

NT became part of  
South Australia. At the  
time, SA laws allowed  
“all men” the right to  
vote.

South Australia, which included the NT, allowed “all women” the right to vote. (First in the world)

# Federation & Constitution

6 colonies came together to form one country called the 'Commonwealth of Australia' and a new federal parliament.

# Commonwealth Franchise Act

Law gave voting rights to all men and women *except*

“any Aboriginal native of Australia, Asia, Africa or Pacific Island, *except NZ*”

Voting and enrolment became compulsory in Australia (if you were allowed to vote, not for Aboriginal people).

Aboriginal people who were in the army (or had served in the army) were given right to vote in federal elections.

Aboriginal people were given full voting rights in federal elections. WA & NT allowed Aboriginal vote in state elections.

Voting and enrolment  
became compulsory for  
all voters, including for  
Aboriginal people.  
Mobile polling began.