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Redistribution of Northern Territory
Legislative Assembly Electoral Boundaries

**Report on the Redistribution of the
Northern Territory into Divisions**

Augmented Redistribution Committee



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2015 REDISTRIBUTION OF LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY DIVISIONS

The Augmented Redistribution Committee has undertaken a redistribution of the Northern Territory into divisions for the Legislative Assembly, in accordance with the *Electoral Act* Part 8, sections 137 to 149.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee's Report is available to the public along with maps showing the names and boundaries of the proposed divisions, in compliance with sections 148 and 149 of the *Electoral Act*.

Key stages in the redistribution process (*Electoral Act* sections 141 to 145) required the Redistribution Committee to:

- Publish a notice inviting written suggestions relating to the redistribution.
- Make the suggestions received available for public inspection.
- Publish a notice inviting written comments on the suggestions.
- Propose a redistribution of the Territory into divisions.
- Prepare, and make available for public inspection, maps for the proposed redistribution showing the names and boundaries of all proposed divisions.
- Publish a notice inviting written objections on the proposed redistribution.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee (*Electoral Act* sections 146 to 149):

- Considered all objections received.
- Decided the final redistribution of the Territory into divisions.
- Declared, by Gazette notice, the redistribution and the names and boundaries of the divisions.
- Gave the Minister a report to be tabled in the Legislative Assembly within 5 sitting days.
- Made copies of the report available for public inspection, without fee.

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Glossary

ABS	Australian Bureau of Statistics, the federal agency responsible for the collection, collation and dissemination of statistics relating to the Australian community, including population data.
AEC	Australian Electoral Commission, the federal agency responsible for maintaining the electoral roll in the NT.
ASGC	Australian Standard Geographical Classification. The geographical framework used by the ABS to June 2011.
ASGS	Australian Statistical Geography Standard. The geographical framework used by the ABS that replaced the ASGC in July 2011.
AUDITOR-GENERAL	The person occupying the position of Chief Executive of the NT Auditor-General's Office.
AUGMENTED REDISTRIBUTION COMMITTEE	The four person Redistribution Committee that is responsible for evaluating objections to the proposed NT divisions made by the three-person redistribution committee and making a final determination.
BOUNDARIES	The borders of a division created for the election of a member to the NT parliament.
CCD	Census Collection District – the geographical unit used by the ABS for the collection of Census data prior to the introduction of the new geographical framework in July 2011.
CHAIRPERSON OF COMMITTEE	The Redistribution Committee – the Electoral Commissioner; the Augmented Redistribution Committee – a duly qualified person appointed by the Administrator.
CLOSE OF ROLLS	The day fixed for the rolls for an election to close and by which all eligible electors must enroll and/or update their name and address details.
CLOSING DATE	The final day on which submissions (suggestions, comments and objections) can be made to the redistribution committees.
COMMENTS	The Redistribution Committee invites comments from the public and organisations on redistribution suggestions.
COMMISSION	Northern Territory Electoral Commission (NTEC).
COMMISSIONER	Electoral Commissioner, Chief Executive of the NTEC.
DIVISION	An electoral division for the election of a Member of the Legislative Assembly.
ELECTORAL ACT (EA)	The NT <i>Electoral Act</i> provides the legislative framework by which a redistribution must be carried out.
GDB	Geographic Database – an AEC geographical area building block.
GIS	Geographic Information System
ILIS	Integrated Land Information System – a system holding a range of information about land and property in the NT: cadastre; land acquisitions, administration, titles, valuation and use; planning and development assessments and controls.
JOINT ROLL	The electoral roll or list of electors eligible to vote for Commonwealth and NT parliamentary and local government elections, maintained under a formal arrangement between the Governor-General and the Administrator.
LA	The Legislative Assembly, the legislature for the Northern Territory. It consists of one chamber comprising 25 elected members of parliament.
MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION	The redistribution committees are obliged to consider matters such as an equality of electors in each division (subject to a 20% divergence); economic, social and regional interests; the feasibility of communication and travel; population density and trends; geographic features; existing federal, NT and local area boundaries including regions of Aboriginal land interest; and all suggestions and comments from the public in response to the redistribution process.
MLA	Member of the Legislative Assembly.
NAMES OF DIVISIONS	The committees are required to provide names for proposed divisions.
NT	Northern Territory
NTEC	Northern Territory Electoral Commission
NTG	Northern Territory Government
NT (SELF - GOVERNMENT) ACT	The <i>Northern Territory (Self-Government) Act 1978</i> (Cth) sets out the basic governance requirements for the NT legislature, including the methodology for determining the average number of electors in each parliamentary division (the quota) and an allowable divergence from that quota [\pm one fifth (20%)].

1 BACKGROUND

1.1 Legislative Base

The requirements for redistributing the electoral boundaries for the 25 divisions of the Northern Territory Legislative Assembly (LA) are contained within two statutes:

- The *Northern Territory (Self-Government Act) 1978* (Cth) (the Self-Government Act) section 13.
- The *Electoral Act* (the Act) Parts 3, 8 and 16.

The Self-Government Act section 13 provides for a distribution of the Territory into as many electoral divisions as there are members to be elected, and a 'quota' of electors for each division to be calculated by dividing the number of electors in the Territory, 'as nearly as can be ascertained', by the number of members to be elected [section 13(4)]. The number of electors in each proposed division must not exceed, or fall short of, the quota by more than one-fifth or 20% [section 13(5)].

The Electoral Act, Part 3 (section 9) provides for a Legislative Assembly of 25 members. Part 8 (sections 137 to 151) outlines the redistribution objectives and processes. Part 16 (sections 331 to 343) regulates the establishment, composition, functions, powers and procedures of two committees empowered to oversee proceedings.

1.2 Augmented Redistribution Committee (*Electoral Act* Part 16, sections 151, 334-343)

After the publication of boundary proposals by a Redistribution Committee, an Augmented Redistribution Committee convenes to consider the published proposals and objections received from the public and interested parties, before determining the boundaries for each division. Its decision is final.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee is comprised of the three members of the Redistribution Committee plus a person appointed as the Chairman by the Administrator.

The members of the 2015 Augmented Redistribution Committee were:

Peter Carew, Chairman
Iain Loganathan, Electoral Commissioner
Julie Crisp, Auditor-General
Craig Sandy, Surveyor-General.

1.3 Objects of Redistribution (*Electoral Act* section 139)

The Act sets out the objectives of a redistribution:

- At the time of the next general election, the number of electors in each proposed division should be as near to equal as practicable.
- The physical area of each division containing rural and remote areas should be kept as small as practicable.

- The demographic and geographic nature of each division should be as uniform as practicable.
- Identifiable communities should be included in only one division, if practicable.
- The names of existing divisions should not be changed unless an existing name is no longer appropriate.
- If a new name is proposed for a division, the use of locality names should be avoided.
- Subject to the above, changes to existing divisions should, as far as practicable, minimise the number of electors being transferred from one division to another.

1.4 Matters to be Considered by the Committees

(Self-Government Act section 13(4)(5) and *Electoral Act* section 140)

To comply with the legislation, the Committees must consider the following stipulation during the redistribution process:

The number of electors in each proposed division must not exceed, or fall short of, the quota mentioned in the Self-Government Act section 13(4), by more than one-fifth (20%) [section 13(5)]. The quota is calculated by dividing the total number of electors in the Territory by the number of divisions.

