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Submission on the proposed ACT redistribution details

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These amendments to the current proposal minimise disruption, while keeping the number of enrolled voters in a tighter range within the range for a quota and tidying up the boundaries and having them linked with recognisable landmarks. Furthermore, the amendments to the proposal maintain cohesive communities and maintain some degree of contiguity of all suburbs with their electorate. My proposal results in a more equal outcome if it were to be tomorrow as well as in 2030.

Submission regarding the Proposed Australian Capital Territory Redistribution

Round 2: Ideas on the Proposed Redistribution

Maximising the Fair Vote, Minimising Disruption for Capital Territorians

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Proposal

The proposed redistribution moves the ACT closer to one vote, one value while factoring in localised expected population growth rates, future-proofing that equality of the value of a vote.

I am thankful for the opportunity to comment and the ability to do so reminds me of the value of Australian democracy and it giving people the chance to have their say. I also want to thank the Australian Electoral Commission for all it does in upholding our democracy and facilitating its workings and want to say that you have again produced an excellent report supported by sound analysis about the ACT redistribution.

There certainly is a lot to agree with in the report. Norfolk Island being transferred to Canberra makes complete sense, as does the retention of Jervis Bay by Fenner. Fenner receiving Macquarie, Weetangera and Hawker to the west of Coulter Drive is sensible.

I am, however, of the view that at 31,778 or 9.87% of the ACT changing electorates is a little too much disruption. I have developed a proposal where only 19,605 or 6.09% would be changed. This same proposal also results in a smaller spread in sizes of the electorates, which all remain in quota. Your proposal has the projected spread between the most populous electorate (Bean, 116,904) and the least populous (Canberra, 112,369) at 4,535. The proposal I have developed has the same projected spread at 3,918, closer, albeit marginally, to one vote, one value.

