

Senate Election Results

April 2014

On 7 September 2013 the Liberal-National Coalition was elected to form government, having achieved a majority of seats in the House of Representatives.

There are 76 seats in the Senate. Twelve senators represent each state, and the Australian Capital Territory and the Northern Territory are represented by two senators each.

Senators representing the states are normally elected for fixed terms of six years, commencing on 1 July following the election, and ceasing on 30 June six years later. As such, the senators elected at the 2013 Federal election will not commence their terms until 1 July 2014.

The term of the four senators from the territories is not fixed, rather defined by the date of the general House of Representatives election. Senators representing the territories commence their terms on the day that they are elected and their terms expire the day prior to the next general election day.

On 20 February 2014 the High Court, sitting as the Court of Disputed Returns, declared the 2013 Western Australian Senate election result void. As a result, on 28 February Western Australian Governor Malcolm McCusker issued the writ for a fresh election of six senators for Western Australia, which was held on 5 April 2014.

The Hawker Britton Occasional Paper on the House of Representatives election results and the Senate Composition until 1 July 2014 is available [here](#).

The Hawker Britton Occasional Paper on the results of the 2014 Western Australian Senate re-election is available [here](#).

The results and further figures are also available on the AEC website [here](#).

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Senate election results

The AEC has declared the following result from the 2013 Federal election and the WA re-election:

Party	Continuing	New	Total
Liberal/National Party/CLP	16	17	33
Australian Labor Party	13	12	25
Australian Greens	6	4	10
Palmer United Party	0	3	3
Others	1	4	5

The Liberal/National Coalition secured 17 senate seats. New Coalition senators include James McGrath and Arthur Matthew Canavan in Queensland, and Linda Reynolds in Western Australia.

The Australian Labor Party secured 12 senate seats, which represents a 6-seat loss on Labor's result in the last election of this half-Senate at the 2007 Federal election.

New Labor senators include Chris Ketter in Queensland and Joe Bullock in Western Australia.

The incoming Senate will be constituted by an unprecedented number of senators from minor parties:

- Four senators from The Australian Greens were elected, including new Senator for Victoria Janet Rice. The Australian Greens will hold ten senate seats from 1 July 2014.
- Three senators from the [Palmer United Party](#) were elected:
 - Glenn Lazarus in Queensland;
 - Jacqui Lambie in Tasmania; and
 - Dio Wang in Western Australia.
- David Leyonhjelm from the [Liberal Democratic Party](#) was elected Senator for New South Wales.
- Bob Day from the [Family First Party](#) was elected Senator for South Australia.
- Ricky Muir from the [Australian Motoring Enthusiasts Party](#) was elected Senator for Victoria.
- Independent Nick Xenophon, from the Nick Xenophon Group, was also re-elected as Senator for South Australia.

A full list of the Senators elected at the 2013 Federal election is available on page 4.

The Hawker Britton Occasional Paper on the House of Representatives election results and the Senate Composition until 1 July 2014 is available [here](#).

Replacement of Sen. Bob Carr

Following the resignation of Sen. Bob Carr, former ALP Member for Robertson, Deborah O'Neill, was chosen by the Australian Labor Party to fill the Senate vacancy. Ms O'Neill has been chosen to fill two vacancies: the remainder of former Senator Carr's term until 30 June 2014, and the term he was recently elected for, commencing 1 July 2014 for a period of six years.

The NSW State Parliament had a joint sitting on 14 November to fill the first vacancy. A second joint sitting ahead of 1 July 2014 will be needed to appoint Ms O'Neill to the second vacancy, as legally the two terms cannot be signed off on in one joint sitting.

Legislative agenda of the 44th Parliament

Following the result of the election, neither the Coalition nor the Australian Labor Party can command the 39 votes needed to pass legislation or to support motions. Unlike the current Senate, the votes of the Australian Labor Party and the Australian Greens senators combined will no longer be sufficient to pass legislation or support motions.

From 1 July 2014, the balance of power in the Senate rests with a diverse group of independents and minor parties.

If Labor and the Greens oppose, six of the eight crossbench senators will be needed to support a Government bill or motion. Up to five of the eight may be needed to defeat a non-Government motion including a motion of disallowance.

