.0%	1,114,275

Summary of Voter Participation by Age Group and Gender

Age	Male		Female		Total
18-24	9,808	7.0%	10,540	5.9%	20,348
25-34	14,458	9.2%	16,604	9.3%	31,062
35-44	20,785	13.8%	24,005	13.5%	44,790
45-54	28,765	18.6%	31,865	17.9%	60,630
55-64	35,394	21.7%	37,887	21.3%	73,281
65+	51,942	29.7%	56,474	31.8%	108,416
No DOB ²	5	0.00%	7	0.0%	12
Not identified ³					6260
All	161,157	100.0%	177,382	100.0%	344,799

¹ Elector figures for contested elections only.

² No DOB – electors for whom a date of birth was not supplied.

³ Electors were unidentifiable because they returned a package with no elector certificate attached.

Appendix 8 – Electors and Voter Participation by Age and Location

Summary of Electors by Age Group and Location¹

Age	Metro ²		Country/Other ³		Total
18-24	88,871	10.4%	22,455	8.6%	111,326
25-34	142,510	16.7%	37,608	14.5%	180,118
35-44	151,593	17.7%	47,023	18.1%	198,616
45-54	160,905	18.8%	51,493	19.8%	212,398
55-64	146,805	17.2%	47,177	18.1%	193,982
65+	163,631	19.2%	54,183	20.8%	217,814
No DOB ⁴	12	0.0%	9	0.0%	21
All	854,327	100.0%	259,948	100.0%	1,114,275

Summary of Voter Participation by Age Group and Location

Age	Metro ²		Country/Other ³		Total
18-24	15,896	6.5%	4,452	4.7%	20,348
25-34	23,478	9.6%	7,584	8.0%	31,062
35-44	32,349	13.3%	12,441	13.1%	44,790
45-54	42,747	17.5%	17,883	18.8%	60,630
55-64	51,295	21.1%	21,986	23.2%	73,281
65+	77,862	32.0%	30,554	32.2%	108,416
No DOB ⁴	6	0.0%	6	0.0%	12
Not identified ⁵					6,260
All	243,633	100.0%	94,906	100.0%	344,799

¹ Elector figures for contested elections only.

² Metro – electors with postal addresses in the Perth metropolitan area.

³ Country/Other – electors with postal addresses out of the Perth metropolitan area.

⁴ No DOB – electors for whom a date of birth was not supplied.

⁵ Electors were unidentifiable because they returned a package with no elector certificate attached.

Appendix 9 – Electors and Voter Participation by Age and Enrolment Category

Summary of Electors by Age Group and Enrolment Category¹

Age	Resident		Owners/Occupiers		Total
18-24	111,233	10.1%	93	0.6%	111,326
25-34	179,613	16.3%	505	3.3%	180,118
35-44	197,025	17.9%	1,591	10.3%	198,616
45-54	209,501	19.1%	2,897	18.8%	212,398
55-64	189,214	17.2%	4,768	31.0%	193,982
65+	212,286	19.3%	5,528	35.9%	217,814
No DOB ²	1	0.0%	20	0.1%	21
All	1,098,873	100.0%	15,402	100.0%	1,114,275

Summary of Voter Participation by Age Group and Enrolment Category

Age	Residents		Owners/Occupiers		Total
18-24	20,301	6.1%	47	0.6%	20,348
25-34	30,817	9.3%	245	3.1%	31,062
35-44	44,106	13.3%	684	8.6%	44,790
45-54	59,254	17.9%	1,376	17.3%	60,630
55-64	70,770	21.4%	2,511	31.6%	73,281
65+	105,332	31.9%	3,084	38.8%	108,416
No DOB ²	1	0.0%	11	0.1%	12
Not identified ³					6,260
All	330,581	100.0%	7,958	100.0%	344,799

¹ Elector figures for contested elections only.

² No DOB – electors for whom a date of birth was not supplied.

³ Electors were unidentifiable because they returned a package with no elector certificate attached.

Appendix 10 – Election Results

CITY OF ALBANY

MAYOR			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	WELLINGTON, Dennis	6506 (63.46%)	
	EVANS, Milton	3746 (36.54%)	
	Total Valid Votes	10252	
	Informal	58 (0.56%)	
	Total Votes Received	10310	

BREAKSEA			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	PEMBERTON, Michael	800 (46.14%)	
	CALLEJA, Vince	934 (53.86%)	
	Total Valid Votes	1734	
	Informal	31 (1.76%)	
	Total Votes Received	1765	

FREDRICKSTOWN			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	BROWN, Rob	340 (19.86%)	
	MOIR, Anthony	226 (13.20%)	
	TRAVERS, Crispin	260 (15.19%)	
	STOCKS, Gregory Brian	886 (51.75%)	
	Total Valid Votes	1712	
	Informal	10 (0.58%)	
	Total Votes Received	1722	

KALGAN			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 19 October 2013 17 October 2015
	HOLDEN, Chris	Elected Unopposed	
	ATTWELL, Yvonne	Elected Unopposed	
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
	Total Votes Received	0	

VANCOUVER		
Candidate	Votes	
THOMAS, Gordon	219	(14.31%)
ROBERTSON, John	217	(14.18%)
BOWLES, Sarah	937	(61.24%)
HINDLE, David	157	(10.26%)
Total Valid Votes	1530	
Informal	10	(0.65%)
Total Votes Received	1540	
		Expiry of term 17 October 2015

WEST		
Candidate	Votes	
WOLFE, Des	845	(47.61%)
GREGSON, Gerry	930	(52.39%)
Total Valid Votes	1775	
Informal	5	(0.28%)
Total Votes Received	1780	
		Expiry of term 17 October 2015

YAKAMIA		
Candidate	Votes	
HORTIN, Alan	772	(44.52%)
WILLIAMS, Nicolette	497	(28.66%)
TAINSH, Peter	465	(26.82%)
Total Valid Votes	1734	
Informal	9	(0.52%)
Total Votes Received	1743	
		Expiry of term 17 October 2015

CITY OF ARMADALE

HERON

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
STEWART, Jim	759	(56.56%)	
DADD, Mark	195	(14.53%)	
MCNAMARA, Albert	388	(28.91%)	
Total Valid Votes	1342		
Informal	10	(0.74%)	
Total Votes Received	1352		

JARRAH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
NIXON, Grant	1001	(68.10%)	
SCIDONE, Laurie	469	(31.90%)	
Total Valid Votes	1470		
Informal	8	(0.54%)	
Total Votes Received	1478		

LAKE

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
MUNN, Jeff	1369	(70.86%)	
BUSBY, Bret	563	(29.14%)	
Total Valid Votes	1932		
Informal	7	(0.36%)	
Total Votes Received	1939		

MINNAWARRA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
BUSBY, Kerry	808	(51.83%)	
WOODS, Beau	751	(48.17%)	
Total Valid Votes	1559		
Informal	11	(0.70%)	
Total Votes Received	1570		

NEERIGEN			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
LETHBRIDGE, Keith	381	(24.87%)	17 October 2015
O'BRIEN, Charlene	392	(25.59%)	
GEARY, Mark	759	(49.54%)	
Total Valid Votes	1532		
Informal	19	(1.23%)	
Total Votes Received	1551		

PALOMINO			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
NORTHCOTT, Melissa	989	(65.89%)	17 October 2015
MAUGER, Wayne	512	(34.11%)	
Total Valid Votes	1501		
Informal	10	(0.66%)	
Total Votes Received	1511		

RIVER			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ZELONES, Henry	Elected Unopposed		17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SHIRE OF ASHBURTON

ASHBURTON			
Candidate EYRE, Ann Total Valid Votes Informal Total Votes Received	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed		
	0		
	0	(0.00%)	
	0		

PARABURDOO			
Candidate RUMBLE, Linton Stanley Total Valid Votes Informal Total Votes Received	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed		
	0		
	0	(0.00%)	
	0		

ON SLOW			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	HERBERT, Pearce	62 (35.23%)	
	WHITE, Kerry	114 (64.77%)	
	Total Valid Votes	176	
	Informal	2 (1.12%)	
	Total Votes Received	178	

TABLELAND			
Candidate THOMAS, Lorraine INGIE, Stuart Total Valid Votes Informal Total Votes Received	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	13	(72.22%)	
	5	(27.78%)	
	18		
	0	(0.00%)	
	18		

TOM PRICE			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
FOSTER, Peter Allan	266	(50.86%)	17 October 2015
FERNANDEZ, Cecilia	153	(29.25%)	19 October 2013
MAV, Steve	104	(19.89%)	
Total Valid Votes	523		
Informal	1	(0.19%)	
Total Votes Received	524		

SHIRE OF AUGUSTA-MARGARET RIVER

LEEWIN			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
PURCELL, Barry Montague	154	(11.93%)	
DORNAN, Nick	316	(24.48%)	
GOODMAN, Anthony James	129	(9.99%)	
SMART, Mike	692	(53.60%)	
Total Valid Votes	1291		
Informal	9	(0.69%)	
Total Votes Received	1300		

MARGARET RIVER				
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015	
	Elected Unopposed			
	Total Valid Votes	0		
	Informal	0		(0.00 %)
	Total Votes Received	0		

NORTH			
Candidate SERVENTY, Lynette Joan Total Valid Votes Informal Total Votes Received	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed		
	0		
	0	(0.00 %)	
	0		

TOWN OF BASSENDEAN

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
LEWIS, Mike	1186	(8.28%)	19 October 2013
HANSEN, Kirsten	740	(5.17%)	
CARTER, Jennie	1656	(11.57%)	17 October 2015
BUTLER, Lynda	794	(5.55%)	
KLEIN, Tina	707	(4.94%)	
BENZ, Heinrich	737	(5.15%)	
KING, Graeme Michael	847	(5.92%)	
JOHNSON, Moss	1054	(7.36%)	
PIANTADOSI, Angie	647	(4.52%)	
YATES, Don	905	(6.32%)	
GANGELL, John	1682	(11.75%)	17 October 2015
BRINKWORTH, Anne	1244	(8.69%)	17 October 2015
COLLINS, Kara Leigh	1059	(7.40%)	19 October 2013
PULE, Gerry	1059	(7.40%)	19 October 2013
Total Valid Votes	14317		
Informal	22	(0.15%)	
Total Votes Received	14339		

CITY OF BAYSWATER

CENTRAL			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
SABATINO, Michael	1451	(28.93%)	
PALMER, Sally	1203	(23.98%)	17 October 2015
HUNT, Steve	1039	(20.71%)	
CORNISH, Chris	1323	(26.38%)	
Total Valid Votes	5016		
Informal	10	(0.20%)	
Total Votes Received	5016		

NORTH			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ANDERTON, Mike	1395	(51.48%)	
BOUZIDIS, Harry	1315	(48.52%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	2710		
Informal	12	(0.44%)	
Total Votes Received	2722		

SOUTH			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ALBERT, Sylvan	1040	(52.60%)	
KLEIN, Jack	235	(11.89%)	17 October 2015
LIM, Pat	702	(35.51%)	
Total Valid Votes	1977		
Informal	10	(0.50%)	
Total Votes Received	1987		

WEST			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ANDERTON, Mike	1395	(51.48%)	
DRAGO, Joe	1243	(47.15%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	2636		
Informal	14	(0.53%)	
Total Votes Received	2650		

CITY OF BELMONT

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
WOLFF, Steve			17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
SHORE, Daniel	437	(13.41%)	17 October 2015
BASS, Margie, Margaret	949	(29.12%)	
MCMAHON, Simone	422	(12.95%)	
COPEMAN, Joann	336	(10.31%)	
MARKS, Phil	1115	(34.21%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	3259		
Informal	5	(0.15%)	
Total Votes Received	3264		

WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
ROSSI, Robert			17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SHIRE OF BRIDGETOWN-GREENBUSHES

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
PRATICO, Tony	188	(62.46%)	
SOUTHWELL, Michael	113	(37.54%)	
Total Valid Votes	301		
Informal	1	(0.33%)	
Total Votes Received	302		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
MOORE, Brian	873	(29.79%)	17 October 2015
MOYES, William	525	(17.91%)	
MOSCARDA, Sue	932	(31.80%)	17 October 2015
MACKMAN, Doreen	601	(20.50%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	2931		
Informal	3	(0.10%)	
Total Votes Received	2934		

SHIRE OF BROOKTON

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
WALTERS, Jo	229	(16.45%)	
COOTE, Barry	279	(20.04%)	
MILLS, Kim Hillsdon	311	(22.34%)	
EVA, Travis Morgan	316	(22.70%)	
LANGE, Timm	257	(18.46%)	
Total Valid Votes	1392		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	1392		

SHIRE OF BROOMEHILL-TAMBELLUP

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected Unopposed		
	Elected Unopposed		
	Elected Unopposed		
	0		
	0	(0.00%)	
	0		

CITY OF BUNBURY

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MORRIS, Sam	3649	(10.32%)	17 October 2015
MCNEILL, Neville William	2690	(7.61%)	17 October 2015
MAJOR, Susanne	2059	(5.82%)	
KELLY, Brendan	3442	(9.74%)	17 October 2015
COOK, Murray	3607	(10.20%)	17 October 2015
PROSSER, David	3140	(8.88%)	17 October 2015
HARROP, Juliet	2281	(6.45%)	
WILLETTS, Glen P	1823	(5.16%)	
SLATER, Ross Maitland	2628	(7.43%)	19 October 2013
BRIDGES, Cameron Douglas	3313	(9.37%)	17 October 2015
MAJOR, Wayne	2178	(6.16%)	
WAGSTAFF, Dennis	1352	(3.82%)	
TUTISAI, Janis	1125	(3.18%)	
HOWE, Blair	2064	(5.84%)	
Total Valid Votes	35351		
Informal	40	(0.11%)	
Total Votes Received	35391		

SHIRE OF BUSSELTON

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
JOHNSON, Peter	2016	(4.82%)	17 October 2015
TUFFIN, Tom	5197	(12.42%)	
ALEXANDER, Peter	3337	(7.97%)	
BINKS, David	4288	(10.25%)	17 October 2015
MCCALLUM, John	4253	(10.16%)	17 October 2015
STUBBS, Ian	5461	(13.05%)	17 October 2015
GREEN, Jenny	4617	(11.03%)	17 October 2015
TARBOTTON, Coralie	3904	(9.33%)	17 October 2015
KURMANN, Debra	3867	(9.24%)	19 October 2013
KAIGG, Valerie	3427	(8.19%)	19 October 2013
RULYANCICH, Brian	1485	(3.55%)	
Total Valid Votes	41852		
Informal	40	(0.10%)	19 October 2013
Total Votes Received	41892		

TOWN OF CAMBRIDGE

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected	Unopposed	
WITHERS, Simon			
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

COAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
PINERUA, Hilary	1069	(22.61%)	
PETELCZYC, Jon	697	(14.74%)	
WALKER, Colin Edward	1450	(30.66%)	17 October 2015
BRADLEY, Rod	1513	(31.99%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	4729		
Informal	12	(0.25%)	
Total Votes Received	4741		

WEMBLEY

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
CARR, Louis Donald			17 October 2015
LANGER, Alan John			17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

CITY OF CANNING

BANNISTER

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
NG, Paul	1612	(40.88%)	17 October 2015
MASON, Bruce Edward	2331	(59.12%)	
Total Valid Votes	3943		
Informal	21	(0.53%)	
Total Votes Received	3964		

BEELIAR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
CLARKE, Stuart	3300	(48.33%)	17 October 2015
EDWARDS, M	946	(13.85%)	17 October 2015
OLSEN, Bev	2582	(37.81%)	
Total Valid Votes	6828		
Informal	15	(0.22%)	
Total Votes Received	6843		

MASON

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MATSON, John	422	(5.84%)	17 October 2015
BOYLEN, Stephen Thomas	1960	(27.11%)	
HALL, Margaret	1090	(15.08%)	
BARRY, Graham	1770	(24.48%)	17 October 2015
MARTLI, Ayse	1470	(20.33%)	
HILL, Warren	518	(7.16%)	
Total Valid Votes	7230		
Informal	17	(0.23%)	
Total Votes Received	7247		

NICHOLSON			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
MCLEAN, Andrew	459	(30.54%)	
WHEATON, Michelle	370	(24.62%	
O'DONNELL, Megan Adelle	674	(44.84%)	
Total Valid Votes	1503		
Informal	13	(0.86%)	
Total Votes Received	1516		

SHIRE OF CAPEL

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BELL, Barry	1431	(15.40%)	17 October 2015
HASTIE, Brian	897	(9.65%)	
BASSFORD, Joseph John	1263	(13.59%)	
HEARNE, Brian	1460	(15.71%)	
GIBSON, Kingsley	1279	(13.77%)	17 October 2015
SCOTT, Jennifer Anne	1559	(16.78%)	17 October 2015
MANLEY, Sandra Carol	1402	(15.09%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	9291		
Informal	14	(0.15%)	
Total Votes Received	9305		

SHIRE OF CARNARVON

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
BRANDENBURG, Karl Graeme	459	(34.93%)	
MASLEN, Dudley	448	(34.09%)	
DALE, Wally	407	(30.97%)	
Total Valid Votes	1314		
Informal	13	(0.98%)	
Total Votes Received	1327		

GASCOYNE/MINILYA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected	Unopposed	
HOPKINSON, Bill			
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

TOWN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
NELSON, Julee May	285	(23.08%)	17 October 2015
BURT, Paull Reginald George	215	(17.41%)	
BRANDENBURG, Karl Graeme	0	(0.00%)	
DURMANICH, Denis	216	(17.49%)	
HARDMAN, Darryl	108	(8.74%)	
ALSTON, Andrew	146	(11.82%)	
MCMAHON, Naomi	265	(21.46%)	
Total Valid Votes	1235		
Informal	2	(0.16%)	
Total Votes Received	1237		

SHIRE OF CHITTERING

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ROSSOUW, Michelle Carol	506	(14.87%)	17 October 2015
CLARKE, Sandra	481	(14.13%)	17 October 2015
MACKIE, Doreen	540	(15.87%)	17 October 2015
RIOLFO, John	289	(8.49%)	17 October 2015
JONES, Terry	325	(9.55%)	
BROOKS, Peter	420	(12.34%)	
DOUGLAS, Alex	523	(15.37%)	
BARNES, Alan	319	(9.37%)	
Total Valid Votes	3403		
Informal	2	(0.06%)	
Total Votes Received	3405		

TOWN OF CLAREMONT

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
LORENZ, Anita Marie	282	(21.49%)	17 October 2015
JOYCE, Douglas	229	(17.45%)	
HUNT, Marie-Louise	136	(10.37%)	
TULLOCH, Alastair	405	(30.87%)	17 October 2015
MAIN, Kate	260	(19.82%)	
Total Valid Votes	1312		
Informal	2	(0.15%)	
Total Votes Received	1314		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MEWS, Chris	489	(52.41%)	17 October 2015
STEPHENS, Wendy	444	(47.59%)	
Total Valid Votes	933		
Informal	8	(0.85%)	
Total Votes Received	941		

WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BRUNO, Renato	394	(27.38%)	
FRAYNE, Donald Maxwell	122	(8.48%)	
BROWNE, Peter	482	(33.50%)	17 October 2015
EDWARDS, Peter	441	(30.65%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	1439		
Informal	6	(0.42%)	
Total Votes Received	1445		

CITY OF COCKBURN

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
PRATT, Stephen	2440	(51.68%)	17 October 2015
LIMBERT, Sue	2281	(48.32%)	
Total Valid Votes	4721		
Informal	34	(0.72%)	
Total Votes Received	4755		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
MUBARAKAI, Yaz	2447	(29.55%)	17 October 2015
ATTRILL, Helen	2254	(27.22%)	
PORTELLI, Steven	2500	(30.19%)	17 October 2015
CARBONE, Liz	1081	(13.05%)	
Total Valid Votes	8282		
Informal	29	(0.35%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
REEVE-FOWKES, Carol	3368	(73.91%)	17 October 2015
ARMSTRONG, Jane	1189	(26.09%)	
Total Valid Votes	4557		
Informal	34	(0.74%)	
Total Votes Received	4591		

SHIRE OF COLLIE

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BORLINI, John	1406	(12.47%)	17 October 2015
YATES, Glyn	1405	(12.46%)	17 October 2015
FARIES, Gary	1753	(15.55%)	17 October 2015
MACLAREN-HALL, Jeanette	814	(7.22%)	
BIRD, John	1167	(10.35%)	
HANNS, Jodie	1552	(13.77%)	17 October 2015
DENT, Simon	1402	(12.44%)	17 October 2015
MIFFLING, Ian	1774	(15.74%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	11273		
Informal	7	(0.06%)	
Total Votes Received	11280		

SHIRE OF COOLGARDIE

DISTRICT		
Candidate	Votes	
WINTER, Eugen	186	(7.41%)
LOGAN, Betty	303	(12.08%)
WARING, Rob	153	(6.10%)
INWOOD, Derek	232	(9.25%)
MARZOLO, Tracey	394	(15.70%)
MARCHESE, Wayne	355	(14.15%)
LINDUP, Kathie	332	(13.23%)
ATKINS, Treena	180	(7.17%)
COLLISSON, Gillian	97	(3.87%)
FORWARD, Sheree	143	(5.70%)
MILLS, Alec	134	(5.34%)
Total Valid Votes	2509	
Informal	2	(0.08%)
Total Votes Received	2511	
		Expiry of term
		19 October 2013
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015

SHIRE OF COOROW

DISTRICT		
Candidate	Votes	
MCTAGGART, Darren	Elected Unopposed	
RACKEMANN, Damien	Elected Unopposed	
BOTHE, Michael	Elected Unopposed	
WILLIAMS, Allan	Elected Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0	
Informal	0	(0.00%)
Total Votes Received	0	
		Expiry of term
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015

TOWN OF COTTESLOE

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
CARMICHAEL, Patricia	195	(20.17%)	
DOWNES, Katrina Peta	261	(26.99%)	19 October 2013
JEANES, Peter	277	(28.65%)	17 October 2015
BIRNBRAUER, Jay	234	(24.20%)	
Total Valid Votes	483		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	483		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HART, Yvonne	221	(33.43%)	
ROWELL, Rob	226	(34.19%)	19 October 2013
BOULTER, Sandra	214	(32.38%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BOLAND, Greg	Elected Unopposed		
WALSH, Jack	Elected Unopposed		
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PYVIS, Sally	Elected Unopposed		
STRZINA,Victor	Elected Unopposed		
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SHIRE OF DANDARAGAN

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HOLMES, Leslee	614	(13.74%)	17 October 2015
GIBSON, Wayne	648	(14.50%)	17 October 2015
CLEAR, Herb	258	(5.77%)	
KENT, David	588	(13.16%)	17 October 2015
LOVE, Shane	771	(17.25%)	17 October 2015
LOVELAND, Ken	495	(11.08%)	
HOWE, K R	373	(8.35%)	
MCGLEW, Kaye	722	(16.16%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	4469		
Informal	2	(0.04%)	
Total Votes Received	4471		

