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Informal Ballot Paper Study, 2016 House of Representatives elections

Divisional summaries: Victoria

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Notes for divisional summaries

Number of candidates

The number of candidates on the ballot paper for each division has been added to divisional summaries for the 2016 House of Representatives elections. A higher number of candidates may have an impact on informality categories as it increases the likelihood of voters making errors while marking their ballot (i.e. non-sequential numbering), or simply choosing to stop numbering at a given point (i.e. incomplete numbering).

Demographic rating

The following demographic ratings are applied to divisions:

- *Inner metropolitan*: located in a capital city and comprising well-established, built-up suburbs.
- *Outer metropolitan*: located in capital cities and containing areas of more recent urban expansion.
- *Provincial*: divisions with a majority of enrolment in major provincial cities.
- *Rural*: divisions without a majority of enrolment in major provincial cities.

Swings

Percentage point swings for turnout and formality are included to show how these measures have increased or decreased between the 2013 and 2016 federal elections (a positive swing indicates the measure has increased, while a negative swing indicates it has decreased). Calculations for swings account for the redistribution of divisional boundaries.

Informality categories

For the purposes of these divisional summaries, informal ballot papers have been grouped into the following categories:

- Totally blank ballots
- Ballots with incomplete numbering
 - Those with a number '1' only
 - All other ballots with incomplete numbering
- Ballots with ticks and crosses
- Ballots with other symbols
- Ballots with non-sequential numbering
- Ballots with scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks
- Ballots with illegible numbering
- Ballots where the voter has been identified

- Other informal ballot papers

Counts by informality category are divided between ballot papers showing a clear first preference and those with no clear first preference.

- Ballot papers that are informal due to incomplete numbering or voter identification will always show a clear first preference.
- Similarly, ballot papers that are totally blank or that have been placed in the category for scribbles/slogans or protest vote marks will never show a clear first preference.

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates

For the purposes of these divisional summaries, polling places include static polling places and pre-poll voting centres, as well as votes cast through mobile polling teams. Polling places or teams that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total (i.e. formal and informal votes combined) are excluded.

Aston

Number of candidates: 7

Demographic rating: Outer Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	96,043	..	..
Turnout	89,111	92.78	-1.95
Informal votes	3,525	3.96	-0.57

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	53,058	2,439	55,497	4.39
Absent	3,602	154	3,756	4.10
Postal	9,428	150	9,578	1.57
Pre-poll ordinary	16,219	679	16,898	4.02
Pre-poll declaration	2,997	93	3,090	3.01
Provisional	282	10	292	3.42
Total	85,586	3,525	89,111	3.96

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,017	1,017	28.9
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	314	..	314	8.9
Incomplete numbering – other	147	..	147	4.2
Ticks and crosses	146	41	187	5.3
Other symbols	65	11	76	2.2
Non-sequential numbering	474	169	643	18.2
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	968	968	27.5
Illegible numbering	54	40	94	2.7
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	12	67	79	2.2
Total	1,212	2,313	3,525	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Special Hospital Team 1	25	259	9.65
Lowest % informal	Wantirna West	42	1,644	2.55

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 54,939 votes cast at 29 static polling places and 558 votes cast through four mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Ballarat

Number of candidates: 8

Demographic rating: Provincial

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	110,755	..	..
Turnout	103,168	93.15	-1.77
Informal votes	5,461	5.29	+0.63

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	54,627	3,288	57,915	5.68
Absent	3,235	204	3,439	5.93
Postal	8,288	163	8,451	1.93
Pre-poll ordinary	27,825	1,637	29,462	5.56
Pre-poll declaration	3,003	115	3,118	3.69
Provisional	729	54	783	6.90
Total	97,707	5,461	103,168	5.29

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,236	1,236	22.6
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	410	..	410	7.5
Incomplete numbering – other	1,071	..	1,071	19.6
Ticks and crosses	99	39	138	2.5
Other symbols	84	21	105	1.9
Non-sequential numbering	748	263	1,011	18.5
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,195	1,195	21.9
Illegible numbering	93	48	141	2.6
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	52	102	154	2.8
Total	2,557	2,904	5,461	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Wendouree West	82	703	11.66
Lowest % informal	Ballarat North West	38	1,432	2.65

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 57,154 votes cast at 51 static polling places and 761 votes cast through two mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Batman

Number of candidates: 11

Demographic rating: Inner Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	108,935	..	..
Turnout	97,702	89.69	-1.91
Informal votes	7,601	7.78	+2.02

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	53,833	5,334	59,167	9.02
Absent	5,196	457	5,653	8.08
Postal	9,052	320	9,372	3.41
Pre-poll ordinary	17,039	1,177	18,216	6.46
Pre-poll declaration	4,674	281	4,955	5.67
Provisional	307	32	339	9.44
Total	90,101	7,601	97,702	7.78

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference no.	No clear first preference no.	Total no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,083	1,083	14.2
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	516	..	516	6.8
Incomplete numbering – other	1,585	..	1,585	20.9
Ticks and crosses	217	107	324	4.3
Other symbols	96	17	113	1.5
Non-sequential numbering	1,973	411	2,384	31.4
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	943	943	12.4
Illegible numbering	274	121	395	5.2
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	128	130	258	3.4
Total	4,789	2,812	7,601	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal Special Hospital Team 1	48	251	19.12
Lowest % informal Clifton Hill	51	1,565	3.26

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 58,620 votes cast at 41 static polling places and 547 votes cast through two mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Bendigo

Number of candidates: 8

Demographic rating: Provincial

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	109,604	..	..
Turnout	102,208	93.25	-2.08
Informal votes	4,705	4.60	-1.11