The Committees must also give proper consideration to the following matters for each of the proposed divisions:

- Community of interests including economic, social and regional interests.
- Types of communication and travel, with special reference to disabilities arising out of remoteness or distance.
- The trend of population changes in the Territory.
- The density of population.
- The area and physical features.
- Existing boundaries, including Territory and Commonwealth divisions, suburb, town and local government areas and wards, legislated areas and regions of Aboriginal land interest.
- All public suggestions and comments given under sections 141 and 142 of the Act.

1.5 The 2015 Redistribution Timetable

(*Electoral Act* sections 138, 141, 142, 145, 147 to 151)

A general election for the Legislative Assembly was held on 25 August 2012. The Act (section 138) stipulates that a redistribution must be conducted as soon as practical after two years and six months have passed since the polling day for the last general election.

The redistribution commenced on 25 February 2015 with a notice placed in the Northern Territory *Government Gazette* (the Gazette), the NT News and regional newspapers, inviting the public and interested parties to submit written suggestions to the Redistribution Committee.

Suggestions Received

(*Electoral Act* section 141)

Seven suggestions were received by the closing date, Friday 27 March 2015.

Suggestion Received From	Suggestion Received From
A. Anderson (MLA)	Country Liberals (Parliamentary Wing)
Australian Labor Party (NT Branch)	K. Trudgen
Coomalie Community Government Council	G. Wood (MLA)
Country Liberals	

The submissions received from the ALP, the Country Liberals (CL) and the CL Parliamentary Wing contained suggestions relating to all Territory divisions. All recognised the issues presented by the relatively low enrolment figures in the Centre, in contrast to growth in the Top End electorates, and suggested various solutions to realign the divisions.

The Australian Labor Party (ALP)

The ALP suggested the addition of one seat to inner Darwin, and the abolition of the seat of Stuart in Central Australia.

Country Liberals (CL) and its Parliamentary Wing

The suggestions for the LA divisions encompassed within the federal division of Solomon were the same - 13 LA divisions for the greater Darwin area (i.e. one new seat) and 12 (a loss of one rural/remote seat) within the federal division of Lingjari.

The two CL submissions differed over the realignment of Alice, rural and remote area seats. In particular, the CL suggested the abolition of the division of Greatorex while its Parliamentary Wing suggested that Namatjira be abolished.

Suggestions from individuals/council

Suggestion From	Nature of Suggestion
A. Anderson (MLA)	Namatjira - Advocated no change as the division met several redistribution criteria.
Coomalie Community Government Council	Daly – Use local government boundaries for electorate boundaries; maintain council within one division; include Douglas Daly region south of Adelaide River
K. Trudgen	Nhulunbuy - The division name no longer appropriate
G. Wood (MLA)	Nelson - Retain the rural nature of the electorate

Comments on Suggestions (Electoral Act section 143)

Comments on the suggestions were invited and twelve were received by the closing date, 13 April 2015.

Comments on Suggestions From	Comments on Suggestions From
Australian Labor Party (NT Branch)	H. L'Orange
J. Boland	MacDonnell Regional Council
Country Liberals	G. McCarthy MLA
M. Hall	D. Nicholls (Haritos)
H. Haritos	K. Trudgen
T. Haritos	U. Turner.

The ALP and CL affirmed their original positions.

Haritos family (new Top End division) – the six family members advocated the use of the family name to commemorate 100 years of residency in the NT.

K. Trudgen (Nhulunbuy and Arnhem Land) - Commented on boundaries and gave support to Yolngu recognition.

U. Turner (Electorates in Alice Springs and the surrounding divisions) - Mainly commented on division alternatives, including the retention of Namatjira and the abolition of Braitling.

MacDonnell Regional Council (Namatjira) - Containing the entire council area within a single electorate made dialogue with one elected representative easier.

G. McCarthy MLA (Barkly) - Advocated no change to Barkly and gave general support to the ALP position. He also supported the use of the name Haritos for a Top End division.

Following consideration of the suggestions and comments, the Redistribution Committee prepared a proposed redistribution of the Territory into divisions, and a report and accompanying maps were published on 16 June 2015. The public were advised of the proposed boundaries by press advertisements and invited to lodge objections to the proposal by 16 July 2015.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee considered all objections received and, as required by section 147 of the Act, redistributed the Territory into divisions. A redistribution declaration notice in the Gazette dated 16 September 2015 published the names and boundaries of those divisions. A report about the redistribution was provided to the Minister on that date.

An overview of the redistribution process can be found at Appendix A.

The new boundaries come into force at the next Legislative Assembly general election.

1.6 Description of Boundaries (*Electoral Act* sections 147 to 149)

Maps, produced by the Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment and showing the boundaries of the divisions as determined by the Augmented Redistribution Committee, were provided as schedules to the declaration notice published in the Gazette dated 16 September 2015. The maps were also placed on the NTEC website.

1.7 Calculation of Quota [Self-Government Act s13, *Electoral Act* section 140(1)]

The Self-Government Act section 13(4) states that a quota of electors for each division is calculated by dividing the number of electors in the Territory, 'as nearly as can be ascertained', by the number of members to be elected. Each division should contain a number of electors not exceeding, or falling short, of the quota by more than 20%, stipulated at section 13(5) of the Self-Government Act. Neither the Self-Government Act nor the Act provides a specific date for the striking of the quota.

A margin of plus or minus 5% has generally been used when determining an acceptable tolerance level in terms of elector numbers. Any move outside those parameters is based on projections of future elector increases (or decreases) and to maintain community of interest.

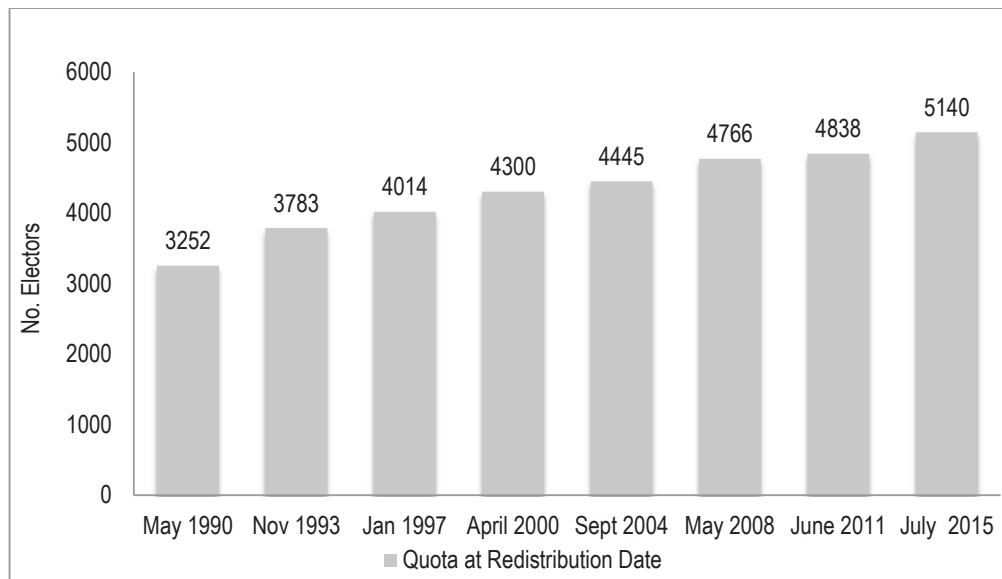
Following the introduction of regular fixed redistributions in 2004 and fixed term general elections from 2012, the primary concern for committees became one of ensuring numbers are within tolerable limits at the next general election, rather than catering for future projections.

Enrolment data extracted on 16 July 2015, the closing date for receipt of objections to the proposed boundaries, was used to determine the quota for the Augmented Redistribution Committee.