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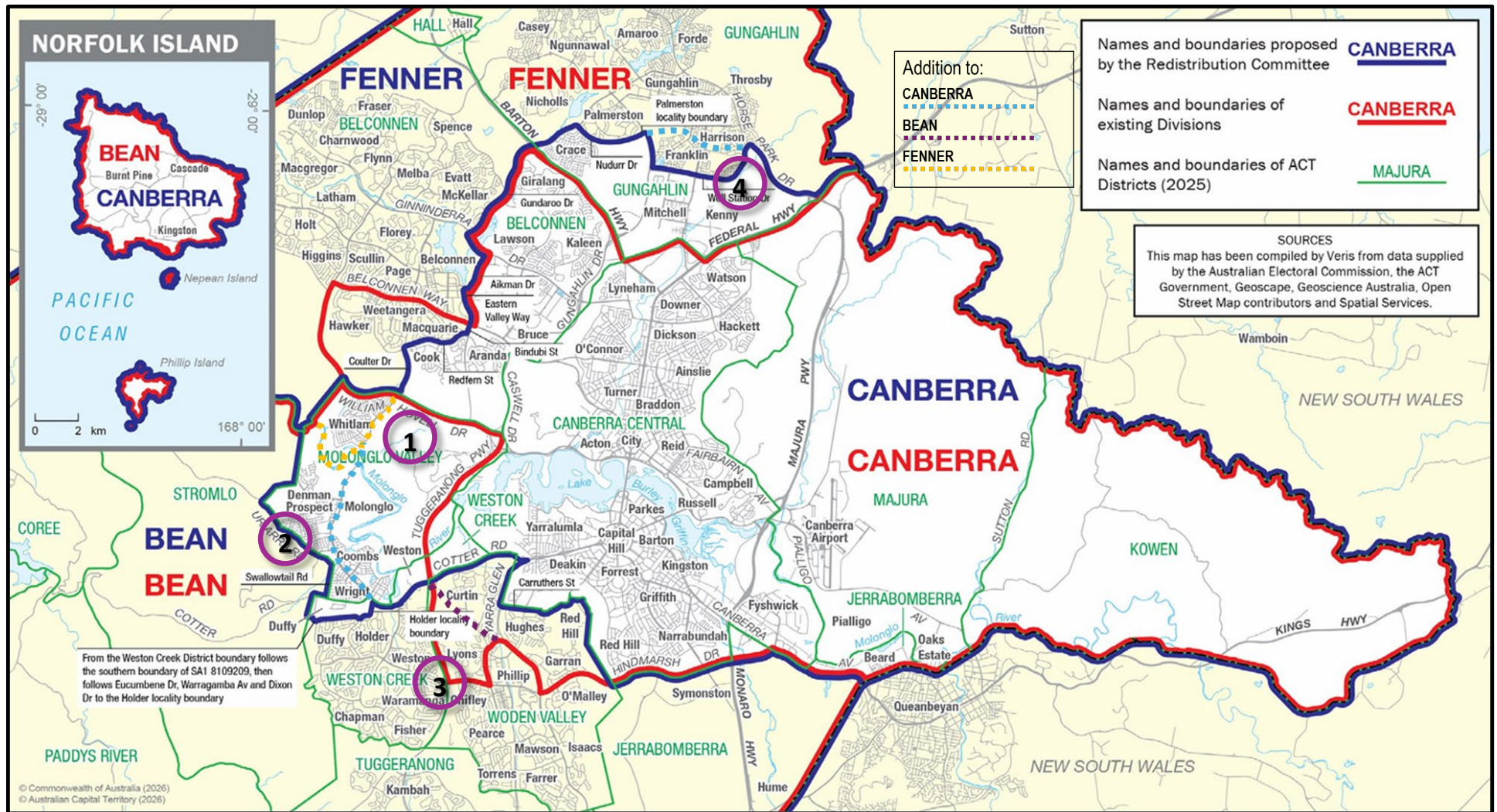
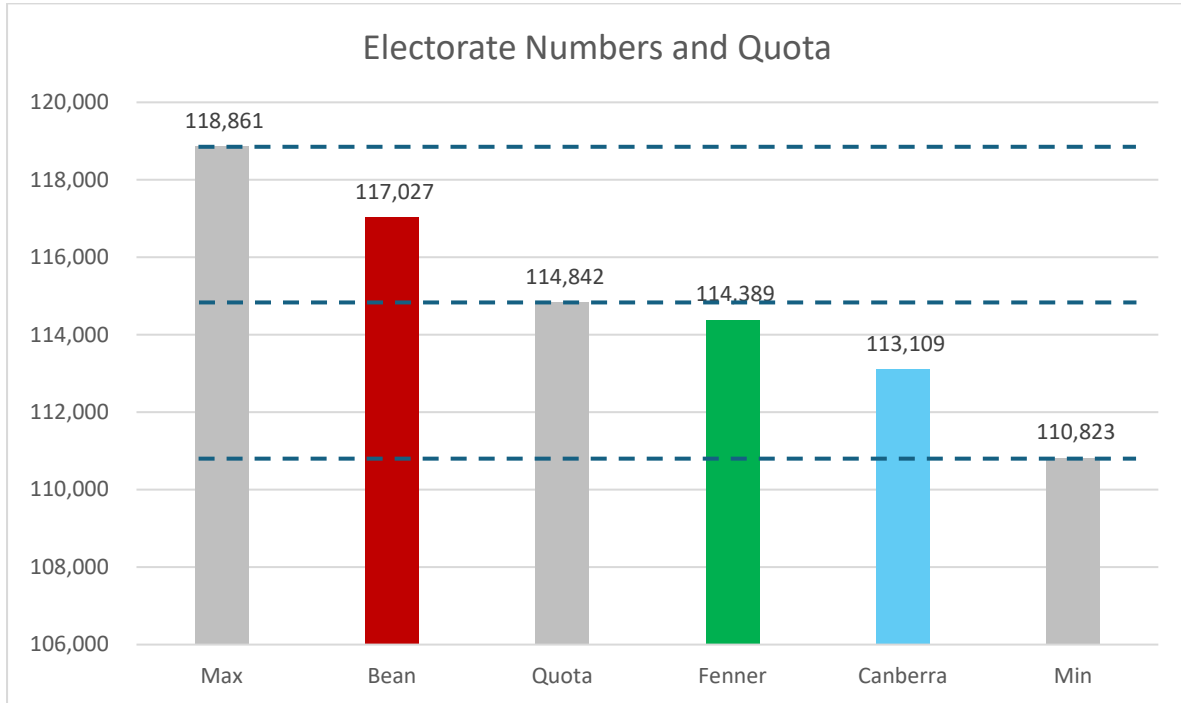


Figure 1. Proposed ACT Redistribution

Analysis

All projected electorate numbers fall comfortably within the 3.5% range of a quota with sufficient buffer to mitigate against the risk of a variation against the growth projections.



My proposed redistribution is more equal with smaller spreads both in 2025 based on the actual enrolments as well as in the projections to April 2030.

Enrolments based on AEC's proposed redistribution

	Actual 2025	Projected 2030
Canberra	100,138	112,369
Fenner	108,794	115,252
Bean	112,947	116,904

Enrolments based on my proposed redistribution

	Actual 2025	Projected 2030
Canberra	105,424	113,109
Fenner	106,082	114,389
Bean	110,373	117,027

Total electors transferred from one electorate into another are shown in the table below. This is only 6.09% of actual enrolments as of August 2025.