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	59,446	3,209	62,655	5.12
Absent	3,176	192	3,368	5.70
Postal	8,660	190	8,850	2.15
Pre-poll ordinary	22,151	931	23,082	4.03
Pre-poll declaration	3,815	168	3,983	4.22
Provisional	255	15	270	5.56
Total	97,503	4,705	102,208	4.60

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,116	1,116	23.7
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	322	..	322	6.8
Incomplete numbering – other	877	..	877	18.6
Ticks and crosses	76	30	106	2.3
Other symbols	71	16	87	1.8
Non-sequential numbering	769	163	932	19.8
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,008	1,008	21.4
Illegible numbering	115	51	166	3.5
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	24	67	91	1.9
Total	2,254	2,451	4,705	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Elmore	34	446	7.62
Lowest % informal	Mandurang	12	552	2.17

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 61,542 votes cast at 57 static polling places and 1,113 votes cast through four mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Bruce

Number of candidates: 7

Demographic rating: Outer Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	96,742	..	..
Turnout	87,076	90.01	-2.27
Informal votes	4,064	4.67	-0.83

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	51,546	2,949	54,495	5.41
Absent	3,812	224	4,036	5.55
Postal	11,139	235	11,374	2.07
Pre-poll ordinary	12,499	486	12,985	3.74
Pre-poll declaration	3,606	146	3,752	3.89
Provisional	410	24	434	5.53
Total	83,012	4,064	87,076	4.67

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference no.	No clear first preference no.	Total no.	%
Totally blank	..	836	836	20.6
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	401	..	401	9.9
Incomplete numbering – other	162	..	162	4.0
Ticks and crosses	332	73	405	10.0
Other symbols	62	7	69	1.7
Non-sequential numbering	833	193	1,026	25.2
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	909	909	22.4
Illegible numbering	100	41	141	3.5
Voter identified	5	..	5	0.1
Other	16	94	110	2.7
Total	1,911	2,153	4,064	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal Noble Park (Bruce)	26	275	9.45
Lowest % informal Divisional Office (PREPOLL)	12	670	1.79

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 54,086 votes cast at 34 static polling places and 409 votes cast through three mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Calwell

Number of candidates: 5

Demographic rating: Outer Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	109,405	..	..
Turnout	96,134	87.87	-3.06
Informal votes	6,286	6.54	-1.38

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	53,465	4,318	57,783	7.47
Absent	5,126	308	5,434	5.67
Postal	6,853	161	7,014	2.30
Pre-poll ordinary	18,773	1,241	20,014	6.20
Pre-poll declaration	4,958	208	5,166	4.03
Provisional	673	50	723	6.92
Total	89,848	6,286	96,134	6.54

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference no.	No clear first preference no.	Total no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,808	1,808	28.8
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	667	..	667	10.6
Incomplete numbering – other	119	..	119	1.9
Ticks and crosses	557	84	641	10.2
Other symbols	62	12	74	1.2
Non-sequential numbering	717	359	1,076	17.1
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,629	1,629	25.9
Illegible numbering	69	76	145	2.3
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	21	106	127	2.0
Total	2,212	4,074	6,286	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal Campbellfield	210	1,739	12.08
Lowest % informal Divisional Office (PREPOLL)	4	119	3.36

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 57,607 votes cast at 29 static polling places and 176 votes cast through a mobile polling (Special Hospital) team.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Casey

Number of candidates: 6

Demographic rating: Rural

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	102,908	..	..
Turnout	95,851	93.14	-1.81
Informal votes	3,620	3.78	-0.84

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	57,052	2,524	59,576	4.24
Absent	4,026	183	4,209	4.35
Postal	11,507	215	11,722	1.83
Pre-poll ordinary	15,847	560	16,407	3.41
Pre-poll declaration	3,493	119	3,612	3.29
Provisional	306	19	325	5.85
Total	92,231	3,620	95,851	3.78

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference no.	No clear first preference no.	Total no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,231	1,231	34.0
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	333	..	333	9.2
Incomplete numbering – other	69	..	69	1.9
Ticks and crosses	140	18	158	4.4
Other symbols	55	12	67	1.9
Non-sequential numbering	326	185	511	14.1
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,107	1,107	30.6
Illegible numbering	33	42	75	2.1
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	14	55	69	1.9
Total	970	2,650	3,620	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal Special Hospital Team 1	24	347	6.92
Lowest % informal Kallista (Casey)	14	699	2.00

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 59,141 votes cast at 46 static polling places and 435 votes cast through two mobile polling teams (347 votes cast through a Special Hospital team and 88 votes cast through an Other Mobile team).

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Chisholm

Number of candidates: 6

Demographic rating: Inner Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	97,424	..	..
Turnout	89,159	91.52	-1.83
Informal votes	2,439	2.74	-1.49

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	50,264	1,552	51,816	3.00
Absent	4,985	161	5,146	3.13
Postal	13,013	203	13,216	1.54
Pre-poll ordinary	14,205	417	14,622	2.85
Pre-poll declaration	3,974	99	4,073	2.43
Provisional	279	7	286	2.45
Total	86,720	2,439	89,159	2.74

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference no.	No clear first preference no.	Total no.	%
Totally blank	..	731	731	30.0
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	214	..	214	8.8
Incomplete numbering – other	60	..	60	2.5
Ticks and crosses	136	23	159	6.5
Other symbols	25	3	28	1.1
Non-sequential numbering	323	114	437	17.9
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	628	628	25.7
Illegible numbering	51	53	104	4.3
Voter identified	2	..	2	0.1
Other	12	64	76	3.1
Total	823	1,616	2,439	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal Special Hospital Team 2	23	357	6.44
Lowest % informal Mont Albert	22	1,340	1.64

