

DISTRICTS IN THE COUNTRY REGIONS

SOUTH WEST REGION DISTRICTS

Continued population growth is anticipated for the coastal strip from Mandurah to Augusta, with more modest population growth anticipated for the remainder of the region. Taking into account this demographic trend, the land use descriptors in section 16H of the *Electoral Act* and the other factors specified in section 16I, the Commissioners have established eight districts in the South West Region.

The districts of Albany and Bunbury reflect local government boundaries and satisfy community of interest requirements. The Vasse district reflects the existing community of interest between the Busselton, Dunsborough and Margaret River townships. While the Shire of Augusta-Margaret River is split, Augusta remains in the same electorate as the shires to the east.

The district of Blackwood-Stirling reunites the Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes and incorporates the Shire of Boyup Brook into the South West Region. This is the only adjustment to the existing South West Region boundary. It remains the Commissioners' view that the land use patterns of both these local government authorities render them appropriate for inclusion in the South West Region.

The districts of Dawesville and Mandurah generally reflect existing boundaries with adjustment for the purpose of balancing elector numbers. In response to a submission, the proposed district of Murray will now be called Murray-Wellington and adjoin the districts of Mandurah and Dawesville. A minor adjustment has been made to the boundary between Murray-Wellington and Mandurah, bringing North Yunderup and South Yunderup together in the same district.

The proposed district name Collie-Preston was opposed in a number of submissions. However, the Commissioners believe the name appropriately reflects the geographic connection to the Collie and Preston Rivers and, for this reason, the name Collie-Preston is retained.

Elector Statistics for the South West Region Districts

District	Elector Enrolment 26/2/07	Deviation from 2007 Average District Enrolment (%)
Albany	21,616	1.25
Blackwood-Stirling	20,009	-6.28
Bunbury	20,185	-5.46
Collie-Preston	22,195	3.96
Dawesville	20,041	-6.13
Mandurah	19,563	-8.37
Murray-Wellington	22,030	3.19
Vasse	22,232	4.13
Total	167,871	



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ELECTORAL DISTRICTS FOR SOUTH WEST REGION

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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REGION Electoral Region Boundary

DISTRICT Electoral District Boundary



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NORTH METROPOLITAN REGION

EAST METROPOLITAN REGION

SOUTH METROPOLITAN REGION

CENTRAL WHEATBELT

MANDURAH
see enlargement

DAWESVILLE

MURRAY-WELLINGTON

INDIAN OCEAN

BUNBURY
see enlargement

COLLIE-PRESTON

AGRICULTURAL REGION

WAGIN

SOUTH WEST REGION

BLACKWOOD-STIRLING

ALBANY
see enlargement

SOUTHERN OCEAN