The policy platforms of some of the minor parties are provided in the following Hawker Britton Occasional Papers:

- The Hawker Britton Occasional Paper on the Palmer United Party is available [here](#).
- The Hawker Britton Occasional Paper on the Liberal Democratic Party is available [here](#).
- The Hawker Britton Occasional Paper on the Family First Party is available [here](#).
- The Hawker Britton Occasional Paper on the Australian Motoring Enthusiasts Party is available [here](#).

List of Senators elected

New South Wales		
1	Marise Payne	Liberal Party
2	Bob Carr*	Australian Labor Party
3	John Williams	The Nationals
4	Doug Cameron	Australian Labor Party
5	David Leyonhuelm	Liberal Democratic Party
6	Arthur Sinodinos	Liberal Party
Victoria		
1	Mitch Fifield	Liberal Party
2	Gavin Marshall	Australian Labor Party
3	Scott Ryan	Liberal Party
4	Jacinta Collins	Australian Labor Party
5	Janet Rice	Australian Greens
6	Ricky Muir	Australian Motoring Enthusiasts Party
Queensland		
1	Ian MacDonald	Liberal National Party
2	Chris Ketter	Australian Labor Party
3	James McGrath	Liberal National Party
4	Claire Moore	Australian Labor Party
5	Glenn Patrick Lazarus	Palmer United Party
6	Arthur Matthew Canavan	Liberal National Party
Western Australia		
1	David Johnston	Liberal Party
2	Joe Bullock	Australian Labor Party
3	Michaelia Cash	Liberal Party
4	Scott Ludlam	Australian Greens
5	Dio Wang	Palmer United Party
6	Linda Reynolds	Liberal Party
South Australia		
1	Cori Bernardi	Liberal Party
2	Nick Xenophon	Nick Xenophon Group
3	Penny Wong	Australian Labor Party
4	Sarah Hanson-Young	Australian Greens
5	Bob Day	Family First Party
6	Simon Birmingham	Liberal Party
Tasmania		
1	Richard Colbeck	Liberal Party
2	Carol Brown	Australian Labor Party
3	David Bushby	Liberal Party
4	Catryna Bilyk	Australian Labor Party
5	Peter Wish-Wilson	Australian Greens
6	Jacqui Lambie	Palmer United Party
Australian Capital Territory		
1	Kate Lundy	Australian Labor Party
2	Zed Seselja	Liberal Party
Northern Territory		
1	Nigel Scullion	Country Liberals (NT)
2	Nova Peris	Australian Labor Party (NT) Branch

Senate composition until 30 June 2014

	ALP (31)	Coalition (34)	Greens (9)	Other (2)
NSW	Sen. the Hon Doug Cameron Sen. Deb O'Neill** Sen. Sam Dastyari** Sen. the Hon John Faulkner Sen. the Hon Ursula Stephens	Sen. the Hon Concetta Fierravanti-Wells Sen. the Hon Bill Heffernan Sen. the Hon Marise Payne Sen. the Hon Arthur Sinodinos AO Sen. the Hon Fiona Nash Sen. John Williams	Sen. Lee Rhiannon	
Vic	Sen. Mehmet Tillem** Sen. the Hon Kim Carr Sen. the Hon Jacinta Collins Sen. the Hon Stephen Conroy Sen. Gavin Marshall	Sen. the Hon Mitch Fifield Sen. the Hon Michael Ronaldson Sen. the Hon Scott Ryan Sen. Bridget McKenzie Sen. Helen Kroger	Sen. Richard Di Natale	Sen. John Madigan
QLD	Sen. the Hon Joe Ludwig Sen. the Hon Jan McLucas Sen. Claire Moore Sen. Mark Furner Sen. the Hon John Hogg	Sen. the Hon George Brandis QC Sen. the Hon Ian Macdonald Sen. the Hon Brett Mason Sen. Barry O'Sullivan ** Sen. Sue Boyce Sen. the Hon Ronald Boswell	Sen. Larissa Waters	
WA	Sen. Sue Lines Sen. Glenn Sterle Sen. Louise Pratt Sen. Mark Bishop	Sen. Chris Back Sen. the Hon Michaelia Cash Sen. the Hon Mathias Cormann Sen. the Hon David Johnston Sen. Dean Smith Sen. Alan Eggleston	Sen. Rachel Siewert Sen. Scott Ludlam	
SA	Sen. Alex Gallacher Sen. Anne McEwen Sen. the Hon Penny Wong Sen. the Hon Don Farrell	Sen. Cory Bernardi Sen. the Hon Simon Birmingham Sen. Sean Edwards Sen. David Fawcett Sen. Anne Ruston	Sen. Sarah Hanson-Young Sen. Penny Wright	Sen. Nick Xenophon
Tas	Sen. Carol Brown Sen. Helen Polley Sen. the Hon Lisa Singh Sen. Anne Urquhart Sen. Catryna Bilyk Sen. the Hon Lin Thorp	Sen. the Hon Eric Abetz Sen. David Bushby Sen. the Hon Richard Colbeck Sen. Stephen Parry	Sen. Christine Milne Sen. Peter Whish-Wilson	
NT	Sen. Nova Peris OAM*	Sen. the Hon Nigel Scullion*		
ACT	Sen. the Hon Kate Lundy*	Sen. Zed Seselja*		