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 51,388 votes cast at 33 static polling places and 428 votes cast through four mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Corangamite

Number of candidates: 10

Demographic rating: Provincial

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	110,277	..	..
Turnout	103,598	93.94	-1.60
Informal votes	5,181	5.00	+0.57

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	53,223	3,028	56,251	5.38
Absent	4,075	296	4,371	6.77
Postal	11,600	290	11,890	2.44
Pre-poll ordinary	25,121	1,352	26,473	5.11
Pre-poll declaration	4,161	195	4,356	4.48
Provisional	237	20	257	7.78
Total	98,417	5,181	103,598	5.00

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference no.	No clear first preference no.	Total no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,041	1,041	20.1
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	267	..	267	5.2
Incomplete numbering – other	1,067	..	1,067	20.6
Ticks and crosses	53	29	82	1.6
Other symbols	69	14	83	1.6
Non-sequential numbering	1,356	194	1,550	29.9
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	779	779	15.0
Illegible numbering	152	64	216	4.2
Voter identified	1	..	1	0.0
Other	21	74	95	1.8
Total	2,986	2,195	5,181	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal Special Hospital Team 2	40	273	14.65
Lowest % informal Lavers Hill	1	116	0.86

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 55,469 votes cast at 52 static polling places and 782 votes cast through three mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Corio

Number of candidates: 7

Demographic rating: Provincial

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	107,808	..	..
Turnout	98,996	91.83	-2.33
Informal votes	4,561	4.61	-0.69

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	54,454	2,899	57,353	5.05
Absent	3,310	166	3,476	4.78
Postal	9,117	179	9,296	1.93
Pre-poll ordinary	24,696	1,207	25,903	4.66
Pre-poll declaration	2,560	92	2,652	3.47
Provisional	298	18	316	5.70
Total	94,435	4,561	98,996	4.61

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference no.	No clear first preference no.	Total no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,203	1,203	26.4
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	346	..	346	7.6
Incomplete numbering – other	134	..	134	2.9
Ticks and crosses	105	38	143	3.1
Other symbols	72	10	82	1.8
Non-sequential numbering	781	391	1,172	25.7
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,168	1,168	25.6
Illegible numbering	118	62	180	3.9
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	52	81	133	2.9
Total	1,608	2,953	4,561	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal Norlane	189	2,177	8.68
Lowest % informal Special Hospital Team 4	5	239	2.09

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 56,119 votes cast at 31 static polling places and 1,234 votes cast through four mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Deakin

Number of candidates: 6

Demographic rating: Outer Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	99,698	..	..
Turnout	92,739	93.02	-1.69
Informal votes	2,471	2.66	-1.67

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	54,654	1,617	56,271	2.87
Absent	4,557	152	4,709	3.23
Postal	12,952	209	13,161	1.59
Pre-poll ordinary	14,114	378	14,492	2.61
Pre-poll declaration	3,688	104	3,792	2.74
Provisional	303	11	314	3.50
Total	90,268	2,471	92,739	2.66

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	762	762	30.8
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	234	..	234	9.5
Incomplete numbering – other	65	..	65	2.6
Ticks and crosses	111	21	132	5.3
Other symbols	27	15	42	1.7
Non-sequential numbering	270	89	359	14.5
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	722	722	29.2
Illegible numbering	29	41	70	2.8
Voter identified	3	..	3	0.1
Other	18	64	82	3.3
Total	757	1,714	2,471	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Special Hospital Team 2	11	168	6.55
Lowest % informal	Heathmont High	15	1,128	1.33

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 55,793 votes cast at 38 static polling places and 478 votes cast through two mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Dunkley

Number of candidates: 11

Demographic rating: Outer Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	104,957	..	..
Turnout	95,444	90.94	-2.35
Informal votes	6,151	6.44	+1.65

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	53,145	4,081	57,226	7.13
Absent	3,793	374	4,167	8.98
Postal	12,841	450	13,291	3.39
Pre-poll ordinary	15,151	892	16,043	5.56
Pre-poll declaration	4,067	318	4,385	7.25
Provisional	296	36	332	10.84
Total	89,293	6,151	95,444	6.44

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference no.	No clear first preference no.	Total no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,195	1,195	19.4
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	365	..	365	5.9
Incomplete numbering – other	1,401	..	1,401	22.8
Ticks and crosses	88	44	132	2.1
Other symbols	74	11	85	1.4
Non-sequential numbering	1,454	225	1,679	27.3
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	909	909	14.8
Illegible numbering	177	77	254	4.1
Voter identified	2	..	2	0.0
Other	33	96	129	2.1
Total	3,594	2,557	6,151	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal Special Hospital Team 1	20	169	11.83
Lowest % informal Mt Eliza Central	22	988	2.23

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 56,513 votes cast at 34 static polling places and 713 votes cast through three mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Flinders

Number of candidates: 6

Demographic rating: Rural

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	115,356	..	..
Turnout	105,437	91.40	-2.34
Informal votes	3,863	3.66	-1.31

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	51,841	2,234	54,075	4.13
Absent	4,429	205	4,634	4.42
Postal	10,842	182	11,024	1.65
Pre-poll ordinary	28,453	1,073	29,526	3.63
Pre-poll declaration	5,755	156	5,911	2.64
Provisional	254	13	267	4.87
Total	101,574	3,863	105,437	3.66

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,163	1,163	30.1
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	350	..	350	9.1
Incomplete numbering – other	98	..	98	2.5
Ticks and crosses	160	19	179	4.6
Other symbols	61	12	73	1.9
Non-sequential numbering	491	171	662	17.1
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,130	1,130	29.3
Illegible numbering	39	42	81	2.1
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	18	109	127	3.3
Total	1,217	2,646	3,863	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Special Hospital Team 1	41	427	9.60
Lowest % informal	Merricks North	3	227	1.32