During the four years from the 2011 redistribution, the NT electoral roll showed modest growth. Between 30 June 2011 and 16 July 2015, the quota dates for the 2011 and 2015 Augmented Redistribution Committee determinations, the Territory roll increased by 7544 (6.2%) to 128 494 electors, resulting in a redistribution quota of 5140. See Appendix B.

The following graph shows the quotas applying at the determination of redistributions since 1990.

Graph - Northern Territory Electoral Quotas 1990-2015



1.8 Issues Arising from Elector Growth and Imbalances

Based on the legislative criteria and elector numbers, the major factors to be considered by the 2015 Redistribution Committee were how best to address:

- The increased elector growth in the Darwin suburb of Muirhead and in Palmerston.
- The declining number of electors in Alice Springs.
- The decline in elector numbers in Nhulunbuy.

2 OBJECTIONS RECEIVED AND CONSIDERED

2.1 Objections Received

(*Electoral Act* sections 144 to 146)

Notices, placed in the Gazette and Territory newspapers on 16 June 2015, advised of the availability of the report and maps outlining the proposed LA divisions and their names, and invited objections to the proposed divisions.

Interested persons or organisations who wished to make objections to the proposed divisions were given 30 days to forward objections, in writing, to the Augmented Redistribution Committee. By the closing date of 16 July 2015, 47 objections, including a number of petitions, had been received.

2015 Redistribution Objections

Objection Received From	Objection Received From
Alice Springs Town Council (ASTC) - Mayor	B. Nicholls
Australian Labor Party	C. Otley
L. Braham	W. Pfau
R. and R. Britto	K. Purick MLA
P. Cavenagh	C. Putland
S. Clyne	A. Reynolds
Country Liberals - Calder Branch	L. Reynolds
Country Liberals - Parliamentary Wing	Sanderson Electorate Petition
Country Liberals - Party	J. Skewes
A. Giles MLA & Petition	J. Sporn
M. Gordon	P. Strachan
A. Haritos	P. Styles MLA
G. Higgins MLA	P. Styles MLA - Darwin Golf Club Petition
K. Innes	P. Styles MLA - Sanderson Electorate Community Room Petition
D. and P. Jackson	
C. Kendrick	P. Styles MLA - Sanderson Electorate Petition
R. Lambley MLA	C. Teng
A. Latif	K. Teng
C. Leach	R. and G. Ther
S. Lewin	G. Tongatua
D. Lin	I. Towns
J. and D. Morgan	K. Trudgen
F. Morris	V. Vanessa
J. Moyle	G. Wood MLA

Objections were posted on the NTEC website and made available for public inspection at the NTEC offices in Darwin and Alice Springs.

The objections received by the Augmented Redistribution Committee, together with all suggestions and comments received by the Redistribution Committee in the earlier proceedings, are available at www.ntec.nt.gov.au.

2.2 Objections Considered by the Augmented Redistribution Committee

(Electoral Act section 146)

The party submissions all gave recognition to the challenging issues presented by elector growth in the Top End electorates in contrast to Central Australia and elector decline in Nhulunbuy.

There was consensus that an additional seat was needed in the Top End, which necessitated the loss of a seat in the Centre.

2.2.1 Party objections

The objections from political parties provided critique and suggestions on a range of matters, summarised below.

The Australian Labor Party (ALP)

The ALP gave broad support to the proposals for the Darwin inner city, remote northern and Katherine divisions. It drew attention to its original proposal for Johnston on community of interest grounds (move part of Coconut Grove to Fannie Bay, take in parts of Wagaman from Sanderson and part of Alawa from Casuarina) and to use the name Haritos for a changed Sanderson.

With regard to the Palmerston electorates, it drew attention to the development of the Palmerston divisions over time. It indicated support for boundary determinations that would be more reflective of their history:

- The old established suburbs of 20+ years - Driver, Gray, Moulden and Woodroffe.
- The now mature suburbs of 10-15 years - Bakewell, Durack, Farrar and Gunn.
- The new and growing suburbs - Bellamack, Johnston, Mitchell, Rosebery and Zuccoli.

In Central Australia, the ALP advocated the retention of Araluen and Braitling and referred to its original suggestion that the northern part of Stuart be moved into Daly, the southern part into Namatjira, with the eastern part of Namatjira being moved to Araluen, thereby abolishing Stuart.

The Country Liberals (CL)

The CL expressed concerns over compliance with sections 139 and 140 of the Electoral Act (redistribution objectives and matters to be considered), especially with regard to the high number of electors moving between divisions, maintaining

communities of interest, insufficient allowance for growth in a number of areas and reliance on ABS data rather than other reputable agencies. Specific comments included:

- Northern suburbs – Marrara electors have no community of interest with Fong Lim and other proposed boundary changes are unnecessary.
- Palmerston electorates – consider retaining more of the existing division structure and moving new communities into the new division of Spillett; review the projected growth figures for Blain and the suburbs of Durack Heights, Johnston and Zuccoli, up to and including 2018; retain Marlow Lagoon and Knuckey Lagoon in Drysdale; reverse the names for Drysdale and Spillett.
- Central Australia – retain Stuart, as the proposed merged division is not justified; it referred to its original submission:
 1. Retain three Alice Springs divisions on the basis of future enrolment equity.
 2. Keep the current three divisions as the core for new divisions, all drawing on the division of Namatjira to bolster their numbers.
 3. Establish two divisions within the central urbanised area of Alice Springs (both 10% above quota) and a third division from the remainder of that area, supplemented by the adjoining rural area – its preferred option.

In conclusion, it referred the Augmented Redistribution Committee to its original suggestions.

The CL Parliamentary Wing

The CL Parliamentary Wing expressed concerns with compliance to community of interest, ease of communication and travel and existing boundaries criteria. It noted that the congruence with the Commonwealth Solomon and Lingiari boundaries was compromised and made the following specific objections and suggested adjustments:

- Inner Darwin – move the suburb of Stuart Park from Fannie Bay to Fong Lim as no benefits were achieved by proposals to relocate the suburb or part of Ludmilla.
- Northern suburbs – Marrara to be retained in Sanderson; to accommodate elector movement from the northern suburbs, examine the potential to extend Karama to the Stuart Highway, or move the boundaries of Johnston and/or Nightcliff southwards through Ludmilla suburb.
- Palmerston electorates – review the proposal for Blain on the grounds of elector growth and configure boundaries of the new division of Spillett to incorporate some 1000 electors from Palmerston.
- Darwin rural areas – keep Robertson Barracks in Nelson.
- Northern remote areas – review community of interest criteria and include Marrakai in Arafura or Goyder.
- Central Australia – retain three town seats for Alice Springs and if this were not possible, incorporate town and rural areas in Namatjira; address community of interest criteria for Stuart.

2.2.2 Objections received by region

Submissions relating to a particular division or issue, and those commenting on more than one division were grouped according to that division for the Augmented Redistribution Committee to consider.