SHIRE OF DARDANUP

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HARRIS, Danny	1635	(14.52%)	17 October 2015
DAVIES, Luke	1376	(12.22%)	19 October 2013
LEE, James	1511	(13.42%)	17 October 2015
WEBSTER, Annette	1096	(9.73%)	
GARDINER, John E	1426	(12.66%)	17 October 2015
DAY, Brad	1455	(12.92%)	17 October 2015
PAPALIA, Frank	1277	(11.34%)	
ROBINSON, Peter	1484	(13.18%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	11260		
Informal	8	(0.07%)	
Total Votes Received	11268		

SHIRE OF DENMARK

KENT/NORNALUP		
Candidate	Votes	
GILLIES, Kelli	Elected Unopposed	
SEENEY, Roger	Elected Unopposed	
MARSHALL, Barbara	Elected Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0	
Informal	0	(0.00%)
Total Votes Received	0	
		Expiry of term
		17 October 2015
		19 October 2013
		17 October 2015

SCOTSDALE/SHADFORTH		
Candidate	Votes	
LEWIS, Janet	Elected Unopposed	
ROWLAND, Belinda	Elected Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0	
Informal	0	(0.00%)
Total Votes Received	0	
		Expiry of term
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015

TOWN		
Candidate	Votes	
THORNTON, Ross	Elected Unopposed	
OSBORNE, Ian	Elected Unopposed	
HINDS, Adrian	Elected Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0	
Informal	0	(0.00%)
Total Votes Received	0	
		Expiry of term
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015
		19 October 2013

SHIRE OF DONNYBROOK-BALLINGUP

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
DAWSON, Bernie	957	(20.13%)	17 October 2015
DUNCAN, Jill	924	(19.44%)	17 October 2015
MCCABE, Peter	813	(17.10%)	17 October 2015
KING, Mike	911	(19.17%)	17 October 2015
NEWMAN, Tobias	513	(10.79%)	
NIDD, Gwendoline	635	(13.36%)	
Total Valid Votes	4753		
Informal	9	(0.19%)	
Total Votes Received	4762		

SHIRE OF EAST PILBARA

LOWER CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
BENNETTS, Darren	17	(65.38%)	
JENKINS, Graeme	9	(34.62%)	
Total Valid Votes	26		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	26		

NORTH WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
KIERNAN, Stephen	Elected Unopposed		
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
CURTIS, Dave	226	(15.73%)	17 October 2015
GROESSLER, Louise	118	(8.21%)	
CRAIGIE, Lynne	321	(22.34%)	
O'DRISCOLL, Barbara	223	(15.52%)	17 October 2015
PARSONS, Gerry	263	(18.30%)	
HOYER, Craig	286	(19.90%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	1437		
Informal	1	(0.07%)	
Total Votes Received	1438		

SHIRE OF ESPERANCE

RURAL			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BOWMAN, Natalie	671	(18.11%)	17 October 2015
PARKER, Basil	538	(14.52%)	
HOFFRICHTER, Stephen	303	(8.18%)	
BROWN, Victoria Wilson	991	(26.74%)	17 October 2015
FURNISS, Trevor	307	(8.28%)	
WROTH, Barry	344	(9.28%)	
WALKER, Nigel Chris	552	(14.89%)	19 October 2013
Total Valid Votes	3706		
Informal	5	(0.13%)	
Total Votes Received	3711		

TOWN			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
WATERS, Clayton	479	(3.77%)	19 October 2013
CAMPBELL, Deb	655	(5.15%)	
RODGERS, Wayne Joseph	1032	(8.12%)	
REYNOLDS, Ron	743	(5.85%)	17 October 2015
HEASMAN, Malcolm William	1232	(9.69%)	
BARNARD, Peter N	357	(2.81%)	
STEWART, Beverley	1061	(8.35%)	19 October 2013
MANSELL, Roger	1176	(9.25%)	17 October 2015
SMITH, Christine Marie	776	(6.11%)	17 October 2015
STARCEVICH, George Edward	867	(6.82%)	
MCINTYRE, Lara	1748	(13.76%)	
PENNY, Mike	885	(6.96%)	19 October 2013
PEARCE, Brian Norman	712	(5.60%)	
GRIFFITHS, Paul	985	(7.75%)	
Total Valid Votes	12708		
Informal	6	(0.05%)	
Total Votes Received	12714		

SHIRE OF EXMOUTH

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
WARREN, Jon	413	(13.34%)	17 October 2015
MOTZEL, Ted	253	(8.17%)	
THOMPSON, Graeme	349	(11.27%)	17 October 2015
HOOD, Mick	478	(15.43%)	17 October 2015
TAPPER Kim	247	(7.98%)	19 October 2013
KERR, Stewie	294	(9.49%)	
BAYNE, Kevin John	179	(5.78%)	
HANSMAN, Kim	244	(7.88%)	
FITZGERALD, Stuart O	338	(10.91%)	
KING, Garry	302	(9.75%)	
Total Valid Votes	3097		
Informal	2	(0.06%)	
Total Votes Received	3099		

CITY OF FREMANTLE

BEACONSFIELD

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	HUME, Dave	570 (53.12%)	
	ADEANE, Georgie	503 (46.88%)	
	Total Valid Votes	1073	
	Informal	6 (0.56%)	
	Total Votes Received	1079	

CITY

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	SWANEPOEL, Michael	227 (19.27%)	
	DZEBA, Ivan	366 (31.07%)	
	PEMBERTON, Rachel	585 (49.66%)	
	Total Valid Votes	1178	
	Informal	6 (0.51%)	
Total Votes Received	1184		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	BONI, Steve	441 (42.24%)	
	WALTHAM, Ingrid	603 (57.76%)	
	Total Valid Votes	1044	
	Informal	8 (0.76%)	
	Total Votes Received	1052	

HILTON

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	MASSIE, William	Elected Unopposed	
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
	Total Votes Received	0	

NORTH			
Candidate FITTOCK, Robert Total Valid Votes Informal Total Votes Received	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed		
	0		
	0	(0.00%)	
	0		

SOUTH			
Candidate STRACHAN, Jon Total Valid Votes Informal Total Votes Received	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed		
	0		
	0	(0.00%)	
	0		

SHIRE OF GINGIN

GREATER GINGIN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected	Unopposed	
KESTEL, Rob			
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

GUILDERTON/CARABAN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected	Unopposed	
COLLARD, Ian			
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

LANCELIN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected	Unopposed	
JAMES, Bob			
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

LEDGE POINT/KARAKIN/BRETON

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected	Unopposed	
BENARI, Max	21	(9.25%)	
COURT, Jan	206	(90.75%)	
Total Valid Votes	227		
Informal	2	(0.87%)	
Total Votes Received	229		

WOODRIDGE

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 19 October 2013
	Elected	Unopposed	
ALDERSON, Alan			
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

CITY OF GOSNELLS

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
GRIFFITHS, Liz	7750	(11.12%)	17 October 2015
MITCHELL, Ron	5115	(7.34%)	17 October 2015
WIFFEN, Bill	4385	(6.29%)	
DREW, Roger	4399	(6.31%)	
TARNAWSKYJ, Simon	3519	(5.05%)	
SINGH, Aman	1793	(2.57%)	
BARRETT, Wayne	5258	(7.54%)	17 October 2015
GRIFFITHS, Dave	5236	(7.51%)	17 October 2015
DEWHURST, Glen	4823	(6.92%)	17 October 2015
HARRINGTON, Mark	1780	(2.55%)	
NEWMAN, Daniel	2814	(4.04%)	
KELLY, Harry	2175	(3.12%)	
FERNANDEZ, Chris	3262	(4.68%)	
FRETZ, Frank	3081	(4.42%)	
BARAIOLO, Sandy	4171	(5.98%)	
TASSONE, Charlie	1704	(2.44%)	
KEITH, Cynthia Ann	2247	(3.22%)	
YOUSSEF, Salim	1783	(2.56%)	
LAWRENCE, Russell	4415	(6.33%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	69710		
Informal	137	(0.20%)	
Total Votes Received	69847		

CITY OF GREATER GERALDTON

MAYOR			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
O'TOOLE, Terry	846	(11.18%)	
GREENAWAY, Graham	2010	(26.56%)	
HILL, Shane Robin	1934	(25.55%)	
CARPENTER, Ian	2778	(36.71%)	
Total Valid Votes	7568		
Informal	121	(1.57%)	
Total Votes Received	7689		

CHAMPION BAY			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015 19 October 2013
MCDONALD, Wayne	336	(22.57%)	
FIORENZA, Peter Michael	718	(48.22%)	
RAMAGE, Robert	435	(29.21%)	
Total Valid Votes	1489		
Informal	4	(0.27%)	
Total Votes Received	1493		

CHAPMAN			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 19 October 2013 17 October 2015
BURROWS, Brenda	350	(21.26%)	
ASHPLANT, Ron	617	(37.48%)	
BRICK, Des	679	(41.25%)	
Total Valid Votes	1646		
Informal	1	(0.06%)	
Total Votes Received	1647		

HILLS			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
CLUNE, Jerry	1117	(41.25%)	17 October 2015
MIDDLETON, Ilse	629	(23.23%)	19 October 2013
MARTIN, Gary James	492	(18.17%)	
STILL, Graham Edmund	470	(17.36%)	
Total Valid Votes	2708		
Informal	8	(0.29%)	
Total Votes Received	2716		

PORT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BOSCHETTI, Joe	484	(23.63%)	17 October 2015
HALL, Bob	1006	(49.12%)	19 October 2013
BENNETT, Neil	558	(27.25%)	
Total Valid Votes	2048		
Informal	8	(0.39%)	
Total Votes Received	2056		

TARCOOLA			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
INGLIS, Brett	434	(19.16%)	19 October 2013
VAN STYN, Shane	889	(39.25%)	17 October 2015
MCILWAINE, Neil	942	(41.59%)	
Total Valid Votes	2265		
Informal	4	(0.18%)	
Total Votes Received	2269		

WILLCOCK			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BYLUND, Graeme Lyall	621	(43.61%)	17 October 2015
DETRAFFORD, Richard	340	(23.88%)	19 October 2013
GABELISH, Chris	463	(32.51%)	
Total Valid Votes	1424		
Informal	8	(0.56%)	
Total Votes Received	1432		

MULLEWA					
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term		
	Elected Unopposed			19 October 2013	
	Elected Unopposed				17 October 2015
	Total Valid Votes	0			
	Informal	0		(0.00%)	
	Total Votes Received	0			

SHIRE OF HARVEY

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
SHORTLAND, Anita	2252	(9.92%)	17 October 2015
HOLLANDS, Brian	1988	(8.76%)	17 October 2015
CARBONE, Craig	2078	(9.15%)	17 October 2015
LOVITT, Amanda	1946	(8.57%)	17 October 2015
ADAMS, Bill	1760	(7.75%)	
MONAGLE, Peter	2769	(12.20%)	17 October 2015
BEECH, Paul J	2021	(8.90%)	17 October 2015
ST DUKE, Robert A	1143	(5.04%)	
JACKSON, Tania Gae	1988	(8.76%)	17 October 2015
GALE, Jeff	1778	(7.83%)	
BROWN, Geoffrey David	1515	(6.67%)	
GODBER, Gordon	1460	(6.43%)	
Total Valid Votes	22698		
Informal	160	(0.70%)	
Total Votes Received	22858		

SHIRE OF IRWIN

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
THOMPSON, Barrye Roy	512	(12.91%)	17 October 2015
HEPWORTH, Kevin John	900	(22.69%)	
ROBERTS, Ritchie	491	(12.38%)	
PORTEUS, Riki	528	(13.31%)	17 October 2015
CHANDLER, Stuart Charles	731	(18.43%)	17 October 2015
SMITH, Michael	804	(20.27%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	3966		
Informal	4	(0.10%)	
Total Votes Received	3970		