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 53,280 votes cast at 49 static polling places and 795 votes cast through two mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Gellibrand

Number of candidates 4

Demographic rating: Inner Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	108,469	..	..
Turnout	96,285	88.77	-1.84
Informal votes	3,868	4.02	-1.60

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	54,794	2,419	57,213	4.23
Absent	4,269	160	4,429	3.61
Postal	7,887	128	8,015	1.60
Pre-poll ordinary	20,423	1,022	21,445	4.77
Pre-poll declaration	4,465	115	4,580	2.51
Provisional	579	24	603	3.98
Total	92,417	3,868	96,285	4.02

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,204	1,204	31.1
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	412	..	412	10.7
Incomplete numbering – other	38	..	38	1.0
Ticks and crosses	441	0	441	11.4
Other symbols	51	0	51	1.3
Non-sequential numbering	205	152	357	9.2
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,084	1,084	28.0
Illegible numbering	49	61	110	2.8
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	40	131	171	4.4
Total	1,236	2,632	3,868	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Seabrook (Gellibrand)	27	281	9.61
Lowest % informal	Footscray Central	26	1,260	2.06

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 56,986 votes cast at 38 static polling places and 227 votes cast through two mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Gippsland

Number of candidates: 10

Demographic rating: Rural

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	104,088	..	..
Turnout	95,880	92.11	-2.34
Informal votes	6,588	6.87	+0.88

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	47,343	3,823	51,166	7.47
Absent	1,949	160	2,109	7.59
Postal	4,165	133	4,298	3.09
Pre-poll ordinary	31,832	2,239	34,071	6.57
Pre-poll declaration	3,773	212	3,985	5.32
Provisional	230	21	251	8.37
Total	89,292	6,588	95,880	6.87

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,471	1,471	22.3
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	471	..	471	7.1
Incomplete numbering – other	1,637	..	1,637	24.8
Ticks and crosses	86	73	159	2.4
Other symbols	58	0	58	0.9
Non-sequential numbering	1,144	368	1,512	23.0
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	927	927	14.1
Illegible numbering	171	99	270	4.1
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	29	54	83	1.3
Total	3,596	2,992	6,588	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Churchill	103	968	10.64
Lowest % informal	Special Hospital Team 1	5	262	1.91

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 50,280 votes cast at 63 static polling places and 886 votes cast through three mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Goldstein

Number of candidates: 6

Demographic rating: Inner Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	104,895	..	..
Turnout	95,903	91.43	-1.74
Informal votes	2,363	2.46	-0.87

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	54,559	1,580	56,139	2.81
Absent	4,399	128	4,527	2.83
Postal	13,487	195	13,682	1.43
Pre-poll ordinary	16,519	383	16,902	2.27
Pre-poll declaration	4,295	71	4,366	1.63
Provisional	281	6	287	2.09
Total	93,540	2,363	95,903	2.46

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	623	623	26.4
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	267	..	267	11.3
Incomplete numbering – other	65	..	65	2.8
Ticks and crosses	164	12	176	7.4
Other symbols	29	5	34	1.4
Non-sequential numbering	218	135	353	14.9
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	670	670	28.4
Illegible numbering	41	25	66	2.8
Voter identified	3	..	3	0.1
Other	11	95	106	4.5
Total	798	1,565	2,363	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Special Hospital Team 3	16	247	6.48
Lowest % informal	Special Hospital Team 2	3	211	1.42

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 55,550 votes cast at 36 static polling places and 589 votes cast through three mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Gorton

Number of candidates: 3

Demographic rating: Outer Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	115,977	..	..
Turnout	103,358	89.12	-3.09
Informal votes	5,253	5.08	-2.03

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	52,835	3,190	56,025	5.69
Absent	3,981	253	4,234	5.98
Postal	8,869	189	9,058	2.09
Pre-poll ordinary	27,664	1,424	29,088	4.90
Pre-poll declaration	4,029	147	4,176	3.52
Provisional	727	50	777	6.44
Total	98,105	5,253	103,358	5.08

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,453	1,453	27.7
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	778	..	778	14.8
Incomplete numbering – other	0	..	0	0.0
Ticks and crosses	807	26	833	15.9
Other symbols	82	9	91	1.7
Non-sequential numbering	81	144	225	4.3
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,658	1,658	31.6
Illegible numbering	20	41	61	1.2
Voter identified	1	..	1	0.0
Other	46	107	153	2.9
Total	1,815	3,438	5,253	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Special Hospital Team 2	10	106	9.43
Lowest % informal	Arnolds Creek	29	847	3.42

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 55,818 votes cast at 30 static polling places and 207 votes cast through two mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Higgins

Number of candidates: 8

Demographic rating: Inner Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	104,678	..	..
Turnout	93,841	89.65	-2.36
Informal votes	3,550	3.78	+0.20

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	49,269	2,165	51,434	4.21
Absent	5,619	276	5,895	4.68
Postal	12,690	280	12,970	2.16
Pre-poll ordinary	16,628	620	17,248	3.59
Pre-poll declaration	5,686	195	5,881	3.32
Provisional	399	14	413	3.39
Total	90,291	3,550	93,841	3.78

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	485	485	13.7
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	230	..	230	6.5
Incomplete numbering – other	996	..	996	28.1
Ticks and crosses	122	18	140	3.9
Other symbols	20	8	28	0.8
Non-sequential numbering	737	119	856	24.1
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	618	618	17.4
Illegible numbering	83	46	129	3.6
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	18	50	68	1.9
Total	2,206	1,344	3,550	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Oakleigh (Higgins)	42	538	7.81
Lowest % informal	Armadale	37	1,384	2.67

