Getting started: Electoral rolls

Are you looking for information about an individual such as where they lived, where they now live or where their ancestors lived? Use this guide to search the electoral rolls.

## NEW SOUTH WALES

### NSW ELECTORAL ROLLS 1990-2008

**WHAT WILL YOU FIND**
- Addresses for people who enrolled to vote in NSW.

**WHERE TO FIND THE RESOURCE**
- Microfiche cabinets in the family history area.

**NOTE**
- Electoral rolls are available on microfiche
- Arranged alphabetically by voter family name
- Visit the Australian Electoral Commission for the current electoral roll.

### NSW ELECTORAL ROLLS 1903-1989

**WHAT WILL YOU FIND**
- Addresses for people who enrolled to vote in NSW
- Occupations until 1984.

**WHERE TO FIND THE RESOURCE**
- Microfiche cabinets in the family history area
- Some later years indexed on ancestrylibrary.proquest.

**NOTE**
- Electoral rolls are available on microfiche
- Most years are available
- Arranged by electoral district so you will need to know the suburb/town – staff can help locate the correct electoral district
- Occupations are not listed after 1984.

### NSW ELECTORAL ROLLS 1842-1900

**WHAT WILL YOU FIND**
- Addresses for people who enrolled to vote in NSW.

**WHERE TO FIND THE RESOURCE**
- Microfiche folders (1842-1864) and microfilm on the shelves (1859-1900) in the family history area
- Special Collections area for miscellaneous years and districts
- Some years indexed on ancestrylibrary.proquest.com.

**NOTE**
- Electoral rolls are available on microfilm and microfiche
- There are some gaps in this collection, especially in the earlier years. Ask at the family history desk about which years that are available.

## OTHER STATES

### ELECTORAL ROLLS 1990-2008

**WHAT WILL YOU FIND**
- Addresses of people enrolled in to vote in other Australian states and territories.

**WHERE TO FIND THE RESOURCE**
- Microfiche cabinets in the family history area.

**NOTE**
- Electoral rolls are available on microfiche
- Arranged alphabetically by voter family name.
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OTHER STATES (CONT.)

ELECTORAL ROLLS 1903-1989

WHAT WILL YOU FIND

▪ Addresses of people enrolled in other Australian states and territories
▪ Occupations until 1984.

WHERE TO FIND THE RESOURCE

Most rolls are in the microfiche cabinets in the family history area. Some are in the Special Collections area.

NOTE

▪ Electoral rolls are available on microfiche
▪ Only some years are available at the Library
▪ Only part of the roll is held for some years
▪ The rolls are arranged by electoral district. You will need to know the suburb/town. Staff will be able to help you locate the correct electoral district.

ELECTORAL ROLLS PRE 1900

WHAT WILL YOU FIND

Addresses of people enrolled to vote in Victoria, Queensland and South Australia.

WHERE TO FIND THE RESOURCE

Microfiche cabinets in the family history area.

NOTE

▪ Electoral rolls are available on microfiche
▪ Only some years are available at the Library.

NEW ZEALAND

ELECTORAL ROLLS

WHAT WILL YOU FIND

Addresses of people enrolled to vote in New Zealand 1853-1972.

WHERE TO FIND THE RESOURCE

Some years are in the family history area.

NOTE

▪ Electoral rolls are available on microfiche
▪ Only some years are available at the Library. Ask staff about which years are available.

ELECTORAL ATLASES AND CARD INDEXES

REFERENCE BOOKS AND LIBRARY CATALOGUES

WHAT WILL YOU FIND

▪ State or Commonwealth electoral district
▪ When electoral boundaries were changed
▪ Electoral maps.

WHERE TO FIND THE RESOURCE

▪ Ask at the family history desk for 'List of streets, roads and localities' for state districts and 'Commonwealth of Australia 1901-1988' for electoral redistributions for federal districts
▪ Electoral districts card index (1859-1899 and 1903-1969) in the family history area.

Staff in the family history area can help you with your research and using the Library's collections.


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