Darwin and Northern Suburbs (20 objections - including petitions)

Objections From	Nature of Objection/s
M. Gordon	<p>Suggested adjustments:</p> <p>Fong Lim and Spillett: Extend the Stuart Highway boundary of Fong Lim to include Winnellie, Coonawarra, Berrimah and East Arm, the military population in The Narrows, Marrara, and the remainder of the proposed Spillett, including Robertson Barracks, in one electorate, rather than splitting between Fong Lim and Spillett.</p> <p>Sanderson: Use Lee Point Road as a continuous boundary; include Leanyer in Sanderson (rather than Wagaman and portions of Wanguri).</p> <p>Casuarina and Somerville:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Casuarina: Include Alawa, Nakara, and Brinkin, together with Wagaman from Sanderson and part of Tiwi. 2. Somerville: could span the northern half of Lee Point Road taking in Buffalo Creek, Lee Point, Muirhead, Lyons, Wanguri and part of Tiwi. <p>OR</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Casuarina: Alawa, Nakara, Brinkin, Wagaman and Wanguri. 4. Somerville: Tiwi, Lyons, Muirhead, Lee Point and Buffalo Creek.
R. & R. Britto, K. Innes, D. & P. Jackson, A. Latif, D. Lin, J. & D. Morgan, J. Moyle, Sanderson Petition, J. Skewes, J. Sporn, P. Styles MLA, P. Styles Darwin Golf Club, P. Styles Electorate Community Room, P. Styles Sanderson Petition, C. Teng, K. Teng, R. & G. Ther, V. Vanessa	Marrara suburb (currently Sanderson division) has a community of interest (social, cultural and physical), ease of transport with the northern suburbs, rather than with Fong Lim. Remoteness from and lack of synergy with the current Fong Lim electorate and its office.
A. Haritos	Name of new Top End division to be Haritos.

Palmerston and Rural Areas (5 objections - including petitions)

Objections From	Nature of Objection/s
Country Liberals – Calder Branch: Palmerston Divisions	<p>Concerns over proposals for the Palmerston divisions included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50% of electors in Palmerston would change their division. • Elector numbers in Blain could grow, resulting in a diminished vote value, under-representation of the electorate, with the potential to trigger a mid-term redistribution. • Projected growth in Zuccoli and Durack Heights had not properly been considered. • Spillett - the people of Farrar and Durack share no commonality with the people of Winnellie/the new division of Spillett; the proposed division includes electors from three municipalities. <p>Suggested adjustments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Palmerston divisions to only include electors from surrounding areas e.g. Berrimah Farm and Robertson Barracks that share a community of interest. • As Palmerston equates to 3.6 elector quotas and given the projected growth in Zuccoli and Spillett prior to the 2016 elections, there could be sufficient electors to support four divisions solely within the Palmerston region. • Split the developing suburb of Zuccoli over multiple divisions: a strong community of interest is yet to be established and the impact of dividing this suburb would be minimal. • Reconsider names for proposed Spillett and Drysdale: as the majority of the existing Drysdale is in the proposed division of Spillett (Durack, Durack Heights & Yarrowonga), swap the name Drysdale with Spillett to minimise the electors being transferred from one division to another; the new name would be given to a conglomerate of suburbs never before connected (Driver, part of Gray, Moulden and Bellamack).
K. Purick MLA	<p>Goyder – suggested adjustments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retain the Humpty Doo area north of Arnhem Highway up to Pioneer Road. • Transfer Herbert into Nelson. • Include Marrakai and Corroboree communities and balance numbers by shrinking back from Southport and Tumbling Waters and/or Acacia Hills.
P. Cavenagh, C. Leach, G. Wood MLA	<p>Nelson - suggested adjustments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Extend Nelson's boundaries from Stow Rd and cover developed areas only; include Howard Springs, the pine forests, Shoal Bay, Koolpinyah, Gunn Point etc. in a Palmerston electorate (Cavenagh). • Holtze to be in Nelson (Leach). • The Aboriginal Community (15 Mile) Section 4234 and the Wallaby Holtze Road community to remain within a rural electorate (Wood).

Katherine

No individual submissions were received from Katherine. See G. Higgins, remote northern divisions.

Remote Northern Divisions (4 objections)

Objections From	Nature of Objection/s
G. Higgins MLA	<p>Daly – suggested adjustments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retain Berry Springs, Southport, Blackmore, Tumbling Waters, Weddell and surrounds. • Lose electors from Marrakai, Wagait and Belyuen to a Darwin division; to balance numbers keep Fly Creek, Acacia Hills, Livingstone and Manton. • Create a second division for Katherine or relocate Dundee beach electors to Goyder. • Southern boundary of Daly to follow Fitzmaurice River and, to the north-west, the Dorisvale Rd to the immediate south of Pine Creek.
C. Putland	Nhulunbuy – suggested the name Macassan and consultation over an acceptable name, especially for the Anindilyakwa people.
G. Tongatua	Group Yolngu communities together i.e. Milingimbi, Galiwin'ku, Yirrkala, Gapuwiyak, Nhulunbuy so they can engage collectively in the non-indigenous political process in a meaningful and empowering way.
K. Trudgen	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Yolngu spread across three electorates. • Arafura unrepresentable because of distance, geography and diverse communities. • Concern for reduced representation in 'Lingjari' divisions; use weighted/reduced quota. • Suggested Gapuwiyak to be in the former Nhulunbuy electorate boundary; retain Groote Eylandt in the Arnhem electorate and though this would place Milingimbi and Ramingining alone as a Yolngu grouping in Arnhem, they would have a strong majority in the adjacent electorate.

Alice Springs and Central Australia Divisions (15 objections - including petitions)

Objections From	Nature of Objection/s
S. Clyne, B. Nicholls, C. Otley, W. Pfau, A. Reynolds, L. Reynolds (proformas)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed loss of division of Araluen. • Reduction in voice of Alice Springs in NTLA. • Proposed move of Larapinta, Ilparpa, Connellan, Kilgariff suburbs into a merged division that has no commonality.
ASTC Mayor, R. Lambley MLA, S. Lewin, F. Morris (individual letters)	<p>Alice Springs to retain three divisions, based on communities of interest, retention of representation (All).</p> <p>The proposed merged division is socially and geographically diverse, a conglomerate lacking commonality; retain five Central Australian electorates and reinforce existing connections; increase the population of Araluen, Greatorex and Braitling by including a close bush community in each; Stuart – exclude any part of Alice Springs or of Central Australia south of Ti Tree east from the Queensland border to the Western Australian border and move Stuart boundaries north; use a weighted/reduced quota (Lambley).</p>
L. Braham, A. Giles MLA + Petition, C. Kendrick, P. Strachan, I. Towns (individual letters + petition)	<p>The proposed merged division is too large and disparate: retain three electorates; include parts of Namatjira in all three (Braham.)</p> <p>Letter noted potential roll errors, expected economic activity, attention to s140 of the Act (matters to be considered) and critique of composition of the merged division. Petition requested retention of three Alice Springs divisions (Giles).</p> <p>Electors in the rural town of Alice Springs, particularly from Larapinta, to be in contiguous areas; bush areas to be amalgamated with other bush areas (Kendrick). Retain name Araluen instead of Braitling (Strachan).</p> <p>Objection to the removal of Araluen electorate (Towns).</p>

2.3 Methodology

The Augmented Redistribution Committee, at its initial meeting on 18 June 2015, affirmed the:

- Independence of its deliberations from the political process.
- Impartiality of the members.
- Confidentiality and discretion with which proceedings are conducted.

A statement was prepared to remind relevant NTEC and Lands, Planning and Environment staff of the code of conduct, paying particular attention to confidentiality and security requirements.

A number of factors were examined in determining the redistribution.

2.3.1 Enrolment trends and statistics leading up to the next LA election scheduled for 27 August 2016

The Augmented Redistribution Committee noted that, as part of the preparations for the redistribution, an enrolment integrity program (Quality Roll 2014) had been undertaken across the Territory, with a full door-knock taking place in Alice Springs and Nhulunbuy, two areas showing particular declines in elector numbers.