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 51,192 votes cast at 36 static polling places and 242 votes cast through four mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Holt

Number of candidates: 5

Demographic rating: Outer Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	116,291	..	..
Turnout	104,873	90.18	-2.63
Informal votes	5,243	5.00	-1.08

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	59,879	3,623	63,502	5.71
Absent	5,193	314	5,507	5.70
Postal	11,847	250	12,097	2.07
Pre-poll ordinary	19,481	926	20,407	4.54
Pre-poll declaration	2,634	98	2,732	3.59
Provisional	596	32	628	5.10
Total	99,630	5,243	104,873	5.00

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,552	1,552	29.6
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	491	..	491	9.4
Incomplete numbering – other	106	..	106	2.0
Ticks and crosses	497	49	546	10.4
Other symbols	98	11	109	2.1
Non-sequential numbering	549	404	953	18.2
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,229	1,229	23.4
Illegible numbering	50	86	136	2.6
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	10	111	121	2.3
Total	1,801	3,442	5,243	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Doveton	140	1,653	8.47
Lowest % informal	Cranbourne North (Holt)	53	1,674	3.17

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 63,349 votes cast at 31 static polling places and 153 votes cast through a mobile polling (Special Hospital) team.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Hotham

Number of candidates: 6

Demographic rating: Inner Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	99,994	..	..
Turnout	90,675	90.68	-1.85
Informal votes	3,511	3.87	-0.96

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	51,916	2,319	54,235	4.28
Absent	4,420	216	4,636	4.66
Postal	9,673	139	9,812	1.42
Pre-poll ordinary	17,545	731	18,276	4.00
Pre-poll declaration	3,171	87	3,258	2.67
Provisional	439	19	458	4.15
Total	87,164	3,511	90,675	3.87

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,121	1,121	31.9
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	382	..	382	10.9
Incomplete numbering – other	141	..	141	4.0
Ticks and crosses	209	86	295	8.4
Other symbols	10	0	10	0.3
Non-sequential numbering	490	85	575	16.4
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	764	764	21.8
Illegible numbering	50	61	111	3.2
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	0	112	112	3.2
Total	1,282	2,229	3,511	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Special Hospital Team 1	27	147	18.37
Lowest % informal	Spring Valley	37	1,274	2.90

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 53,885 votes cast at 36 static polling places and 350 votes cast through two mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Indi

Number of candidates: 10

Demographic rating: Rural

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	103,734	..	..
Turnout	96,436	92.96	-2.15
Informal votes	6,299	6.53	+1.44

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	41,572	3,358	44,930	7.47
Absent	1,983	157	2,140	7.34
Postal	8,487	257	8,744	2.94
Pre-poll ordinary	33,886	2,288	36,174	6.32
Pre-poll declaration	4,054	222	4,276	5.19
Provisional	155	17	172	9.88
Total	90,137	6,299	96,436	6.53

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,177	1,177	18.7
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	415	..	415	6.6
Incomplete numbering – other	1,571	..	1,571	24.9
Ticks and crosses	58	40	98	1.6
Other symbols	80	10	90	1.4
Non-sequential numbering	1,563	213	1,776	28.2
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	915	915	14.5
Illegible numbering	178	40	218	3.5
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	0	39	39	0.6
Total	3,865	2,434	6,299	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Tungamah	29	219	13.24
Lowest % informal	Tarrowingee	7	277	2.53

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 43,978 votes cast at 65 static polling places and 952 votes cast through three mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Isaacs

Number of candidates: 4

Demographic rating: Outer Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	105,756	..	..
Turnout	96,009	90.78	-2.26
Informal votes	3,539	3.69	-1.11

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	54,963	2,397	57,360	4.18
Absent	5,240	207	5,447	3.80
Postal	8,550	131	8,681	1.51
Pre-poll ordinary	19,504	687	20,191	3.40
Pre-poll declaration	3,825	101	3,926	2.57
Provisional	388	16	404	3.96
Total	92,470	3,539	96,009	3.69

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,047	1,047	29.6
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	476	..	476	13.5
Incomplete numbering – other	56	..	56	1.6
Ticks and crosses	541	31	572	16.2
Other symbols	51	0	51	1.4
Non-sequential numbering	156	175	331	9.4
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	857	857	24.2
Illegible numbering	9	40	49	1.4
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	20	80	100	2.8
Total	1,309	2,230	3,539	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Dandenong South	175	1,782	9.82
Lowest % informal	Beaumaris East (Isaacs)	41	1,790	2.29

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 56,477 votes cast at 31 static polling places and 883 votes cast through three mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Jagajaga

Number of candidates: 5

Demographic rating: Inner Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	103,132	..	..
Turnout	95,002	92.12	-1.90
Informal votes	2,572	2.71	-1.02

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	54,516	1,641	56,157	2.92
Absent	4,364	141	4,505	3.13
Postal	9,320	135	9,455	1.43
Pre-poll ordinary	20,089	559	20,648	2.71
Pre-poll declaration	3,879	76	3,955	1.92
Provisional	262	20	282	7.09
Total	92,430	2,572	95,002	2.71

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	789	789	30.7
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	281	..	281	10.9
Incomplete numbering – other	23	..	23	0.9
Ticks and crosses	179	29	208	8.1
Other symbols	31	9	40	1.6
Non-sequential numbering	274	66	340	13.2
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	841	841	32.7
Illegible numbering	21	19	40	1.6
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	0	10	10	0.4
Total	809	1,763	2,572	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Olympic Village	124	2,071	5.99
Lowest % informal	Kangaroo Ground (Jagajaga)	7	606	1.16