SHIRE OF JERRAMUNGUP

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HOBBS, Corinne	185	(12.81%)	
PARSONS, Rex	307	(21.26%)	
DANIEL, Carolyn	288	(19.94%)	
TREVASKIS, Bruce	320	(22.16%)	
LESTER, Rob	344	(23.82%)	
Total Valid Votes	1444		
Informal	1	(0.07%)	
Total Votes Received	1445		

CITY OF JOONDALUP

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
POLIWKA, Russell	1678	(48.78%)	
AMPHLETT, Geoffrey Carl	1762	(51.22%)	
Total Valid Votes	3440		
Informal	12	(0.35%)	
Total Votes Received	3452		

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
MCLEAN, Tom	3847	(83.81%)	
NELSON, Mark	743	(16.19%)	
Total Valid Votes	4590		
Informal	34	(0.74%)	
Total Votes Received	4624		

NORTH-CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
FOSTER, Ray	974	(23.86%)	
THOMAS, Sam	1627	(39.85%)	
MAGYAR, Steve	1482	(36.30%)	
Total Valid Votes	4083		
Informal	23	(0.56%)	
Total Votes Received	4106		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
CURRIE, Richard	1611	(44.94%)	
RITCHIE, Teresa	1974	(55.06%)	
Total Valid Votes	3585		
Informal	18	(0.50%)	
Total Votes Received	3603		

SOUTH-EAST			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	LOCK, Des	1000 (26.10%)	
	CORR, Brian	2832 (73.90%)	
	Total Valid Votes	3832	
	Informal	15 (0.39%)	
	Total Votes Received	3847	
17 October 2015			

SOUTH-WEST			
Candidate NORMAN, Mike Total Valid Votes Informal Total Votes Received	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed		
	0		
	0	(0.00%)	
	0		

SHIRE OF KALAMUNDA

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed		
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
	Total Votes Received	0	

NORTH WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed		
EMERY, Robert Howard			
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SOUTH EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015 17 October 2015
LEDGER, Ruth	485	(10.20%)	
GIARDINA, John	1769	(37.19%)	
LINDSEY, Frank	1333	(28.02%)	
EVERETT, Carol	1170	(24.60%)	
Total Valid Votes	4757		
Informal	17	(0.36%)	
Total Votes Received	4774		

SOUTH WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected Unopposed		
	Elected Unopposed		
	0		
	0	(0.00%)	
MORTON, Allan			17 October 2015
WHITTEN, Justin			17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

CITY OF KALGOORLIE-BOULDER

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
CIANTAR, Ray	361	(7.23%)	17 October 2015
WOLSKI, Nola	2123	(42.51%)	
YURYEVICH, Ron	2510	(50.26%)	
Total Valid Votes	4994		
Informal	20	(0.40%)	
Total Votes Received	5014		

DISTRICT

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
JOHNSON, Wayne	2767	(10.66%)	17 October 2015
EGGLESTON, Matt	1893	(7.29%)	17 October 2015
MALICKY, Lisa	3339	(12.87%)	
WESTERN, Rose	1319	(5.08%)	
LUCAS, Mike	1725	(6.65%)	
RICHARDSON, Beth	2716	(10.47%)	17 October 2015
MCKAY, Mick	2074	(7.99%)	17 October 2015
GRILLS, Dave	2636	(10.16%)	17 October 2015
NORTHCOAT, Robert	1851	(7.13%)	17 October 2015
REIDY, Mandy	2098	(8.08%)	
BROWN, Gary	1995	(7.69%)	
SLATTERY, Brendon	1539	(5.93%)	
Total Valid Votes	25952		
Informal	35	(0.13%)	
Total Votes Received	25987		

SHIRE OF KATANNING

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MCCARLEY, Heather	899	(19.44%)	17 October 2015
PAYNTER, Bert	265	(5.73%)	
GODFREY, Robert	982	(21.24%)	17 October 2015
EVANS, Ainslie	722	(15.61%)	19 October 2013
WOOD, Leisha	836	(18.08%)	17 October 2015
MCFARLAND, Alan	920	(19.90%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	4624		
Informal	8	(0.17%)	
Total Votes Received	4632		

SHIRE OF KENT

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
CROSBY, Catherine	190	(22.92%)	17 October 2015
COLLINS, Grant	190	(22.92%)	17 October 2015
SMITH, Alan Lewis	202	(24.37%)	17 October 2015
GRANT-WILLIAMS, Neil	72	(8.69%)	17 October 2015
ALTHAM, Bruce	175	(21.11%)	
Total Valid Votes	829		
Informal	1	(0.12%)	
Total Votes Received	830		

TOWN OF KWINANA

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
WOOD, Dennis	2246	(17.80%)	17 October 2015
DONOHUE, Barrie	1273	(10.09%)	
CORKER, Bryan	1328	(10.52%)	
WOOD, Sherilyn	2167	(17.17%)	17 October 2015
FEASEY, Peter	1831	(14.51%)	17 October 2015
COOPER, Wendy	2423	(19.20%)	17 October 2015
SMITH, Victor	1353	(10.72%)	
Total Valid Votes	12621		
Informal	21	(0.17%)	
Total Votes Received	12642		

SHIRE OF LAKE GRACE

LAKE GRACE			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected Unopposed		
	Elected Unopposed		
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
	Total Votes Received	0	

LAKE KING/VARLEY			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
DE LANDGRAFFT, Jeanette	94	(89.52%)	17 October 2015
PALMER, Malcolm	11	(10.48%)	
Total Valid Votes	105		
Informal	3	(2.78%)	
Total Votes Received	108		

NEWDEGATE			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
NEWMAN, Wally	127	(40.84%)	17 October 2015
ARMSTRONG, Len	134	(43.09%)	17 October 2015
MORTON, Clive	50	(16.08%)	
Total Valid Votes	311		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	311		

CITY OF MANDURAH

COASTAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PEMBER, Don	2101	(32.41%)	17 October 2015
RIEBELING, Fred	2479	(38.24%)	17 October 2015
BLAY, Bruce	1902	(29.34%)	
Total Valid Votes	6482		
Informal	19	(0.29%)	
Total Votes Received	6501		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ROGERS, Peter	1525	(41.36%)	17 October 2015
JONES, Shane	2162	(58.64%)	
Total Valid Votes	3687		
Informal	14	(0.38%)	
Total Votes Received	3701		

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
KNIGHT, Caroline	2169	(38.85%)	17 October 2015
WORTLEY, Ron	1899	(34.01%)	17 October 2015
KANE, Peter	1515	(27.14%)	
Total Valid Votes	5583		
Informal	23	(0.41%)	
Total Votes Received	5606		

TOWN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
JACOBY, John R	733	(20.64%)	17 October 2015
VERGONE, Marina	1545	(43.51%)	
FIELD, Jane	1273	(35.85%)	
Total Valid Votes	3551		
Informal	21	(0.59%)	
Total Votes Received	3572		

CITY OF MELVILLE

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
NEESHAM, Pam	3084	(14.08%)	
MAIR, Katy	3766	(17.20%)	
BARTON, June	5099	(23.28%)	
AUBREY, Russell	9952	(45.44%)	
Total Valid Votes	21901		
Informal	105	(0.48%)	
Total Votes Received	22006		

APPLECROSS-MOUNT PLEASANT

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
LEE, Terry	1372	(39.50%)	
PAZOLLI, Nicholas	2101	(60.50%)	
Total Valid Votes	3473		
Informal	19	(0.54%)	
Total Votes Received	3492		

BICTON-ATTADALE

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
VERSTEEGEN, James	1246	(41.05%)	
TAYLOR-REES, Susanne	1789	(58.95%)	
Total Valid Votes	3035		
Informal	11	(0.36%)	
Total Votes Received	3046		

BULLCREEK-LEEMING

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
WILLIS, Robert	2252	(56.41%)	
SUBRAMANIAM, Rasa	1740	(43.59%)	
Total Valid Votes	3992		
Informal	19	(0.47%)	
Total Votes Received	4011		

CITY		
Candidate	Votes	
MACPHAIL, Duncan	Elected Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0	
Informal	0	(0.00%)
Total Votes Received	0	
Expiry of term 17 October 2015		

PALMYRA-MELVILLE-WILLAGEE		
Candidate	Votes	
HILL, Richard	Elected Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0	
Informal	0	(0.00%)
Total Votes Received	0	
Expiry of term 17 October 2015		

UNIVERSITY		
Candidate	Votes	
REYNOLDS, Mark	Elected Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0	
Informal	0	(0.00%)
Total Votes Received	0	
Expiry of term 17 October 2015		

SHIRE OF MENZIES

RURAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BENNELL, Chris	40	(30.30%)	17 October 2015
TWIGG, Peter	44	(33.33%)	17 October 2015
HANSEN, Damien	34	(25.76%)	19 October 2013
CONKLIN, Russell	14	(10.61%)	
Total Valid Votes	132		
Informal	2	(1.49%)	
Total Votes Received	3631		

TOWN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PURCHASE, Keith	34	(27.64%)	19 October 2013
DWYER, Greg	34	(27.64%)	17 October 2015
LEE, Justin	33	(26.83%)	
LENANE, Jerry John	22	(17.89%)	
Total Valid Votes	123		
Informal	5	(3.91%)	
Total Votes Received	128		

SHIRE OF MERREDIN

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HAYES-THOMPSON, Dionne	608	(11.38%)	17 October 2015
HOOPER, Ken	749	(14.02%)	17 October 2015
MORRIS, Debbie	516	(9.66%)	19 October 2013
ODOWD, Diane Pearl	244	(4.57%)	
CARR, Asha	488	(9.14%)	
ANDERSON, Brad	582	(10.89%)	17 October 2015
FORBES, Pam	461	(8.63%)	
MCFARLANE, Tracey Michelle	724	(13.55%)	17 October 2015
CREES, Mark	607	(11.36%)	17 October 2015
YOUNG, Maria Luigia	363	(6.80%)	
Total Valid Votes	5342		
Informal	8	(0.15%)	
Total Votes Received	5350		

SHIRE OF MOORA

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MCLAGAN, James	374	(15.63%)	17 October 2015
HAWKINS, Christopher David	392	(16.38%)	17 October 2015
TUDOR, Graham T	111	(4.64%)	
KEAMY, Robert	451	(18.85%)	17 October 2015
HUMPHRY, Tracy Georgina	434	(18.14%)	17 October 2015
CECCATO, Peter	301	(12.58%)	
POND, Jim	330	(13.79%)	
Total Valid Votes	2393		
Informal	2	(0.08%)	
Total Votes Received	2395		

TOWN OF MOSMAN PARK

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MOORE, Beth June	332	(18.98%)	17 October 2015
EUSTANCE, Libby	777	(44.43%)	
JOHNSON, Zenda	640	(36.59%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	1749		
Informal	3	(0.17%)	
Total Votes Received	1752		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
POLLOCK, Brett	623	(42.32%)	17 October 2015
CHOMLEY, Colin	395	(26.83%)	19 October 2013
HARCOMBE, Maureen	454	(30.84%)	
Total Valid Votes	1472		
Informal	4	(0.27%)	
Total Votes Received	1476		

SHIRE OF MUNDARING

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
GU, Leona	1211	(28.45%)	17 October 2015
PILGRIM, Alan	1183	(27.79%)	17 October 2015
MCLEAN, Neil	913	(21.45%)	
JOHNSON, Jenny	950	(22.32%)	
Total Valid Votes	4257		
Informal	10	(0.23%)	
Total Votes Received	4267		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
JAMIESON, Max	774	(26.35%)	17 October 2015
FOX, Stephen	942	(32.07%)	17 October 2015
DAW, John	1221	(41.57%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	2937		
Informal	15	(0.51%)	
Total Votes Received	2952		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
KIDDER, Tony	464	(27.55%)	17 October 2015
JONES, Darrell John	1220	(72.45%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	1684		
Informal	11	(0.65%)	
Total Votes Received	1695		

WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
DULLARD, Helen	Elected Unopposed		17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SHIRE OF MURRAY

DISTRICT		
Candidate	Votes	
MENARA, Enzo	Elected Unopposed	
REID, Maree	Elected Unopposed	
BEACHAM, Brenda	Elected Unopposed	
LAMBRECHT, John	Elected Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0	
Informal	0	(0.00%)
Total Votes Received	0	
		Expiry of term
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015

CITY OF NEDLANDS

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
NEGUS, Matthew Stirling	1895	(39.79%)	
HIPKINS, Max	2868	(60.21%)	
Total Valid Votes	4763		
Informal	29	(0.61%)	
Total Votes Received	4792		

COASTAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
MCMANUS, Leo John	655	(56.32%)	
SMYTH, Kerry	508	(43.68%)	
Total Valid Votes	1163		
Informal	8	(0.68%)	
Total Votes Received	1171		

DALKEITH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
PORTER, Joe	1050	(44.57%)	
THOMAS, Kim	327	(13.88%)	
BELL, John	139	(5.90%)	
ARGYLE, Ian Stanley	840	(35.65%)	
Total Valid Votes	2356		
Informal	6	(0.25%)	17 October 2015
Total Votes Received	2362		

HOLLYWOOD

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
WALKER, Kerry	655	(56.27%)	
HARDIN, Matt	509	(43.73%)	
Total Valid Votes	1164		
Informal	7	(0.60%)	
Total Votes Received	1171		

MELVISTA			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
TAN, Irene	403	(19.97%)	17 October 2015 17 October 2015
TYSON, Bronwen	302	(14.97%)	
JAMES, Toni	436	(21.61%)	
SHAW, Nigel Warren	490	(24.28%)	
VAN STRAALLEN, Robert	387	(19.18%)	
Total Valid Votes	2018		
Informal	2	(0.10%)	
Total Votes Received	2020		

SHIRE OF NORTHAM

CENTRAL			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
POULTON, Rupert	164	(34.60%)	
WILLIAMS, Julie	310	(65.40%)	
Total Valid Votes	474		
Informal	5	(1.04%)	
Total Votes Received	479		

EAST			
Candidate SAUNDERS, Kathy Total Valid Votes Informal Total Votes Received	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed		
	0		
	0	(0.00%)	
	0		

TOWN			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015 17 October 2015 19 October 2013
TINETTI, Rob	1166	(28.51%)	
HEAD, Ray	1146	(28.02%)	
BERESFORD, Denis	829	(20.27%)	
MALINOWSKI, Stan	412	(10.07%)	
DOYE, David	537	(13.13%)	
Total Valid Votes	4090		
Informal	10	(0.24%)	
Total Votes Received	4100		

WEST			
Candidate LLEWELLYN, A.W. Bert Total Valid Votes Informal Total Votes Received	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed		
	0		
	0	(0.00%)	
	0		

SHIRE OF PEPPERMINT GROVE

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
THOMAS, Rachel Louise	388	(32.04%)	17 October 2015
HORREX, Dawne Lesley	316	(26.09%)	17 October 2015
WITTENOOM, Charles	302	(24.94%)	17 October 2015
ZAGHLOUL, Hassan	205	(16.93%)	
Total Valid Votes	1211		
Informal	3	(0.25%)	
Total Votes Received	1214		

CITY OF PERTH

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BONTEMPO, Anne	1546	(35.84%)	
SCAFFIDI, Lisa	2768	(64.16%)	
Total Valid Votes	4314		
Informal	25	(0.58%)	
Total Votes Received	4339		

DISTRICT

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
BUTLER, Rob	2151	(14.00%)	17 October 2015
CHEN, Lily	1866	(12.14%)	17 October 2015
ADAMOS, Jim	1845	(12.01%)	17 October 2015
DAVIDSON, Janet	2400	(15.62%)	17 October 2015
NEIL, Peter	589	(3.83%)	
HOURN, Geoff	1552	(10.10%)	
HOPKINS, Chas	1546	(10.06%)	
LIU, Sandra	1728	(11.24%)	
TOGNOLINI, John	1690	(11.00%)	
Total Valid Votes	15367		
Informal	25	(0.16%)	
Total Votes Received	15392		

SHIRE OF PLANTAGANET

DISTRICT		
Candidate	Votes	
MESSMER, Gert Edmund	Elected Unopposed	
BUDRIKIS, Andrus	Elected Unopposed	
PAVLOVICH, Christopher	Elected Unopposed	
CLEMENTS, Ken	Elected Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0	
Informal	0	(0.00%)
Total Votes Received	0	
		Expiry of term
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015

TOWN OF PORT HEDLAND

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MARTIN, Stan	602	(12.12%)	17 October 2015
BLANCO, Camilo	544	(10.96%)	
VRANCIC, Rosie	472	(9.51%)	
JACOB, Gloria Ann	712	(14.34%)	17 October 2015
WILDEN, Ricki	459	(9.24%)	
HEBBARD, Tricia Jayne	540	(10.88%)	
RHODES, Elke	307	(6.18%)	17 October 2015
HUNT, Julie Elizabeth	698	(14.06%)	
DACCACHE, George	631	(12.71%)	
Total Valid Votes	4965		17 October 2015
Informal	8	(0.16%)	
Total Votes Received	4973		

SHIRE OF RAVENSTHORPE

HOPETOUN			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
SMITH, Mary	63	(17.03%)	
TILBROOK, Brenda	130	(35.14%)	
DUNLOP, Keith	177	(47.84%)	
Total Valid Votes	370		
Informal	2	(0.54%)	
Total Votes Received	372		

RAVENSTHORPE				
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015	
	Elected Unopposed			
	Total Valid Votes	0		
	Informal	0		(0.00%)
	Total Votes Received	0		

RURAL				
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term	
	Elected Unopposed			17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed			17 October 2015
	Total Valid Votes	0		
	Informal	0		(0.00%)
	Total Votes Received	0		

CITY OF ROCKINGHAM

COASTAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
WARNER, Brian	794	(29.65%)	
ELLIOTT, Chris	1884	(70.35%)	
Total Valid Votes	2678		
Informal	18	(0.67%)	
Total Votes Received	2696		

ROCKINGHAM

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015 17 October 2015
HILL, Allan	2666	(26.70%)	
STEWART, Joy	2866	(28.70%)	
REILLY, Michael	2529	(25.33%)	
CAMERON, Rosalie	1924	(19.27%)	
Total Valid Votes	9985		
Informal	127	(1.26%)	
Total Votes Received	10112		

SAFETY BAY

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015 17 October 2015
PEASE, Ronald	4008	(35.84%)	
DODD, Les	2779	(24.85%)	
LILEY, Leigh	4396	(39.31%)	
Total Valid Votes	11183		
Informal	83	(0.74%)	
Total Votes Received	11266		

SHIRE OF ROEBOURNE

DAMPIER

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
LALLY, John			17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

KARRATHA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
LOCKWOOD, Nicole Adele	1054	(19.32%)	17 October 2015
MILLER, Janine Lea	855	(15.67%)	17 October 2015
HIPWORTH, David	829	(15.20%)	17 October 2015
LONG, Peter James	1107	(20.29%)	
BERTLING, Margaret	833	(15.27%)	
PARSONS-SMITH, Janette	777	(14.24%)	
Total Valid Votes	5455		19 October 2013
Informal	5	(0.09%)	
Total Votes Received	5460		

ROEBOURNE/PASTORAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
BAILEY, Garry Maxwell Dean			17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

SHIRE OF SERPENTINE-JARRAHDALE

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
KIRKPATRICK, John	657	(20.76%)	17 October 2015
LENZ, Steven	416	(13.14%)	
HARRIS, Merri	573	(18.10%)	19 October 2013
GEURDS, Mike	405	(12.80%)	
RANDALL, Christine Rae	656	(20.73%)	17 October 2015
RICKETTS, Michael	458	(14.47%)	19 October 2013
Total Valid Votes	3165		
Informal	4	(0.13%)	
Total Votes Received	3169		

NORTH WEST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PIIPPONEN, Samuel Peter Paul	414	(39.28%)	17 October 2015
MUIR, Rob	290	(27.51%)	
ATWELL, David Harold	350	(33.21%)	19 October 2013
Total Valid Votes	1054		
Informal	6	(0.57%)	
Total Votes Received	1060		

SOUTHERN

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ATWELL, Ian	408	(10.31%)	17 October 2015
WILSON, Gary	758	(19.16%)	
TWINE, Sheila	377	(9.53%)	17 October 2015
MOORE, Bruce	669	(16.91%)	
URBAN, Barry	664	(16.78%)	19 October 2013
HOYER, Tom	566	(14.30%)	
BUTTFIELD, Carey	515	(13.01%)	
Total Valid Votes	3957		
Informal	5	(0.13%)	
Total Votes Received	3962		

SHIRE OF SHARK BAY

DENHAM			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
RIDGLEY, Greg	134	(20.78%)	
CAPEWELL, Keith	186	(28.84%)	
COWELL, Cheryl	168	(26.05%)	
PRIOR, Margaret	157	(24.34%)	
Total Valid Votes	645		
Informal	1	(0.15%)	
Total Votes Received	646		

USELESS LOOP			
Candidate PEPWORTH, Darren Total Valid Votes Informal Total Votes Received	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed		
	0		
	0	(0.00%)	
	0		

CITY OF SOUTH PERTH

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
DOHERTY, Sue	4001	(52.87%)	
THOMAS, Chris	757	(10.00%)	
BURROWS, Travis	2809	(37.12%)	
Total Valid Votes	7567		
Informal	42	(0.55%)	
Total Votes Received	7609		

CIVIC

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
HASLEBY, Ian	Elected Unopposed		
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

COMO BEACH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
MACMILLAN, Charlotte	200	(16.84%)	
BEST, Peter John	319	(26.85%)	
GLEESON, Bill	669	(56.31%)	
Total Valid Votes	1188		
Informal	8	(0.67%)	
Total Votes Received	1196		

MANNING

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
HOUGH, Frank	411	(33.44%)	
HAWKINS ZEEB, Sharron Lorraine	818	(66.56%)	
Total Valid Votes	1229		
Informal	8	(0.65%)	
Total Votes Received	1237		

MCDUGALL			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed		
	Total Valid Votes	0	
	Informal	0 (0.00%)	
	Total Votes Received	0	

MILL POINT			
Candidate GRAYDEN, Robert James Total Valid Votes Informal Total Votes Received	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected Unopposed		
	0		
	0	(0.00%)	
	0		

MORESBY			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	REID, Fiona	891 (74.13%)	
	STEERS, Tanya	311 (25.87%)	
	Total Valid Votes	1202	
	Informal	11 (0.91%)	
	Total Votes Received	1213	

CITY OF STIRLING

BALGA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
SARGENT, Keith	2287	(46.41%)	
GETTY, Leonie	2196	(44.56%)	
OREB, Clinton Bradley	445	(9.03%)	
Total Valid Votes	4928		
Informal	45	(0.90%)	
Total Votes Received	4973		

COASTAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
MARTINEZ, Cipriano	569	(11.10%)	
STEWART, Bill	2805	(54.73%)	
KELLY, Damien	1751	(34.17%)	
Total Valid Votes	5125		
Informal	34	(0.66%)	
Total Votes Received	5159		