Black text indicates Senators whose Terms of Service will continue after 30 June 2014
Purple text indicates Senators whose Terms of Service will expire 30 June 2014

* Territory Senators elected at the 2013 Federal election, term commences immediately
** Replaced existing Senator

Senate composition from 1 July 2014

	ALP (25)	Coalition (33)	Greens (10)	Other (8)
NSW	Sen. Sam Dastyari Sen. the Hon John Faulkner Sen. the Hon Doug Cameron Sen. Deb O'Neill #	Sen. the Hon Concetta Fierravanti-Wells Sen. the Hon Bill Heffernan Sen. the Hon Fiona Nash Sen. the Hon Marise Payne Sen. the Hon Arthur Sinodinos AO Sen. John Williams	Sen. Lee Rhiannon	David Leyonhjelm
Vic	Sen. the Hon Kim Carr Sen. the Hon Stephen Conroy Sen. the Hon Jacinta Collins Sen. Gavin Marshall	Sen. the Hon Michael Ronaldson Sen. Bridget McKenzie Sen. the Hon Mitch Fifield Sen. the Hon Scott Ryan	Sen. Richard Di Natale Janet Rice	Sen. John Madigan Ricky Muir
QLD	Sen. the Hon Joe Ludwig Sen. the Hon Jan McLucas Sen. Claire Moore Chris Ketter	Sen. the Hon George Brandis QC Sen. the Hon Brett Mason Sen. Barry O'Sullivan Sen. the Hon Ian Macdonald James McGrath Arthur Matthew Canavan	Sen. Larissa Waters	Glenn Patrick Lazarus
WA	Sen. Sue Lines Sen. Glenn Sterle Joe Bullock	Sen. Chris Back Sen. the Hon Mathias Cormann Sen. Dean Smith Sen. the Hon David Johnston Sen. the Hon Michaelia Cash Linda Reynolds	Sen. Rachel Siewert Sen. Scott Ludlam	Zhenya ('Dio') Wang
SA	Sen. Alex Gallacher Sen. Anne McEwen Sen. the Hon Penny Wong	Sen. Sean Edwards Sen. David Fawcett Sen. Anne Ruston Sen. Cory Bernardi Sen. the Hon Simon Birmingham	Sen. Penny Wright Sen. Sarah Hanson-Young	Sen. Nick Xenophon Bob Day
Tas	Sen. Helen Polley Sen. the Hon Lisa Singh Sen. Anne Urquhart Sen. Carol Brown Sen. Catryna Bilyk	Sen. the Hon Eric Abetz Sen. Stephen Parry Sen. David Bushby Sen. the Hon Richard Colbeck	Sen. Christine Milne Sen. Peter Whish-Wilson	Jacqui Lambie
NT	Sen. Nova Peris OAM	Sen. the Hon Nigel Scullion		
ACT	Sen. the Hon Kate Lundy	Sen. Zed Seselja		

Black text indicates Senators whose Terms of Service will expire 30 June 2017

Blue text indicates Senators whose Terms of Service will expire 30 June 2020

Green text indicates Senators whose Terms of Service will expire at the next Federal Election

Underlined text indicates new Senators

Seat remains a casual vacancy to be filled by State Parliament