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 55,813 votes cast at 32 static polling places and 344 votes cast through two mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Kooyong

Number of candidates: 4

Demographic rating: Inner Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	100,140	..	..
Turnout	91,826	91.70	-1.76
Informal votes	1,823	1.99	-1.40

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	51,647	1,178	52,825	2.23
Absent	4,787	130	4,917	2.64
Postal	14,147	171	14,318	1.19
Pre-poll ordinary	14,405	257	14,662	1.75
Pre-poll declaration	4,757	78	4,835	1.61
Provisional	260	9	269	3.35
Total	90,003	1,823	91,826	1.99

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	496	496	27.2
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	266	..	266	14.6
Incomplete numbering – other	14	..	14	0.8
Ticks and crosses	216	5	221	12.1
Other symbols	11	5	16	0.9
Non-sequential numbering	42	59	101	5.5
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	583	583	32.0
Illegible numbering	14	23	37	2.0
Voter identified	2	..	2	0.1
Other	9	78	87	4.8
Total	574	1,249	1,823	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Special Hospital Team 2	16	170	9.41
Lowest % informal	Kew South	16	1,262	1.27

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 52,273 votes cast at 34 static polling places and 552 votes cast through three mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

La Trobe

Number of candidates: 10

Demographic rating: Outer Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	105,731	..	..
Turnout	98,051	92.74	-2.10
Informal votes	5,454	5.56	+1.17

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	52,658	3,301	55,959	5.90
Absent	4,828	497	5,325	9.33
Postal	13,290	354	13,644	2.59
Pre-poll ordinary	17,794	1,042	18,836	5.53
Pre-poll declaration	3,698	241	3,939	6.12
Provisional	329	19	348	5.46
Total	92,597	5,454	98,051	5.56

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	888	888	16.3
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	439	..	439	8.0
Incomplete numbering – other	1,576	..	1,576	28.9
Ticks and crosses	101	10	111	2.0
Other symbols	102	30	132	2.4
Non-sequential numbering	1,062	197	1,259	23.1
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	734	734	13.5
Illegible numbering	118	80	198	3.6
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	10	107	117	2.1
Total	3,408	2,046	5,454	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Special Hospital Team 1	27	159	16.98
Lowest % informal	Berwick	66	1,901	3.47

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 55,663 votes cast at 43 static polling places and 296 votes cast through four mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Lalor

Number of candidates: 5

Demographic rating: Outer Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	123,609	..	..
Turnout	111,840	90.48	-2.65
Informal votes	5,080	4.54	-2.09

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	60,744	3,162	63,906	4.95
Absent	3,867	198	4,065	4.87
Postal	9,974	218	10,192	2.14
Pre-poll ordinary	27,955	1,335	29,290	4.56
Pre-poll declaration	3,726	141	3,867	3.65
Provisional	494	26	520	5.00
Total	106,760	5,080	111,840	4.54

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference no.	No clear first preference no.	Total no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,675	1,675	33.0
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	665	..	665	13.1
Incomplete numbering – other	80	..	80	1.6
Ticks and crosses	454	58	512	10.1
Other symbols	51	40	91	1.8
Non-sequential numbering	383	131	514	10.1
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,296	1,296	25.5
Illegible numbering	50	39	89	1.8
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	62	96	158	3.1
Total	1,745	3,335	5,080	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal Altona Meadows (Lalor)	116	1,691	6.86
Lowest % informal Point Cook South	67	2,086	3.21

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 63,627 votes cast at 32 static polling places and 279 votes cast through two mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Mallee

Number of candidates: 5

Demographic rating: Rural

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	99,324	..	..
Turnout	91,735	92.36	-2.31
Informal votes	4,269	4.65	-2.26

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	49,823	2,704	52,527	5.15
Absent	2,155	91	2,246	4.05
Postal	4,677	90	4,767	1.89
Pre-poll ordinary	27,022	1,245	28,267	4.40
Pre-poll declaration	3,604	126	3,730	3.38
Provisional	185	13	198	6.57
Total	87,466	4,269	91,735	4.65

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference no.	No clear first preference no.	Total no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,445	1,445	33.8
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	351	..	351	8.2
Incomplete numbering – other	58	..	58	1.4
Ticks and crosses	113	21	134	3.1
Other symbols	80	19	99	2.3
Non-sequential numbering	525	260	785	18.4
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,249	1,249	29.3
Illegible numbering	41	58	99	2.3
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	9	40	49	1.1
Total	1,177	3,092	4,269	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal Horsham North	66	881	7.49
Lowest % informal Laharum	1	167	0.60

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 51,261 votes cast at 85 static polling places and 1,266 votes cast through six mobile polling teams (1,229 votes cast through five Special Hospital) teams and 37 votes cast through an Other Mobile team).