DOUBLEVIEW

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
NOAKES, John	905	(17.93%)	
GUILFOYLE, Andrew	1200	(23.78%)	
PROUD, Stephanie Jane	2942	(58.29%)	
Total Valid Votes	5047		
Informal	39	(0.77%)	
Total Votes Received	5086		

HAMERSLEY			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
EVANS, Mark Trevor	676	(15.62%)	
FALLEN, Ross	995	(22.98%)	
LAZAROV, Vick	809	(18.69%)	
JENKINSON, Samantha	1438	(33.22%)	
MCNEILL, Elaine	411	(9.49%)	
Total Valid Votes	4329		
Informal	33	(0.76%)	
Total Votes Received	4362		

INGLEWOOD			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
LAGAN, David John	2728	(61.58%)	
SCHNEIDER, Abe	1702	(38.42%)	
Total Valid Votes	4430		
Informal	22	(0.49%)	
Total Votes Received	4452		

LAWLEY			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
VANDERPUTT, Glenn Matthew	1062	(25.47%)	
DEVARAPALLI, Venkat	302	(7.24%)	
FERRANTE, Joe	2805	(67.28%)	
Total Valid Votes	4169		
Informal	33	(0.79%)	
Total Votes Received	4202		

OSBORNE			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
ITALIANO, Giovanni	2134	(44.30%)	
VESPOLI, Gino	1465	(30.41%)	
SCHWENDINGER, Jessica	1218	(25.29%)	
Total Valid Votes	4817		
Informal	51	(1.05%)	
Total Votes Received	4868		

CITY OF SUBIACO

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
STONEY, Allan James	576	(27.00%)	17 October 2015
WALTON, Sandra	826	(38.72%)	
GEDERO, Judith	731	(34.27%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	2133		
Informal	10	(0.47%)	
Total Votes Received	2143		

EAST

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MARRIOTT, Sharon	322	(35.23%)	17 October 2015
WELLS, Rodney Edward Lloyd	204	(22.32%)	
MATHESON, Julie	388	(42.45%)	
Total Valid Votes	914		
Informal	10	(1.08%)	
Total Votes Received	924		

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
TRINDER, Garry Alexander	565	(30.72%)	17 October 2015
STROUD, Stephanie	777	(42.25%)	17 October 2015
WHITE, Loren	316	(17.18%)	
HODGE, Rodney	181	(9.84%)	
Total Valid Votes	1839		
Informal	11	(0.59%)	
Total Votes Received	1850		

SOUTH			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	577	(65.12%)	
	309	(34.88%)	
	886		
	4	(0.45%)	
	890		

CITY OF SWAN

ALTONE

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected	Unopposed	
LUCAS, Dave			
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

BALLAJURA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected	Unopposed	
CONGERTON, Mel			
HAYNES, Maria			
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

ELLENBROOK

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
	Elected	Unopposed	
CHEUNG, Natasha			
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

MIDLAND

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
HOLMES, Jon	842	(14.94%)	
HOWLETT, Maura	482	(8.55%)	
ELLIOTT, Mark	1487	(26.39%)	
WAINWRIGHT, Steve	997	(17.69%)	
GREGORINI, Sandra	1360	(24.13%)	17 October 2015
BURTON, Colin R	467	(8.29%)	
Total Valid Votes	5635		
Informal	18	(0.32%)	
Total Votes Received	5653		

SWAN VALLEY/GIDGEGANNUP			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
HENDERSON, Rod	913	(42.41%)	
ZANNINO, Charlie	1240	(57.59%)	
Total Valid Votes	2153		
Informal	13	(0.60%)	
Total Votes Received	2166		

SHIRE OF UPPER GASCOYNE

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
ROBINSON, David	41	(24.40%)	17 October 2015
WATTERS, Greg	27	(16.07%)	17 October 2015
STEELE, Bryan	13	(7.74%)	
MITCHELL - SMITH, Theona	36	(21.43%)	17 October 2015
MCKEOUGH, Alys	22	(13.10%)	
CAUNT, Jim	29	(17.26%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	168		
Informal	1	(0.59%)	
Total Votes Received	169		

TOWN OF VICTORIA PARK

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
VAUGHAN, Trevor			17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

BANKSIA

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
BISSETT, John			17 October 2015
ANDERSON, Claire			17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

JARRAH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected	Unopposed	
NAIRN, Vin			17 October 2015
POTTER, Vicki			17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

CITY OF VINCENT

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MACTIERNAN, Alannah	4493	(62.81%)	17 October 2015
LAKE, Sally	2660	(37.19%)	
Total Valid Votes	7153		
Informal	34	(0.47%)	
Total Votes Received	7187		

NORTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MERLACCO, Angelo	611	(10.61%)	17 October 2015
HARLEY, Roslyn	1416	(24.59%)	
DUNCAN, Adam	749	(13.01%)	17 October 2015
ROSSI, Mark	1389	(24.12%)	
WILCOX, Julia	1594	(27.68%)	
Total Valid Votes	5759		
Informal	12	(0.21%)	
Total Votes Received	5771		

SOUTH

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
CAREY, John	Elected Unopposed		17 October 2015
PINTABONA, John	Elected Unopposed		17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	0		
Informal	0	(0.00%)	
Total Votes Received	0		

CITY OF WANNEROO

MAYOR

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
GUISE, Dianne	6198	(34.22%)	
THOMAS, Martina	1780	(9.83%)	
ROBERTS, Tracey	6832	(37.72%)	
BLENCOWE, Alan Edwin	3304	(18.24%)	
Total Valid Votes	18114		
Informal	715	(3.80%)	
Total Votes Received	18829		

CENTRAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
CVITAN, Frank	2053	(45.69%)	
DONIS, David James	812	(18.07%)	
SEWELL, Russell	1628	(36.23%)	
Total Valid Votes	4493		
Informal	20	(0.44%)	
Total Votes Received	4513		

COASTAL

Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015 17 October 2015
LEWIS, Edie	1588	(29.29%)	
DRIVER, Russell	1803	(33.26%)	
ROBERTS, Tracey	0	(0.00%)	
SMITHSON, Bob	2030	(37.45%)	
Total Valid Votes	5421		
Informal	31	(0.57%)	
Total Votes Received	5452		

NORTH			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015
HEWER, Norman	798	(36.01%)	
MCKEAND, Michael	675	(30.46%)	
LINDAU, Stephen	471	(21.25%)	
GARVEY, Garrick Jeremy	272	(12.27%)	
Total Valid Votes	2216		
Informal	20	(0.89%)	
Total Votes Received	2236		

SOUTH			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term 17 October 2015 17 October 2015 17 October 2015
TIERNEY, Dave	2950	(21.35%)	
TRUONG, Nguyet-Anh	3689	(26.70%)	
HAYDEN, Denis John	3839	(27.79%)	
BLENCOWE, Alan Edwin	3338	(24.16%)	
Total Valid Votes	13816		
Informal	51	(0.37%)	
Total Votes Received	13867		

SHIRE OF WAROONA

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
PANTALEO, Nick	480	(13.84%)	17 October 2015
LOOK, Lina	508	(14.64%)	
WRIGHT, Craig	521	(15.02%)	
SNELL, Laurie	489	(14.10%)	17 October 2015
MASON, John	546	(15.74%)	
O'REILLY CARTER, Zita	375	(10.81%)	
SALERIAN, John	550	(15.85%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	3469		
Informal	4	(0.12%)	
Total Votes Received	3473		

SHIRE OF WEST ARTHUR

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
	Elected Unopposed		
	Elected Unopposed		
	Elected Unopposed		
	0		
	0	(0.00%)	
	0		

SHIRE OF WONGAN-BALLIDU

DISTRICT		
Candidate	Votes	
BARRETT-LENNARD, Hugh	Elected Unopposed	
WEST, Bradley	Elected Unopposed	
BROWN, David	Elected Unopposed	
DE GRUSSA, Tracey	Elected Unopposed	
Total Valid Votes	0	
Informal	0	(0.00%)
Total Votes Received	0	
		Expiry of term
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015
		17 October 2015

Appendix 11 – Election Results (Voting In-Person Elections)

SHIRE OF BROOME

BROOME			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MANDO, Mark	1246	(12.30%)	17 October 2015
POELINA, Anne	1270	(12.54%)	17 October 2015
LANDER, Robert	1208	(11.93%)	
CAMPBELL, Graeme Thomas	1359	(13.42%)	17 October 2015
MITCHELL, Chris	1491	(14.72%)	17 October 2015
MAHER, Chris	1133	(11.19%)	
GALLUS, Stuart	1237	(12.22%)	
CURRAN, Kandy	1182	(11.67%)	
Total Valid Votes	10126		
Informal	6	(0.06%)	
Total Votes Received	10132		

DAMPIER			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
HUNTER, Jillian	86	(26.38%)	
ANGUS, Rohanna	117	(35.89%)	
MATSUMOTO, Philip	123	(37.73%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	326		
Informal	1	(0.31%)	
Total Votes Received	327		

SHIRE OF HALLS CREEK

DISTRICT			
Candidate	Votes		Expiry of term
MCKAY, Kymberley	175	(15.53%)	17 October 2015
BAZ, Domingo	137	(12.16%)	
EDWARDS, Malcolm	262	(23.25%)	
MCCOY, Delia	157	(13.93%)	
BEDFORD, Trevor	192	(17.04%)	17 October 2015
LONG, Robyn	204	(18.10%)	17 October 2015
Total Valid Votes	1127		
Informal	6	(0.53%)	
Total Votes Received	1133		

Appendix 12 – Returning Officers In 2011

Local Government	Returning Officer	Local Government	Returning Officer
City of Albany	Stella Tippet	Shire of Exmouth	Mal McCague
City of Armadale	Peter Zaikos	City of Fremantle	Jeff Clark
Shire of Ashburton	Elisa Etienne	Shire of Gingin	Steven Andreazza
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	Brian Warbey	City of Greater Geraldton	John Brain
Town of Bassendean	Andrew Wilson	City of Gosnells	Shaun Major
City of Bayswater	Louis Zampogna	Shire of Harvey	Reg McIvor
City of Belmont	Mark Dicksbury	Shire of Irwin	Robert Mark
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	Elizabeth Doust	Shire of Jerramungup	Christine Petersen
Shire of Brookton	Ken Head	City of Joondalup	Amanda Lyon
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup	Coral Green	Shire of Kalamunda	John Gilfellon
City of Bunbury	Brian G Price	City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	AJ (Tony) Stephenson
Shire of Busselton	Michael Farren	Shire of Katanning	Douglas Cherry
Town of Cambridge	Louise Foppoli	Shire of Kent	Janet Dye
City of Canning	Peter Mitchell	Town of Kwinana	Vesna Harrison
Shire of Capel	John Richards	Shire of Lake Grace	Terry Gladish
Shire of Carnarvon	Heather Condo	City of Mandurah	Ian Frame
Shire of Chittering	Richard Siudak	City of Melville	Peter Drew
Town of Claremont	Pelham Weir	Shire of Menzies	Jamie Mazza
City of Cockburn	Graeme Brown	Shire of Merredin	Erica Carlson
Shire of Collie	Wendy Grove	Shire of Moora	Kingston Coral
Shire of Coolgardie	Aaron Taaffe	Town of Mosman Park	Ron Camp
Shire of Coorow	Deborah Maley	Shire of Mundaring	Roger Williams
Town of Cottesloe	Mary Petrou	Shire of Murray	Ernest Gobby
Shire of Dandaragan	Peter Lyons	City of Nedlands	David L Brown
Shire of Dardanup	Geoff Webb	Shire of Northam	Robert Dew
Shire of Denmark	Heather Marr	Shire of Peppermint Grove	Ron Van Beek
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	Noel Welsh	City of Perth	Ian Stringall
Shire of East Pilbara	Hanlie Pope	Shire of Plantagenet	Sally Thomas
Shire of Esperance	Carlene Willoughby	Town of Port Hedland	Ben Stevenson