As at 16 July 2015, ten of the 25 LA divisions were within 5% of quota on existing boundaries. At a regional level, growth in enrolment to more than 10% variance from quota took place in the Top End, in the two Darwin divisions of Fannie Bay and Wanguri and, quite significantly, in all three Palmerston divisions. Declines in enrolment resulting in more than 10% variance occurred in Nelson in the Top End, the remote divisions of Nhulunbuy and Stuart and all three Alice Springs divisions.

Divergences more than 10% over/under quota

> 10% over quota		> 10% under quota	
Division	% Variance on Quota	Division	% Variance on Quota
Blain	+26.0	Araluen	-15.5
Brennan	+19.6	Braitling	-18.9
Drysdale	+13.5	Greatorex	-19.6
Fannie Bay	+10.3	Nelson	-12.3
Wanguri	+11.2	Nhulunbuy	-21.8
		Stuart	-11.7

Blain (26% over quota) and Nhulunbuy (21.8% under quota) were outside the $\pm 20\%$ tolerance permissible under the Self-Government Act. The *Electoral Act* [s138(3)] allows the Administrator to direct a redistribution to be conducted if the number of electors in a division exceeds, or falls short of, the quota mentioned in section 13(4) of the Self-Government Act by more than 20%. As the redistribution had already commenced such a direction was not necessary.

Enrolment projections obtained from the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS), indicated that the number of electors per NT division would increase by an average of 3.3% by 27 August 2016, the scheduled date for the next LA election.

2.3.2 The legislative criteria

Advice was sought from the NT Solicitor-General's office in relation to section 13(5) of the Self Government Act and the permissible tolerance. In response, it was outlined that a redistribution would likely be triggered if a division deviated above or below 20% after a redistribution and before an election. If the 20% variation occurred after the election, it would be addressed at the next scheduled redistribution.

The Electoral Act section 140 requires the Committees to give proper consideration to, amongst other factors, community of interest including economic, social and regional interests.

A number of objections (including petitions) were received under section 140 on community of interest grounds, due to the proposed move of Marrara away from representation in the northern Darwin suburbs, the separation of the Yolngu communities across three remote northern divisions and the inclusion of Larapinta in a division with rural and remote components.

Whilst the concept of community of interest is difficult to define, the objections highlighted where local community factors should be considered before boundaries were finalised. The Augmented Redistribution Committee met with the following individuals, organisations and parties to further discuss the issues raised in their objections.

Person/Entity	Date of Meeting	Location of Meeting
Country Liberals – Party and Calder Branch (Suzanne Cavanagh, Graeme Lewis, Tory Mencshelyi, Peter Pattemore [Calder Branch])	29 July 2015	NTEC Darwin (Meeting curtailed; rescheduled for 7 August 2015)
G. Higgins MLA	5 August 2015	Teleconference
ALP (Ryan Neve)		NTEC Darwin
P. Styles MLA		Sanderson Electorate Office, Karama
A. Giles MLA, Chief Minister	6 August 2015	NTEC Alice Springs
Lorraine Braham		
Alice Springs Town Council (Rex Mooney, CEO and Steve Brown, Deputy Mayor)		
R. Lambley, MLA		
K. Purick MLA	7 August 2015	Goyder Electorate Office, Coolalinga
G. Wood MLA		Nelson Electorate Office, Howard Springs
Country Liberals – Party (Suzanne Cavanagh, Graeme Lewis, Tory Mencshelyi, Rick Setter)		NTEC Darwin (Resumed meeting)
K. Trudgen		Teleconference
G. Higgins MLA	13 August 2015	Berry Springs Electorate Office
East Arnhem Regional Council - Banambi Wunungmurra, (President), Gawura Wanambi (Deputy President), John Japp (Chief Executive Officer)	25 August 2015	NTEC Darwin

Following consideration of the objections, modelling was undertaken on the following:

- Retaining Marrara in a northern suburb division.
- Reconsidering the alignment of the Palmerston electorates.
- Reviewing the composition of the division of Nhulunbuy.
- Revisiting the configuration of the Alice Springs and Central Australia divisions.

2.3.3 Supporting information

The Redistribution Committees liaised with the Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment for access to data on housing stock and planning approvals up to the 2016 LA election, which indicated increased elector growth in areas within Darwin and Palmerston.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee also:

- Confirmed land and property data available through the Integrated Land Information System (ILIS) e.g. land release data, new housing building permits, dwelling completions and certificates of occupancy.
- Sought information from municipal councils and utility service providers to verify service provision to rateable premises.
- Modelled elector growth for occupied dwellings and approved developments, based on house, flat and unit occupancy rates.
- Monitored commentary in the public domain about capital city domestic vacancy rates, supply and demand in the housing markets and business indicators.

3 THE 2015 ELECTORAL BOUNDARIES

(Electoral Act section 147)

This section provides details of the redistribution of the LA divisions. Copies of the maps showing division boundaries are available with this report.

Enrolment numbers and variance on quota by current LA divisions are shown in Appendix C, Table (a) and for the newly determined divisions in Appendix C, Table (b).

Appendix D provides a summary of the number of electors to be transferred between divisions (using ABS Statistical Area Level 1 data) arising from the Augmented Redistribution Committee's proposals.

Seventeen divisions are within $\pm 5\%$ of the quota, with the variance in the remaining eight divisions ranging from +9.6% (Braitling) to -17.0% (Spillet).

3.1 Darwin and Suburbs

Inner Darwin

There are currently nine divisions fully contained within the Darwin municipal boundaries. Since the 2011 redistribution, the nine divisions have collectively shown an increase of 4362 electors.

Inner Darwin divisions - Fannie Bay, Fong Lim and Port Darwin

The Augmented Redistribution Committee determined that:

- Inner Darwin would have three divisions.
- Port Darwin would be under quota to allow for elector growth arising from inner city unit development.
- Fannie Bay would gain Coconut Grove electors, currently in Johnston, to balance elector numbers in the northern suburbs.
- The suburb of Ludmilla would be split between Fannie Bay and Fong Lim to balance elector numbers in those two divisions.

Fannie Bay

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
5670	+10.3	5437	+5.8

It was determined that Fannie Bay would:

- Gain the portion of Coconut Grove currently in the division of Johnston.
- Gain part of Ludmilla and Parap from Fong Lim; Parap suburb now to be fully contained within the division.
- Lose all of Stuart Park to Fong Lim.

Fong Lim

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
4843	-5.8	5243	+2.0

The size of the division is significantly reduced and it becomes an inner Darwin division. It was determined that Fong Lim would:

- Gain Tipperary Waters from Port Darwin and Stuart Park from Fannie Bay.
- Lose parts of Ludmilla and Parap to Fannie Bay.
- Lose Archer, Berrimah, Coonawarra, East Arm, Eaton, Hidden Valley, Marlow Lagoon, Pinelands, The Narrows and Winnellie to the new division of Spillett.

Port Darwin

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
5353	+4.1	4789	-6.8

Enrolment has been steady in inner city Port Darwin for some time, despite significant unit development. Between 11 February 2015 and 16 July 2015, both dates at which roll data was extracted for the redistribution, the division grew by 173 electors indicating an upward trend in enrolment. Additionally, the City of Darwin by-election in October 2015 (Lyons Ward) was considered likely to stimulate further enrolment.

It was determined that Port Darwin should remain below quota to factor in elector growth. The division loses Tipperary Waters to Fong Lim.

The Darwin Northern Suburb Divisions

The Augmented Redistribution Committee noted significant community objection to moving the suburb of Marrara from Sanderson to Fong Lim, as its community of interest is with the northern suburbs.