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Maribyrnong

Number of candidates: 6

Demographic rating: Inner Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	110,286	..	..
Turnout	98,402	89.22	-2.32
Informal votes	4,568	4.64	-1.54

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	48,787	2,727	51,514	5.29
Absent	4,871	224	5,095	4.40
Postal	10,602	182	10,784	1.69
Pre-poll ordinary	23,973	1,222	25,195	4.85
Pre-poll declaration	5,054	175	5,229	3.35
Provisional	547	38	585	6.50
Total	93,834	4,568	98,402	4.64

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	910	910	19.9
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	529	..	529	11.6
Incomplete numbering – other	131	..	131	2.9
Ticks and crosses	344	102	446	9.8
Other symbols	87	11	98	2.1
Non-sequential numbering	453	652	1,105	24.2
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,012	1,012	22.2
Illegible numbering	90	70	160	3.5
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	84	93	177	3.9
Total	1,718	2,850	4,568	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Special Hospital Team 2	12	137	8.76
Lowest % informal	Melbourne (Maribyrnong)	2	116	1.72

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 51,318 votes cast at 30 static polling places and 196 votes cast through two mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

McEwen

Number of candidates: 9

Demographic rating: Rural

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	130,612	..	..
Turnout	120,389	92.17	-2.62
Informal votes	7,189	5.97	+1.35

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	63,355	4,344	67,699	6.42
Absent	5,486	451	5,937	7.60
Postal	11,824	329	12,153	2.71
Pre-poll ordinary	26,961	1,719	28,680	5.99
Pre-poll declaration	5,091	307	5,398	5.69
Provisional	483	39	522	7.47
Total	113,200	7,189	120,389	5.97

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,860	1,860	25.9
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	694	..	694	9.7
Incomplete numbering – other	1,360	..	1,360	18.9
Ticks and crosses	218	38	256	3.6
Other symbols	40	20	60	0.8
Non-sequential numbering	1,009	321	1,330	18.5
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,218	1,218	16.9
Illegible numbering	234	70	304	4.2
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	18	89	107	1.5
Total	3,573	3,616	7,189	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Special Hospital Team 2	12	102	11.76
Lowest % informal	Puckapunyal	8	228	3.51

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 67,414 votes cast at 51 static polling places and 285 votes cast through three mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

McMillan

Number of candidates: 8

Demographic rating: Rural

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	116,200	..	..
Turnout	107,036	92.11	-2.53
Informal votes	6,115	5.71	-0.40

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	58,461	3,974	62,435	6.37
Absent	3,691	304	3,995	7.61
Postal	9,694	244	9,938	2.46
Pre-poll ordinary	24,411	1,369	25,780	5.31
Pre-poll declaration	4,340	202	4,542	4.45
Provisional	324	22	346	6.36
Total	100,921	6,115	107,036	5.71

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,386	1,386	22.7
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	310	..	310	5.1
Incomplete numbering – other	1,132	..	1,132	18.5
Ticks and crosses	109	50	159	2.6
Other symbols	211	20	231	3.8
Non-sequential numbering	938	328	1,266	20.7
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,262	1,262	20.6
Illegible numbering	162	70	232	3.8
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	38	99	137	2.2
Total	2,900	3,215	6,115	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Longwarry	99	1,009	9.81
Lowest % informal	Yanakie	1	163	0.61

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 61,297 votes cast at 69 static polling places and 1,138 votes cast through four mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Melbourne

Number of candidates: 6

Demographic rating: Inner Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	111,741	..	..
Turnout	96,983	86.79	-3.90
Informal votes	2,404	2.48	-3.47

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	52,536	1,474	54,010	2.73
Absent	7,862	256	8,118	3.15
Postal	9,926	156	10,082	1.55
Pre-poll ordinary	16,814	335	17,149	1.95
Pre-poll declaration	6,760	141	6,901	2.04
Provisional	681	42	723	5.81
Total	94,579	2,404	96,983	2.48

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	557	557	23.2
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	275	..	275	11.4
Incomplete numbering – other	101	..	101	4.2
Ticks and crosses	176	37	213	8.9
Other symbols	38	10	48	2.0
Non-sequential numbering	309	128	437	18.2
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	508	508	21.1
Illegible numbering	35	30	65	2.7
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	16	184	200	8.3
Total	950	1,454	2,404	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Special Hospital Team 2	8	103	7.77
Lowest % informal	Carlton South	14	1,185	1.18

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 53,495 votes cast at 32 static polling places and 515 votes cast through 11 mobile polling teams (361 votes cast through ten Special Hospital teams and 154 votes cast through an Other Mobile team).

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Melbourne Ports

Number of candidates: 8

Demographic rating: Inner Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	102,283	..	..
Turnout	88,565	86.59	-3.45
Informal votes	3,756	4.24	+0.42

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	42,358	1,989	44,347	4.49
Absent	6,485	397	6,882	5.77
Postal	13,690	334	14,024	2.38
Pre-poll ordinary	17,220	789	18,009	4.38
Pre-poll declaration	4,682	203	4,885	4.16
Provisional	374	44	418	10.53
Total	84,809	3,756	88,565	4.24

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference no.	No clear first preference no.	Total no.	%
Totally blank	..	618	618	16.5
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	312	..	312	8.3
Incomplete numbering – other	895	..	895	23.8
Ticks and crosses	202	10	212	5.6
Other symbols	19	0	19	0.5
Non-sequential numbering	808	135	943	25.1
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	451	451	12.0
Illegible numbering	99	30	129	3.4
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	10	167	177	4.7
Total	2,345	1,411	3,756	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal Special Hospital Team 2	31	210	14.76
Lowest % informal Southbank	57	2,105	2.71

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 43,942 votes cast at 27 static polling places and 405 votes cast through three mobile polling teams (359 votes cast through two Special Hospital teams and 46 votes cast through an Other Mobile team).