Local Government	Returning Officer	Local Government	Returning Officer
Shire of Ravensthope	Margaret Kelly	City of Swan	Adrian Malkovic
City of Rockingham	Gerd Hepperkausen	Shire of Upper Gascoyne	Lynne Morze-Langan
Shire of Roebourne	Keith Squibb	Town of Victoria Park	Leonie Veitch
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	Caroline Tuthill	City of Vincent	Jennifer Van Den Hoek
Shire of Shark Bay	Ian Bonney	City of Wanneroo	Diane Gearon
City of South Perth	Adrian MacDonald	Shire of Waroona	Peter Reynolds
City of Stirling	Harold Crosby	Shire of West Arthur	Helen Earnshaw
City of Subiaco	Gavin Wibrow	Shire of Wongan-Ballidu	Andrea Bear

Appendix 13 – Late Mail

Local Government	Late Returns	Late Returns as % of Total Packages Sent
City of Albany	178	0.75%
City of Armadale	170	0.45%
Shire of Ashburton	14	0.52%
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	23	0.27%
Town of Bassendean	37	0.38%
City of Bayswater	180	0.45%
City of Belmont	38	0.23%
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	14	0.44%
Shire of Brookton	0	0.00%
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup*		
City of Bunbury	57	0.27%
Shire of Busselton	88	0.42%
Town of Cambridge	41	0.24%
City of Canning	278	0.55%
Shire of Capel	33	0.39%
Shire of Carnarvon	12	0.38%
Shire of Chittering	22	0.74%
Town of Claremont	33	0.50%
City of Cockburn	313	0.56%
Shire of Collie	25	0.43%
Shire of Coolgardie	13	0.77%
Shire of Coorow*		
Town of Cottesloe	14	0.26%
Shire of Dandaragan	17	0.72%
Shire of Dardanup	19	0.24%
Shire of Denmark*		
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	21	0.56%
Shire of East Pilbara	25	1.03%
Shire of Esperance	57	0.65%
Shire of Exmouth	6	0.39%
City of Fremantle	67	0.35%
Shire of Gingin	0	0.00%
City of Gosnells	266	0.43%
City of Greater Geraldton	103	0.45%
Shire of Harvey	45	0.30%
Shire of Irwin	7	0.29%
Shire of Jerramungup	1	0.13%
City of Joondalup	341	0.32%
Shire of Kalamunda	92	0.26%
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	273	1.75%
Shire of Katanning	4	0.16%
Shire of Kent	2	0.44%
Town of Kwinana	59	0.38%
Shire of Lake Grace	9	1.93%
City of Mandurah	141	0.31%
City of Melville	295	0.44%
Shire of Menzies	14	5.28%
Shire of Merredin	12	0.57%
Shire of Moora	19	1.19%
Town of Mosman Park	37	0.65%
Shire of Mundaring	75	0.30%
Shire of Murray*		
City of Nedlands	60	0.42%
Shire of Northam	25	0.37%
Shire of Peppermint Grove	3	0.28%
City of Perth	50	0.48%
Shire of Plantagenet*		

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Town of Port Hedland	27	0.48%
Shire of Ravensthorpe	2	0.16%
City of Rockingham	235	0.45%
Shire of Roebourne	36	0.43%
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	35	0.33%
Shire of Shark Bay	2	0.36%
City of South Perth	113	0.44%
City of Stirling	573	0.45%
City of Subiaco	62	0.55%
City of Swan	76	0.13%
Shire of Upper Gascoyne	3	1.49%
Town of Victoria Park*		
Town of Vincent	117	0.59%
City of Wanneroo	467	0.56%
Shire of Waroona	4	0.16%
Shire of West Arthur*		
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu*		
TOTAL	5,480	0.49%

Late mail as a percentage of packages sent. Statistics of late mail collated from a 5 day period to 21 October 2011 inclusive.

*Shires of Broomehill-Tambellup, Coorow, Denmark, Murray, Plantagenet, West Arthur, Wongan-Ballidu and the Town of Victoria Park did not proceed to a full election.

Appendix 14 – Unclaimed Mail

Local Government	Unclaimed	Unclaimed mail as % of total packages sent
City of Albany	539	2.28%
City of Armadale	494	1.31%
Shire of Ashburton	157	5.87%
Shire of Augusta-Margaret River	72	0.86%
Town of Bassendean	164	1.70%
City of Bayswater	888	2.20%
City of Belmont	201	1.21%
Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes	67	2.10%
Shire of Brookton	16	2.32%
Shire of Broomehill-Tambellup*	0	
City of Bunbury	446	2.13%
Shire of Busselton	446	2.11%
Town of Cambridge	54	0.31%
City of Canning	746	1.48%
Shire of Capel	228	2.70%
Shire of Carnarvon	144	4.53%
Shire of Chittering	82	2.76%
Town of Claremont	127	1.93%
City of Cockburn	833	1.48%
Shire of Collie	93	1.58%
Shire of Coolgardie	103	6.07%
Shire of Coorow	0	
Town of Cottesloe	49	0.91%
Shire of Dandaragan	95	4.02%
Shire of Dardanup	112	1.41%
Shire of Denmark*	0	
Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup	99	2.63%
Shire of East Pilbara	171	7.03%
Shire of Esperance	308	3.52%
Shire of Exmouth	100	6.44%
City of Fremantle	251	1.33%
Shire of Gingin	9	0.33%
City of Gosnells	870	1.42%
City of Greater Geraldton	518	2.25%
Shire of Harvey	430	2.86%
Shire of Irwin	89	3.66%
Shire of Jerramungup	41	5.53%
City of Joondalup	1,194	1.14%
Shire of Kalamunda	125	0.35%
City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder	559	3.58%
Shire of Katanning	120	4.88%
Shire of Kent	27	5.99%
Town of Kwinana	274	1.76%
Shire of Lake Grace	13	2.79%
City of Mandurah	965	2.09%
City of Melville	889	1.35%
Shire of Menzies	15	5.66%
Shire of Merredin	45	2.15%
Shire of Moora	49	3.06%
Town of Mosman Park	113	1.99%
Shire of Mundaring	354	1.43%
Shire of Murray*	0	
City of Nedlands	214	1.49%
Shire of Northam	171	2.53%
Shire of Peppermint Grove	14	1.30%
City of Perth	497	4.78%

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Shire of Plantagenet*	0	
Town of Port Hedland	425	7.50%
Shire of Ravensthorpe	19	1.54%
City of Rockingham	1,076	2.06%
Shire of Roebourne	298	3.53%
Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale	213	1.99%
Shire of Shark Bay	59	10.54%
City of South Perth	605	2.35%
City of Stirling	2,219	1.75%
City of Subiaco	372	3.29%
City of Swan	422	2.20%
Shire of Upper Gascoyne	55	27.36%
Town of Victoria Park*	0	
City of Vincent	474	2.38%
City of Wanneroo	1,260	1.50%
Shire of Waroona	66	2.65%
Shire of West Arthur*	0	
Shire of Wongan-Ballidu*	0	
TOTAL	22,243	2.00%

Record of unclaimed mail received to 11 November 2011.

*Shires of Broomehill-Tambellup, Coorow, Denmark, Murray, Plantagenet, West Arthur, Wongan-Ballidu and the Town of Victoria Park did not proceed to a full election.

Appendix 15 – Enrolment and Voter Participation for Local Governments Using the Postal Election Process in 2009 and 2011

District	Enrolment in 2009	Voter Participation in 2009	Participation %	Enrolment in 2011	Voter Participation in 2011	Participation %
Albany ⁺⁺	19,101	8,109	42.45%	23,610	10,930	46.3%
Armadale	30,693	9,392	30.60%	32,636	9,892	30.3%
Ashburton	2,156	784	36.36%	1,953	590	30.2%
Augusta-Margaret River	5,734	2,633	45.92%	2,470	1,350	54.7%
Bassendean	9,803	3,652	37.25%	9,634	3,178	33.0%
Bayswater*	40,861	5,408	13.24%	40,076	10,665	26.6%
Belmont	15,367	5,514	35.9%	6,572	2,028	30.9%
Bridgetown-Greenbushes	2,638	1,218	46.2%	3,158	1,589	50.3%
Brookton		No election		689	411	59.7%
Broomehill-Tambellup		No election			No election	
Bunbury ⁺	21,053	8,063	38.3%	20,896	6,507	31.1%
Busselton	20,080	8,049	40.1%	21,124	7,498	35.5%
Cambridge ⁺⁺	17,270	5,489	31.8%	8,394	2,701	32.2%
Canning ⁺	50,797	15,625	30.8%	50,346	14,368	28.5%
Capel	7,678	2,716	35.4%	8,420	2,461	29.2%
Carnarvon ⁺⁺	2,434	960	39.4%	3,140	1,431	45.6%
Chittering	2,718	1,062	39.1%	2,948	1,067	36.2%
Claremont ⁺	6,509	2,860	43.9%	6,561	2,637	40.2%
Cockburn ⁺	53,631	17,619	32.9%	56,277	15,159	26.9%
Collie	5,904	2,517	42.6%	5,862	2,300	39.2%
Coolgardie	1,769	785	44.6%	1,646	755	45.9%
Coorow	1,119	626	55.9%		No election	
Cottesloe ⁺	961	488	50.8%	2,542	962	37.8%
Cuballing ^{**}		No election		566	149	26.33%
Dandaraqan*	2,288	688	30.07%	2,339	1,273	54.4%
Dardanup	7,621	2,443	32.1%	7,927	2,656	33.5%
Denmark	3,147	1,736	55.2%		No election	
Donnybrook-Balingup		No election		3,746	1,601	42.7%
East Pilbara	2,781	871	31.3%	2,348	633	27.0%
Esperance		No election		8,664	4,071	47.0%
Exmouth	1,503	772	51.4%	1,534	864	56.3%
Fremantle ⁺	18,883	8,856	46.9%	9,613	3,449	35.9%
Ginquin	1,541	923	59.9%	458	236	51.5%
Gnowangerup ^{**}		No election			No election	
Gosnells	60,854	15,430	25.4%	61,081	14,572	23.9%
Greater Geraldton ⁺⁺				22,858	8,300	36.3%
Harvey*	14,549	2,015	13.85%	15,015	4,587	30.5%
Irwin	2,295	1,383	60.3%	2,401	1,213	50.5%
Jerramunup		No election		727	419	57.6%
Joondalup ⁺	105,137	28,268	26.9%	86,090	20,502	23.8%
Kalamunda	26,609	9,742	36.6%	8,766	3,013	34.4%
Kalgoorlie-Boulder ⁺⁺	15,878	5,002	30.5%	15,514	5,390	34.7%
Katanning	2,467	1,339	54.3%	2,440	1,187	48.6%
Kwinana	15003	4880	32.5%			