To balance elector numbers and factor in elector growth in Muirhead, approximately 1000 electors currently in the northern suburbs needed to be transferred.

Casuarina

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
5388	+4.8	5211	+1.4

It was determined that Casuarina would gain a portion of Lyons from Wanguri, with Lyons being fully contained within Casuarina; it would lose part of Alawa to Johnston, balancing elector numbers.

Johnston

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
5320	+3.5	5049	-1.8

It was determined that Johnston would gain part of Alawa from Casuarina and lose a portion of Coconut Grove to Fannie Bay to balance elector numbers in the northern suburbs.

Karama, Nightcliff and Sanderson

Division	Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
Karama	5090	-1.0	5090	-1.0
Nightcliff	5235	+1.9	5235	+1.9
Sanderson	5435	+5.7	5435	+5.7

The significant community objection to moving the suburb of Marrara out of Sanderson division, based on community of interest grounds, was noted.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee determined no changes to the boundaries of the three divisions.

Wanguri

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
5717	+11.2	5026	-2.2

To balance elector numbers in the northern suburbs, the Augmented Redistribution Committee determined to split the suburb of Alawa, rather than the suburb of Wanguri as was proposed by the Redistribution Committee. Wanguri loses its portion of Lyons to Casuarina.

With the retention of the suburb of Wanguri within the division, there is no longer a need to change the name of the division.

3.2 Palmerston and Rural Areas

Elector numbers in the current five divisions covering Palmerston and the rural areas have grown by 4091 since the 2011 redistribution. Enrolment in the five divisions at 16 July 2015 was equivalent to 5.5 quotas.

The Palmerston Divisions

The three Palmerston divisions currently comprise 3.6 quotas and, if current enrolment trends continue, are likely to make up four divisions at the next redistribution. The ABS has projected elector growth of 6.5% across the three divisions in the year leading up to the 2016 LA election.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee noted:

- Objections to the proposed dispersal of the Palmerston divisions and the suggestions to base the divisions around the old established, developed and new suburbs of the city.
- Objections to moving so many electors and the suggestions for configuring the divisions to reduce elector movement.

To maintain communities of interest and to balance numbers, the Augmented Redistribution Committee determined that the new division, Spillett, would include Durack (which has significant growth in Durack Heights) and the new suburbs of Johnston, Mitchell and Zuccoli. It would also include The Narrows, Coonawarra, Berrimah and Marlow Lagoon. With all the Palmerston growth areas located in one division, it was drawn well under quota to factor in a significant increase in elector numbers.

Blain

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
6478	+26.0	5163	+0.5

It was determined that Blain would lose the majority of Moulden to Drysdale and Zuccoli and Mitchell to the new division of Spillett.

Brennan

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
6148	+19.6	5219	+1.5

It was determined that the division would lose the suburb of Johnston to Spillett.

Drysdale

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
5833	+13.5	5345	+4.0

The Augmented Redistribution Committee determined that Drysdale would gain nearly all of Moulden from Blain and lose Durack to Spillett.

Spillett (new division)

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
New Division		4268	-17.0

Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment data on housing stock and planning approvals indicated that approximately 470 new residences would be occupied in Palmerston before the 2016 LA election.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee also noted a likely degree of under-enrolment within Palmerston in the newer suburbs, though enrolment was expected to increase as electors were picked up by the federal direct

enrolment update (FDEU) program and election campaign enrolments from the City of Palmerston council by-election scheduled for October 2015 and the 2016 LA general election.

Though it was difficult to predict enrolment growth with any precision, known development data led the Augmented Redistribution Committee to allow for significant growth. Accordingly, it was determined that the new division would be well under quota to accommodate elector growth. Spillett gains:

- Mitchell and Zuccoli from Blain.
- The suburb of Johnston from Brennan.
- Durack from Drysdale.
- Archer, Berrimah, Coonawarra, East Arm, Eaton, Hidden Valley, Marlow Lagoon, Pinelands, The Narrows and Winnellie from Fong Lim.

The Rural Areas

Divisions of Goyder and Nelson

The two rural divisions of Goyder and Nelson collectively made up 1.9 quotas at 16 July 2015. The Augmented Redistribution Committee determined to retain the two divisions, with boundary changes to balance elector numbers. It noted objections to moving Wallaby Holtze Road out of Nelson and Berry Springs out of Daly as well as a suggestion that Marrakai should be moved to Goyder.

Goyder

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
5414	+5.3	5244	+2.0

It was determined that the division would gain Acacia Hills, Marrakai, Mount Bundy and surrounds from Daly and lose Herbert to Nelson.

Nelson

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
4507	-12.3	5325	+3.6

The Augmented Redistribution Committee determined that the division would gain Herbert from Goyder.

3.3 Katherine

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
5004	-2.6	5004	-2.6

The Katherine seat has remained near quota and largely follows the municipal boundary.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee determined no changes to boundaries for Katherine.

3.4 Remote Northern Divisions

The three adjoining divisions occupying the north coast and Arnhem Land, i.e. Arafura, Arnhem and Nhulunbuy, had a total enrolment of 14 293 electors, equivalent to 2.8 quotas. Current enrolment varied between the divisions with Nhulunbuy (-21.8%, below quota), Arnhem (-4.6%, below quota) and Arafura (4.4% above quota). Nhulunbuy elector numbers decreased significantly due to a population shift following the closure of the bauxite refinery. The division of Daly was over quota at 5.1%.

In its deliberations on all the remote divisions, the Augmented Redistribution Committee was cognisant of the difficulty in aligning community of interests within geographically large divisions.

In the northern remote areas, the Augmented Redistribution Committee was required to address elector decline in Nhulunbuy and the objections to combining Nhulunbuy and Groote Eylandt in the same division.

It determined to retain the divisional name Nhulunbuy and include Milingimbi and Ramingining within its boundaries. Bickerton Island and Groote Eylandt were retained in Arnhem.

Arafura

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
5368	+4.4	4698	-8.6

The Augmented Redistribution Committee confirmed the proposed move of Jabiru and Kakadu out of Arafura to Arnhem, whilst acknowledging the move leaves the division below quota. Options to bring the division closer to quota impacted on communities of interest and caused an elector imbalance in Arnhem.

Arnhem

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
4906	-4.6	4972	-3.3

The Augmented Redistribution Committee determined that Arnhem would:

- Gain Jabiru and Kakadu from Arafura.
- Gain Barunga, Beswick, Mataranka and surrounds from Stuart.
- Lose Milingimbi and Ramingining to Nhulunbuy.

Daly

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
5403	+5.1	5033	-2.1

The Augmented Redistribution Committee noted:

- Objections to moving Berry Springs out of the division and moving its division boundary southwards.
- The suggestion for Marrakai to be moved to Goyder division, based on community of interest.

It was determined that Daly would:

- Retain Berry Springs.
- Gain a number of localities from the northern-most part of Stuart, including Douglas-Daly, Kybrook Farm, Pine Creek and their surrounding areas.
- Lose Marrakai and surrounds to Goyder division.

Nhulunbuy

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
4019	-21.8	5469	+6.4

ABS projections indicated the enrolled population of Nhulunbuy town would continue to decline.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee determined that Nhulunbuy division would gain Milingimbi and Ramingining from Arnhem, thereby keeping both those communities, with their shared community of interest, in the same division.

Whilst close cultural links also extend to Gapuwiyak, inclusion of all three communities in the Nhulunbuy division would have caused considerable elector imbalance. It was decided that Gapuwiyak would remain in Arnhem to balance elector numbers.