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Menzies

Number of candidates: 8

Demographic rating: Outer Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	99,205	..	..
Turnout	91,872	92.61	-1.46
Informal votes	4,615	5.02	+0.72

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	51,437	3,019	54,456	5.54
Absent	3,937	302	4,239	7.12
Postal	12,412	342	12,754	2.68
Pre-poll ordinary	15,962	775	16,737	4.63
Pre-poll declaration	3,280	159	3,439	4.62
Provisional	229	18	247	7.29
Total	87,257	4,615	91,872	5.02

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	919	919	19.9
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	351	..	351	7.6
Incomplete numbering – other	1,232	..	1,232	26.7
Ticks and crosses	169	19	188	4.1
Other symbols	81	32	113	2.4
Non-sequential numbering	633	225	858	18.6
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	713	713	15.4
Illegible numbering	110	17	127	2.8
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	20	94	114	2.5
Total	2,596	2,019	4,615	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Special Hospital Team 1	34	263	12.93
Lowest % informal	Park Orchards	52	1,599	3.25

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 53,949 votes cast at 35 static polling places and 507 votes cast through two mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Murray

Number of candidates: 11

Demographic rating: Rural

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	104,359	..	..
Turnout	96,546	92.51	-2.04
Informal votes	8,530	8.84	+2.51

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	53,799	5,871	59,670	9.84
Absent	2,572	234	2,806	8.34
Postal	6,869	252	7,121	3.54
Pre-poll ordinary	20,630	1,835	22,465	8.17
Pre-poll declaration	3,907	310	4,217	7.35
Provisional	239	28	267	10.49
Total	88,016	8,530	96,546	8.84

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,658	1,658	19.4
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	444	..	444	5.2
Incomplete numbering – other	1,595	..	1,595	18.7
Ticks and crosses	146	61	207	2.4
Other symbols	117	19	136	1.6
Non-sequential numbering	2,389	483	2,872	33.7
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,155	1,155	13.5
Illegible numbering	186	88	274	3.2
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	88	101	189	2.2
Total	4,965	3,565	8,530	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Special Hospital Team 5	25	152	16.45
Lowest % informal	Special Hospital Team 1	10	231	4.33

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 58,714 votes cast at 75 static polling places and 956 votes cast through five mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Scullin

Number of candidates: 5

Demographic rating: Outer Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	110,570	..	..
Turnout	100,842	91.20	-2.07
Informal votes	5,164	5.12	-1.31

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	58,572	3,782	62,354	6.07
Absent	4,584	241	4,825	4.99
Postal	10,953	237	11,190	2.12
Pre-poll ordinary	17,140	727	17,867	4.07
Pre-poll declaration	3,975	147	4,122	3.57
Provisional	454	30	484	6.20
Total	95,678	5,164	100,842	5.12

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,253	1,253	24.3
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	705	..	705	13.7
Incomplete numbering – other	56	..	56	1.1
Ticks and crosses	362	30	392	7.6
Other symbols	40	10	50	1.0
Non-sequential numbering	612	275	887	17.2
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,601	1,601	31.0
Illegible numbering	74	69	143	2.8
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	20	57	77	1.5
Total	1,869	3,295	5,164	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Thomastown East	145	1,403	10.33
Lowest % informal	Yarrambat (Scullin)	15	706	2.12

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 62,131 votes cast at 35 static polling places and 223 votes cast through three mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Wannon

Number of candidates: 5

Demographic rating: Rural

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	99,155	..	..
Turnout	92,936	93.73	-1.88
Informal votes	3,681	3.96	-0.03

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	52,779	2,440	55,219	4.42
Absent	2,636	89	2,725	3.27
Postal	7,313	136	7,449	1.83
Pre-poll ordinary	21,657	913	22,570	4.05
Pre-poll declaration	4,705	94	4,799	1.96
Provisional	165	9	174	5.17
Total	89,255	3,681	92,936	3.96

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference	No clear first preference	Total	
	no.	no.	no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,283	1,283	34.9
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	298	..	298	8.1
Incomplete numbering – other	83	..	83	2.3
Ticks and crosses	204	10	214	5.8
Other symbols	10	0	10	0.3
Non-sequential numbering	309	172	481	13.1
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,156	1,156	31.4
Illegible numbering	60	68	128	3.5
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	0	28	28	0.8
Total	964	2,717	3,681	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²		Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal	Tyrendarra	9	131	6.87
Lowest % informal	Wiridjil	1	154	0.65

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 53,908 votes cast at 83 static polling places and 1,311 votes cast through four mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.

Wills

Number of candidates: 10

Demographic rating: Inner Metropolitan

Key statistics	No.	%	Swing
Enrolled	113,851	..	..
Turnout	100,915	88.64	-2.29
Informal votes	6,807	6.75	+1.22

Type of vote cast	Formal votes no.	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Ordinary ¹	56,165	4,681	60,846	7.69
Absent	5,521	343	5,864	5.85
Postal	9,402	271	9,673	2.80
Pre-poll ordinary	17,235	1,239	18,474	6.71
Pre-poll declaration	5,438	246	5,684	4.33
Provisional	347	27	374	7.22
Total	94,108	6,807	100,915	6.75

Informal votes by category	Clear first preference no.	No clear first preference no.	Total no.	%
Totally blank	..	1,565	1,565	23.0
Incomplete numbering – number '1' only	390	..	390	5.7
Incomplete numbering – other	1,448	..	1,448	21.3
Ticks and crosses	125	77	202	3.0
Other symbols	140	30	170	2.5
Non-sequential numbering	1,108	288	1,396	20.5
Scribbles, slogans and other protest vote marks	..	1,213	1,213	17.8
Illegible numbering	222	120	342	5.0
Voter identified	0	..	0	0.0
Other	42	39	81	1.2
Total	3,475	3,332	6,807	100.0

Polling places with highest and lowest informal voting rates ²	Informal votes no.	Total votes no.	Informality rate %
Highest % informal Moomba Park	207	1,435	14.43
Lowest % informal Brunswick South East (Wills)	56	1,373	4.08

¹ Excludes pre-poll ordinary votes. Comprises 60,677 votes cast at 39 static polling places and 169 votes cast through three mobile polling (Special Hospital) teams.

² Excludes polling places that received fewer than 100 ordinary or pre-poll votes in total.