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District	Enrolment in 2009	Voter Participation in 2009	Participation %	Enrolment in 2011	Voter Participation in 2011	Participation %
Kent*	431	256	59.40%	444	247	55.6%
Kwinana	15,003	4,880	32.5%	15,578	4,088	26.2%
Lake Grace	590	359	60.8%	466	293	62.9%
Mandurah [†]	43,346	17,298	39.9%	46,145	15,677	34.0%
Melville ^{††}	56,764	20,572	36.2%	66,676	23,278	34.9%
Menzies*	179	28	15.64%	264	129	48.9%
Merredin	2,018	993	49.2%	2,034	1,042	51.2%
Moora	1,563	761	48.8%	1,566	701	44.8%
Mosman Park [†]	5,634	1,890	33.5%	5,656	1,997	35.3%
Mundaring	24,439	8,402	34.4%	19,013	6,139	32.3%
Murray	3,259	1,263	39.0%		No election	
Nedlands ^{††}	14,318	5,654	39.5%	14,229	5,146	36.2%
Northam	4,097	1,670	40.8%	5,203	2,085	40.1%
Peppermint Grove	1,075	552	51.3%	1,070	479	44.8%
Perth ^{††}	10,513	3,671	34.9%	10,230	4,584	44.8%
Plantagenet	3,229	1,594	49.4%		No election	
Port Hedland*	5,439	1,381	25.39%	5,546	1,544	27.8%
Ravensthorpe	477	287	60.2%	556	386	69.4%
Rockingham	50,713	17,057	33.6%	52,278	16,208	31.0%
Roebourne	7,092	2,144	30.2%	6,255	1,942	31.0%
Serpentine-Jarrahdale	4,700	1,719	36.6%	10,726	3,505	32.7%
Shark Bay	578	380	65.7%	481	264	54.9%
South Perth ^{††}	21,635	7,605	35.2%	25,679	8,097	31.5%
Stirling	127,015	38,036	29.9%	126,920	35,131	27.7%
Subiaco [†]	8,677	3,535	40.7%	11,196	4,343	38.8%
Swan	50,038	15,966	31.9%	19,221	5,718	29.7%
Upper Gascoyne		No election		201	59	29.4%
Victoria Park ^{††}	9,738	3,232	33.2%		No election	
Vincent ^{††}	19,936	6,194	31.1%	19,834	7,604	38.3%
Wanneroo ^{††}	56,334	15,746	28.0%	83,852	20,586	24.6%
Waroona		No election		2,481	1,082	43.6%
West Arthur		No election			No election	
Wongan-Ballidu*		No election			No election	
TOTAL	1,084,504	361,845	33.37%	1,114,275	344,799	30.94%
Total of local governments –contested postal elections			59	66		

Enrolment – Elector figures for contested elections only.

Voter Participation –

Comparative Statistics 2009 and 2011 – participation rate for contested postal elections. In-person elections are shown in **bold italics**, the data for which is not included in the total.

** in-person voting method in 2011

* in-person voting method in 2009

†† Mayoral/Presidential Election in 2011

+ Mayoral Election in 2009

Appendix 16 –Participation Rate for In-Person Elections Conducted in October 2011

Name	Electors in Contested Wards	Voters	Participation %
Beverley	441	128	29.02%
Boddington	974	408	41.89%
Boyup Brook	217	40	18.43%
Broome	7,793	2,933	37.64%
Bruce Rock	697	341	42.02%
Chapman Valley	742	153	20.62%
Cranbrook	750	410	54.67%
Cuballing	566	149	26.33%
Dalwallinu	848	261	30.78%
Derby/West Kimberley	3,426	471	13.75%
Halls Creek	1,571	416	26.48%
Koorda	331	175	52.87%
Kulin	217	107	49.31%
Leonora	619	212	34.25%
Manjimup	1,147	274	23.89%
Morowa	481	212	44.07%
Mount Magnet	318	124	38.99%
Mount Marshall	384	216	56.25%
Narrogin (Shire)	637	100	15.70%
Ngaanyatjarraku	930	296	31.83%
Nungarin	73	51	69.86%
Pingelly	830	311	37.47%
Quairading	792	259	32.70%
Toodyay	973	226	23.23%
Wandering	324	195	60.19%
Woodanilling	290	129	44.48%
Wyalkatchem	403	152	37.72%
Wyndham-East Kimberley	3,603	863	23.95%
York	2,457	1,106	45.01%
Total	32,834	10,718	32.64%

Data Source: Department of Local Government

Appendix 17 – Comparative Statistics for Postal Elections 2007, 2009 and 2011 Ordinary Elections

District	2007 Enrolment	2007 Voter Participation	Participation %	2009 Enrolment	2009 Voter Participation	Participation %	2011 Enrolment	2011 Voter Participation	Participation %
Albanv	22,813	11,955	52.4%	19,101	8,109	42.5%	23,610	10,930	46.3%
Armadales	29,938	9,364	31.3%	30,693	9,392	30.6%	32,636	9,892	30.3%
Ashburton	743	299	40.2%	2,156	784	36.4%	1,953	590	30.2%
Augusta-Margaret River	4,869	2,285	46.9%	5,734	2,633	45.9%	2,470	1,350	54.7%
Bassendean	9,768	3,451	35.3%	9,803	3,652	37.3%	9,634	3,178	33.0%
Bayswater	40,646	12,874	31.7%				40,076	10,665	26.6%
Belmont	17,015	6,338	37.3%	15,367	5,514	35.9%	6,572	2,028	30.9%
Bridgetown-Greenbushes	3,027	1,753	57.9%	2,638	1,218	46.2%	3,158	1,589	50.3%
Brookton							689	411	59.7%
Broomehill-Tambellup*					No election			No election	
Bunbury	20,868	6,135	29.4%	21,053	8,063	38.3%	20,896	6,507	31.1%
Busselton	18,984	7,917	41.7%	20,080	8,049	40.1%	21,124	7,498	35.5%
Cambridge	17,065	6,446	37.8%	17,270	5,489	31.8%	8,394	2,701	32.2%
Canning	34,588	12,065	34.9%	50,797	15,625	30.8%	50,346	14,368	28.5%
Capel	6,959	2,470	35.5%	7,678	2,716	35.4%	8,420	2,461	29.2%
Carnarvon				2,434	960	39.4%	3,140	1,431	45.6%
Chittering	2,500	1,160	46.4%	2,718	1,062	39.1%	2,948	1,067	36.2%
Claremont	3,972	1,513	38.1%	6,509	2,860	43.9%	6,561	2,637	40.2%
Cockburn	50,924	16,417	32.2%	53,631	17,619	32.9%	56,277	15,159	26.9%
Collie	5,947	2,534	42.6%	5,904	2,517	42.6%	5,862	2,300	39.2%
Coolgardie	1,897	678	35.7%	1,769	785	44.6%	1,646	755	45.9%
Coorow*				1,119	626	55.9%		No election	
Cottesloe	3,245	1,507	46.4%	961	488	50.8%	2,542	962	37.8%
Cuballing		No election			No election				
Cue	198	137	69.2%						
Dandaraqan							2,339	1,273	54.4%
Dardanup	6,989	2,399	34.3%	7,621	2,443	32.1%	7,927	2,656	33.5%
Denmark*	2,433	1,441	59.2%	3,147	1,736	55.2%		No election	
Donnybrook-Balingup		No election			No election		3,746	1,601	42.7%

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District	2007 Enrolment	2007 Voter Participation	Participation %	2009 Enrolment	2009 Voter Participation	Participation %	2011 Enrolment	2011 Voter Participation	Participation %
East Pilbara	2,417	740	30.6%	2,781	871	31.3%	2,348	633	27.0%
Esperance	2,719	960	35.3%		No election		8,664	4,071	47.0%
Exmouth	1,473	772	52.4%	1,503	772	51.4%	1,534	864	56.3%
Fremantle	15,326	6,622	43.2%	18,883	8,856	46.9%	9,613	3,449	35.9%
Geraldton-Greenough	21,601	8,701	40.3%	15,592	5,459	35.0%			
Gingin	1,067	692	64.9%	1,541	923	59.9%	458	236	51.5%
Gnowangerup					No election				
Gosnells	58,717	15,605	26.6%	60,854	15,430	25.4%	61,081	14,572	23.9%
Greater Geraldton							22,858	8,300	36.3%
Harvey							15,015	4,587	30.5%
Irwin				2,295	1,383	60.3%	2,401	1,213	50.5%
Jerramunqup					No election		727	419	57.6%
Joondalup	51,164	13,901	27.2%	105,137	28,268	26.9%	86,090	20,502	23.8%
Kalamunda	34,598	12,474	36.1%	26,609	9,742	36.6%	8,766	3,013	34.4%
Kalgoorlie-Boulder	15,865	5,804	36.6%	15,878	5,002	30.5%	15,514	5,390	34.7%
Katanning	2,519	1,293	51.3%	2,467	1,339	54.3%	2,440	1,187	48.6%
Kent							444	247	55.6%
Kwinana	14,129	4,667	33.0%	15,003	4,880	32.5%	15,578	4,088	26.2%
Lake Grace	1,091	706	64.7%	590	359	60.8%	466	293	62.9%
Mandurah	40,598	14,625	36.0%	43,346	17,298	39.9%	46,145	15,677	34.0%
Melville	67,169	25,267	37.6%	56,764	20,572	36.2%	66,676	23,278	34.9%
Menzies							264	129	48.9%
Merredin	2,097	954	45.5%	2,018	993	49.2%	2,034	1,042	51.2%
Moorabool				1,563	761	48.8%	1,566	701	44.8%
Mosman Park				5,634	1,890	33.5%	5,656	1,997	35.3%
Mount Marshall	394	290	73.6%						
Mundaring	23,944	8,866	37.0%	24,439	8,402	34.4%	19,013	6,139	32.3%
Murray*	8,826	4,016	48.0%	3,259	1,263	39.0%		No election	
Nedlands	14,266	5,555	38.9%	14,318	5,654	39.5%	14,229	5,146	36.2%
Northam	6,638	3,313	49.9%	4,097	1,670	40.8%	5,203	2,085	40.1%

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District	2007 Enrolment	2007 Voter Participation	Participation %	2009 Enrolment	2009 Voter Participation	Participation %	2011 Enrolment	2011 Voter Participation	Participation %
Northampton	2,415	1,356	56.2%						
Peppermint Grove				1,075	552	51.3%	1,070	479	44.8%
Perth	10,513	5,024	47.8%	10,513	3,671	34.9%	10,230	4,584	44.8%
Plantagenet	1,008	581	57.6%	3,229	1,594	49.4%		No election	
Port Hedland							5,546	1,544	27.8%
Ravensthorpe				477	287	60.2%	556	386	69.4%
Rockingham	49,972	17,258	34.5%	50,713	17,057	33.6%	52,278	16,208	31.0%
Roebourne	6,121	1,657	27.1%	7,092	2,144	30.2%	6,255	1,942	31.0%
Serpentine-Jarrahdale	2,503	900	36.0%	4,700	1,719	36.6%	10,726	3,505	32.7%
Shark Bay				578	380	65.7%	481	264	54.9%
South Perth	25,362	7,959	31.4%	21,635	7,605	35.2%	25,679	8,097	31.5%
Stirling	108,189	32,229	29.8%	127,015	38,036	29.9%	126,920	35,131	27.7%
Subiaco	11,480	4,261	37.1%	8,677	3,535	40.7%	11,196	4,343	38.8%
Swan	32,908	10,653	32.4%	50,038	15,966	31.9%	19,221	5,718	29.7%
Upper Gascoyne	205	97	47.3%		No election		201	59	29.4%
Victoria Park*	18,200	6,985	38.4%	9,738	3,232	33.2%		No election	
Vincent	19,864	7,294	36.7%	19,936	6,194	31.1%	19,834	7,604	38.3%
Wanneroo	70,162	17,020	24.3%	56,334	15,746	28.0%	83,852	20,586	24.6%
Waroona	2,408	1,186	49.3%		No election		2,481	1,082	43.6%
West Arthur*					No election			No election	
Wongan-Ballidu*	1,027	642	62.5%					No election	
TOTAL	1,054,343	362,062	34.34%	1,084,504	361,845	33.37%	1,114,275	344,799	30.94%
Number of local governments – contested postal elections	59			59			66		

*Shires of Broomehill-Tambellup, Coorow, Denmark, Murray, Plantagenet, West Arthur, Wongan Ballidu and the Town of Victoria Park did not proceed to a full election in 2011.

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