The name Nhulunbuy was retained.

3.5 Alice Springs and Remote Central Divisions

The current three Alice Springs divisions were unchanged at the 2011 redistribution and were all left marginally under quota (collectively at 2.9 quotas) in an effort to retain the strong community links represented by the precincts of the Alice Springs municipality.

All declined further against the quota over the four years following the 2011 redistribution and together comprised less than 2.5 quotas in July 2015. ABS enrolment projections for Alice Springs indicated slower elector growth relative to the Top End.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee noted the strong views of a number of Alice Springs stakeholders - electors, the municipal council and two local MLAs - firstly against a proposed reduction from three to two seats for Alice Springs and, secondly, the creation of a merged division incorporating remote, rural and urban elements that would have included the town suburb of Larapinta.

The opposition to the proposed boundaries was based principally on the grounds of reduced representation of Alice Springs town interests in the Territory parliament and the disparate nature and lack of cohesiveness in the proposed merged division. Following the investigation of a number of options and full consideration of the objections lodged, the Committee decided that, while it empathised with local sentiments, the preferred model, on the basis of elector numbers, was to:

- Abolish the seat of Greatorex, currently 19.6% under quota, on the basis that elector numbers could not sustain a third town-based division.
- Incorporate most of the urban areas in Alice Springs north of the Heavitree Gap into two town divisions, both over quota – Araluen and Braitling.
- Incorporate areas largely south of Heavitree Gap into Namatjira.
- Retain the division of Stuart, transferring areas in the north to the divisions of Daly and Arnhem and moving Stuart's southern boundary to take in part of Namatjira.

Araluen

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
4341	-15.5	5459	+6.2

The Augmented Redistribution Committee determined that the division would be retained, with changed boundaries. It was decided that the division would:

- Gain part of the suburb of Araluen from Braitling.
- Gain Desert Springs and parts of East Side, Mount Johns and Sadadeen from Greatorex.
- Lose the mainly rural areas south of Heavitree Gap to Namatjira.

Braitling

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
4170	-18.9	5633	+9.6

It was determined that the division would gain the majority of East Side and part of Sadadeen from Greatorex and lose part of the suburb of Araluen to the division of Araluen.

Namatjira

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
5260	+2.3	5133	-0.1

The division currently surrounds Alice Springs, with State borders on three sides limiting options for change.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee's decision to have two town-based Alice Springs divisions necessitated boundary changes to Namatjira. As Araluen and Braitling are both over quota, it was determined that Namatjira would:

- Gain the mainly rural areas south of Heavitree Gap from Araluen and the areas east of Alice Springs from Greatorex.
- Lose Areyonga, Haasts Bluff, Hermannsburg, Kintore, Mount Liebig, Papunya and Wallace Rockhole and surrounding communities to Stuart.

Barkly

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
4923	-4.2	4981	-3.1

It was determined that minimal changes would be made to the division, mainly to align SA1 boundaries.

Stuart

Current Boundary 16 July 2015		Final Boundary 16 July 2015	
Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
4538	-11.7	5033	-2.1

The Redistribution Committee proposed to include a large part of Stuart in a renamed merged division, comprising remote, rural and urban areas. Noting the community objection to this, the Augmented Redistribution Committee determined that Stuart would be retained, losing the northern part of the division to Arnhem and Daly and gain part of Namatjira.

It was decided that Stuart would:

- Gain the communities of Areyonga, Haasts Bluff, Hermannsburg, Kintore, Mount Liebig, Papunya, Wallace Rockhole and surrounding communities from Namatjira.
- Lose Barunga, Beswick, Mataranka and surrounds in the north to Arnhem and lose Douglas Daly, Kybrook Farm, Pine Creek and their surrounding areas to Daly.

4 FUTURE TRENDS

Complexities for future redistribution committees will not lessen. This redistribution addressed to some extent known imbalances in current elector numbers and a growing disparity between the Top End and elsewhere. Population increase is influenced by a number of dynamics, including social and economic factors. Population increase does not always equate to elector growth.

The impacts of the commencement and conclusion of major developments and projects are difficult to predict. Redistribution modelling requires known timeframes and a degree of project quantification in order to assess with any certainty the effect of infrastructure ventures and initiatives on Territory enrolment.

4.1 Enrolment Trends

As planning approvals allow for the subdivision of large land parcels, new smaller 300 m² land parcels and infill in Darwin suburbs will ensure continued growth in the Darwin regional area. Land releases and rural area development will similarly increase the population and housing density in the rural electorates.

To comply with the quota parameters, future redistribution committees may need to split suburbs in order to address the consequences of the construction of more high-rise buildings, and the rise in medium density housing stock in urban areas. This is a practice that has largely been avoided to date.

Under-enrolment is a consistent feature of the remote divisions due to the difficulties associated with providing enrolment service to remote communities. This is mainly due to the fact that core AEC enrolment programs, including Federal Direct Enrolment Update (FDEU) and Continued Roll Update (CRU), do not operate in remote regions as they are not effective.

Enrolment in Central Australia and in all the remote areas is in continued decline relative to the Top End. With the abolition of the division of Greatorex, only six seats remain south of Daly, three of which are urban divisions.

4.2 Concerns over Representation

A number of objections articulated disquiet that the loss of a division in Central Australia would lead to a reduced voice, not only for Alice Springs, but for regional voices generally in the Territory parliament. This perception of disempowerment will increase in the future if enrolment trends remain the same.

Apprehension was expressed about the amalgamation of remote, rural and urban areas in order to meet quota, due to the differing issues affecting electors within such areas. It will continue to be a challenge to balance community of interest and meet quota requirements in divisions outside of the Darwin region if enrolment in the Top End continues to grow faster, relative to the other regions.

Concerns were expressed over the capacity to represent large, dispersed and remote electorates due to the tyrannies of distance, with these electorates mostly growing in size. Seven electorates are more than 80 000 km² in size. Of those, five have a geographical area of 100 000 km² or more: Arafura; Arnhem; Barkly; Namatjira and Stuart.

Large Divisions 2008, 2011 and 2015 redistributions

Division	Size in km ²		
	2008 Redistribution	2011 Redistribution [#]	2015 Redistribution
Arafura	156 087		>128 000
Arnhem	99 269		>130 000
Barkly	448 576		>450 000
Daly	86 818	81 818	>84 000
Namatjira*	351 294		>305 000
Nhulunbuy	83 358		>97 000
Stuart	383 859		>400 000

* Macdonnell in 2008

The 2011 Augmented Redistribution Committee retained existing boundaries in rural/remote areas except for minor changes between Daly and Stuart

The principle of ‘one vote, one value’ in determining boundary configurations is a key element in the redistribution criteria and the structuring of an electoral system that places emphasis on parity with quota. Two of the objections suggested the application of a weighted quota for remote electorates. In both Queensland and Western Australia, districts that have a large geographical area, e.g. 100 000 km² or more, are subject to a ‘large district allowance’, calculated by multiplying the number of square kilometres in the district by a factor of 2% (Queensland) or 1.5% (WA). These notional electors are added to the number of electors actually enrolled to arrive at a total enrolment figure for that district, with the total being required to fall within the margin of tolerance prescribed by the legislation.

The mechanism for determining the quota of electors for each NT division – the quotient resulting from dividing the number of enrolled electors for the Territory by the number of MLAs to be elected – is a provision of the Self-Government Act. There is no provision in the NT legislation to apply a weighted quota.