Lyons	2060
Whitlam	985
Coombs	3458
Macquarie	2195
Weetangera	2042
Hawker	2229
Crace	2938
Mitchell	1
Franklin	3697
Total	19605

BEAN	Sum of Actual enrolments	Sum of Projected enrolment
ACT - South West	384	396
Banks	3,675	3,654
Bonython	2,796	2,578
Calwell	4,247	4,132
Canberra East	253	276
Chapman	2,200	2,254
Chifley	1,813	1,824
Chisholm	3,863	4,036
Conder	3,745	3,556
Deakin	-	-
Denman Prospect	3,271	5,479
Duffy	2,604	2,586
Fadden	2,284	2,225
Farrer	2,765	2,766
Fisher	2,317	2,369
Gilmore	1,993	1,890
Gordon (ACT)	5,871	5,991
Gowrie (ACT)	2,318	2,224
Greenway	3,676	5,065
Holder	2,058	2,061
Hume	15	15
Isaacs	1,809	1,821
Isabella Plains	3,171	3,332
Kambah	11,752	11,866
Lyons (ACT)	2,060	2,050
Macarthur	1,080	1,053
Mawson	2,268	2,381
Monash	4,208	4,213
Mount Taylor	-	-
Namadgi	43	43
O`Malley	744	782
Oxley (ACT)	1,273	1,295
Pearce	1,994	1,981
Phillip	3,883	6,079
Richardson	2,253	2,199
Rivett	2,421	2,557
Stirling	1,522	1,629
Theodore	2,841	2,804
Torrens	1,776	1,816
Tuggeranong	27	27
Tuggeranong - West	8	8
Wanniassa	5,697	5,704
Waramanga	1,949	1,916
Weston	2,806	2,960
Wright	2,640	3,134
Yarralumla	-	-
Grand Total	110,373	117,027

Canberra	Sum of Actual enrolments	Sum of Projected enrolment
Acton	760	784
Ainslie	4,100	4,108
Aranda	1,823	1,791
Arboretum	3	3
Barton	1,429	1,371
Black Mountain	-	-
Braddon	4,701	5,267
Bruce	4,272	4,635
Campbell	3,666	4,332
Canberra Airport	36	36
Canberra East	382	404
Civic	2,232	2,278
Cook	2,258	2,292
Coombs	3,458	4,519
Crace	2,938	3,010
Curtin	4,009	4,058
Deakin	2,344	2,325
Dickson	2,968	3,748
Downer	2,878	3,020
Duntroon	1,278	1,475
Forrest	1,539	1,600
Franklin	3,697	3,722
Fyshwick	20	20
Garran	2,320	2,233
Giralang	2,455	2,499
Gooromon	-	-
Griffith (ACT)	4,311	5,357
Hackett	2,345	2,432
Hughes	2,264	2,316
Kaleen	5,435	5,397
Kenny	5	5
Kingston (ACT)	4,836	5,070
Kowen	15	15
Lake Burley Griffin	-	-
Lawson	1,277	1,331
Lyneham	3,940	4,351
Majura	126	98
Mitchell	1	1
Molonglo	-	-
Molonglo - East	-	-
Molonglo Corridor	2	2
Narrabundah	5,030	5,586
Norfolk Island	1,250	1,253
O'Connor (ACT)	4,234	4,271
Parkes (ACT) - North	291	294
Parkes (ACT) - South	-	-
Red Hill (ACT)	2,644	3,144
Reid	1,458	1,719
Russell	-	-
Scrivener	77	78
Turner	3,096	3,239
Watson	4,754	5,166
Weston	-	-
Yarralumla	2,467	2,454
Grand Total	105,424	113,109

Fenner	Sum of Actual enrolments	Sum of Projected enrolment
Amaroo	4,064	3,894
Belconnen	4,691	4,965
Bonner	4,040	4,123
Casey	4,121	4,367
Charnwood	2,194	2,168
Crace	-	-
Dunlop	5,021	5,064
Evatt	3,886	3,930
Florey	3,442	3,437
Flynn (ACT)	2,583	2,628
Forde	2,836	2,750
Fraser	1,607	1,545
Giralang	-	-
Gooromon	2	2
Gungahlin	4,961	5,614
Gungahlin - East	-	-
Gungahlin - West	-	-
Hall	248	253
Harrison	4,511	4,207
Hawker	2,229	2,204
Higgins	2,473	2,529
Holt	4,070	4,464
Jacka	369	357
Jervis Bay	229	230
Latham	2,724	2,657
Macgregor (ACT)	4,644	4,669
Macnamara	20	20
Macquarie	2,195	2,212

McKellar	1,995	1,889
Melba	2,373	2,365
Molonglo Corridor	10	10
Moncrieff	2,839	3,344
Ngunnawal	7,250	7,518
Nicholls	4,980	4,746
Page	2,018	2,063
Palmerston	3,873	3,986
Scullin	2,074	1,939
Spence	1,995	1,859
Strathnairn	1,314	2,389
Taylor	3,425	6,592
Throsby	1,746	2,429
Weetangera	2,042	2,109
West Belconnen	3	3
Whitlam	985	2,859
Grand Total	106,082	114,389