

Media key facts and figures

Federal election 2010

Enrolment Key Facts

- 14 088 260 Australians are enrolled to vote for the 2010 federal election (this includes 17 year olds who turn 18 before or on election day).
- 1 522 991 Australians aged 18 to 24 years are enrolled to vote for the 2010 federal election.

Nominations Key Facts

- 1198 candidates have nominated for the 2010 federal election.
- 849 candidates have nominated for the House of Representatives.
- 349 candidates have nominated for the Senate.

Polling arrangement estimates

- There will be approximately 7 700 polling places around Australia on election day.
- There will be over 500 early voting centres around Australia.
- Voting services will be available at diplomatic missions overseas.
- There will be 38 mobile polling teams visiting almost 400 remote locations across Australia.
- There will be 450 mobile teams visiting over 2 400 special hospitals.
- Information explaining how to vote in 21 languages will be available at every polling place.

Election resources estimates

- Over 43 million ballot papers are printed.
- Over 50 000 ballot boxes are produced.
- Over 150 000 voting screens are produced.
- Approximately 14 000 recycling bins are produced (this includes items recovered for re-use after the 2007 federal election).
- Approximately 100 000 pencils are required.
- Approximately 140 kilometres of string is required.
- Approximately 8 million households will receive the 'Your official guide to the 2010 federal election'. The guide will be also published in audio, E-text and braille formats.
- Approximately 70 000 temporary staff will be employed.
- Approximately 500 election call centre operators have been trained.
- The election call centre will operate from 8am to 8pm, 7 days a week, and 7am to 9pm on election day.
- The 2010 federal election will cost over \$100 million, plus public funding payments of approximately \$60 million.
- The public funding for candidates if they achieve at least 4% of the formal first preference vote will be \$2.31.

National Tally Room

- It takes the AEC approximately 15 days to set up the National Tally Room (NTR).
- It takes 120 electoral commission staff to run the NTR.
- There will be approximately 100 computer terminals operating on election night.
- 15km of data cable are required for networking.
- Up to 650 amps are required to run the NTR.

Want more information?

For more information visit the AEC website at www.aec.gov.au or call us on **13 23 26**.

Virtual Tally Room

- The Virtual Tally Room will contain 1 200 pages on election night.
- Results will be updated regularly election night and in the post election period.

Divisional Facts

- Geographically, Wentworth is the smallest division in Australia.
- Geographically, Durack is the largest division in Australia.



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