4.3 Determining the Date for Setting the Quota

As in previous redistributions, roll data and calculations on variance from the quota were extracted on two occasions – firstly for the proposed redistribution and again for the final redistribution. At the 2015 redistribution however, software was used for the first time to model boundary options and expedite assessments of various elector scenarios. Input of roll data to the software from the second quota date (16 July 2015) required fresh checks of data and the geographical representations to be reset to accommodate changes in elector numbers.

The NT legislation is silent on setting a date for the quota (the average division enrolment), other than to ensure close compliance at the date of the next election.

5 2015 NAMES OF DIVISIONS

5.1 Naming Requirements and Conventions

[*Electoral Act* sections 139(e) (f), 143(2), 147(2)(b)]

The Augmented Redistribution Committee must state the names and boundaries of divisions in the Gazette notice declaring that the redistribution of the Territory has been decided.

Section 139 of the Act stipulates that the name of a division should not be changed unless the existing name is no longer appropriate and that, if a new name for a division is proposed, a locality name should be avoided. No other specific guidelines on the naming of divisions are provided in the legislation.

Some principles on naming divisions that are commonly applied in electoral jurisdictions include:

- The retention of divisional names for an area unless strong reasons exist to change or transfer the name.
- The avoidance of locality or place names and the names of existing Commonwealth divisions.
- The naming of divisions after deceased persons who have rendered outstanding service to the community.
- The use and retention of Aboriginal names where appropriate.

5.2 Divisional Names

The Redistribution Committees only considered the names of people who were deceased, in line with established naming conventions. Suggestions and comments on division names were received from the public and parties.

In its report, the Redistribution Committee proposed to merge and rename the divisions of Araluen and Stuart, and rename Nhulunbuy and Wanguri. The name Spillett was proposed for the new division.

Araluen/Stuart

Fourteen of the objections (including petitions) opposed the proposed boundary and name changes to Araluen and Stuart. The Augmented Redistribution Committee did not proceed with the proposed merged division of Battarbee and retained both divisions with altered boundaries.

The 2015 Augmented Redistribution Committee reviewed the divisional name of Araluen and determined that, as the suburb of Araluen is now within the division's boundary, the name would be retained. The divisional name of Stuart was also retained.

Nhulunbuy

The Redistribution Committee proposed to change the name of the division to Milirrpum due to the proposed inclusion of Bickerton Island and Groote Eylandt within its boundaries.

Instead, the Augmented Redistribution Committee determined to include Milingimbi and Ramingining within the division and retain the divisional name of Nhulunbuy.

Spillett

The Augmented Redistribution Committee confirmed the name 'Spillett' for the new division, as proposed by the Redistribution Committee.

Wanguri

The Redistribution Committee proposed to move part of the suburb of Wanguri out of the division. As a consequence, it proposed to change the division name to Somerville.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee determined not to split Wanguri suburb and therefore retained the existing division name.

5.3 Future Naming of Divisions

Section 139 of the Act requires no changes to names unless the existing one is no longer appropriate. As the Augmented Redistribution Committee retained Wanguri suburb in the division of Wanguri, did not proceed with placing Groote Eylandt in the Nhulunbuy electorate or confirm the proposed merged division in Central Australia, it decided that further name changes were not warranted on this occasion.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee noted the submissions in support of the name Haritos and recommend this name be included in the list for future redistributions.

The 2015 Augmented Redistribution Committee, like its predecessor in 2011, also noted the confusion in urban areas caused by naming divisions after a suburb, e.g. Braitling, Fannie Bay and Wanguri, especially when there are other suburbs in the same division. The problem is compounded when boundary changes result in the suburb, or part of the suburb, no longer being included in the division with the same name.

A similar situation exists in regional areas, e.g. Barkly division and regional council, Arnhem division with two regional councils of the same name (in this case prefaced East and West). Another consideration is that if these remote electorates become larger to maintain their enrolment against the quota, they may include areas not traditionally associated with their name.

The Electoral Act requires the Redistribution Committee to propose division names, within prescribed parameters. The member for Araluen advocated that the naming of new electorates should go through the government 'Place Names Committee', in consultation with local people. Whilst this suggestion has merit, such a process could compromise the confidentiality of the redistribution and extend the timetable. It is not possible to consult about proposed name changes until the release of proposed boundaries, to forestall unwarranted speculation and concern to stakeholders about the status of a division.

The Augmented Redistribution Committee agrees that consultation is required to achieve public consensus. It is clear that changing the names of established divisions can be sensitive and while the 2015 Committees did endeavor to canvass opinion in relation to potential names for divisions, feedback was limited.

Appendix E provides details of the names of now superseded LA divisions.

6 PUBLICATION OF BOUNDARIES

6.1 Publication

(Electoral Act section 147)

The redistribution of boundaries was declared by notice in the Gazette on 16 September 2015. The report was provided to the Minister (section 148 of the Act).

Upon tabling, the report and maps were made available for public inspection without fee (section 149 of the Act) on the NTEC website at www.ntec.nt.gov.au and at NTEC offices in Darwin and Alice Springs.

6.2 Acknowledgements

The Augmented Redistribution Committee and the Redistribution Committee acknowledge the assistance of staff in the Northern Territory Electoral Commission and the Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment in undertaking their work. The Committees are also grateful for the time and effort put in by members of the public and other organisations who made written and oral submissions to assist the 2015 redistribution process.

6.3 Dissolution of the Augmented Redistribution Committee

(Electoral Act section 340)

The Augmented Redistribution Committee is now dissolved.

Overview of the 2015 Redistribution Process under the NT Electoral Act (EA)

Stages in the Redistribution Process	EA Section/s	2015 Dates
<p>Public suggestions The Redistribution Committee places notices in the <i>Gazette</i> and Territory newspapers inviting public suggestions</p>	s141	25 February 2015
<p>↑ 30 days ↓</p>		
<p>Closing date for suggestions Interested persons or organisations wishing to make suggestions regarding the redistribution forward written suggestions to the Committee</p>	s141	27 March 2015
<i>As soon as practicable after the 30 days</i>		
<p>Comments on the suggestions The Redistribution Committee places notices in the <i>Gazette</i> and Territory newspapers a) advertising and making available for public inspection without fee copies of all suggestions b) inviting public comments on the suggestions</p>	s142	30 March 2015
<p>↑ 14 days ↓</p>		
<p>Closing date for comments on the public suggestions Interested persons or organisations to forward written comments on the suggestions to the Committee</p>	s142	13 April 2015
<i>As soon as practicable after the closing date</i>		
The Committee considers the public suggestions and comments and prepares a proposed redistribution of the Territory into divisions with proposed names	s143	
The Redistribution Committee places notices in the <i>Gazette</i> and Territory newspapers advising the availability of map(s) showing the proposed divisions and names and inviting objections	ss144, 145	16 June 2015
<p>↑ 30 days ↓</p>		
<p>Closing date for objections on the proposed divisions Interested persons or organisations wishing to make objections on the proposed divisions to forward objections in writing to the Augmented Redistribution Committee</p>	s145	16 July 2015
<p>Objections considered by the Augmented Redistribution Committee The Augmented Redistribution Committee considers all objections made under section 145 and may hold public hearings into objections</p>	s146	
<i>As soon as practicable after the closing date</i>		
<p>Decision The Augmented Committee makes a final redistribution of the Territory into divisions and declares the redistribution by <i>Gazette</i> notice</p>	s147	16 September 2015
<p>Report The Augmented Committee presents a report to the Minister as soon as practical, including the details of all public submissions and maps showing the names and boundaries of all divisions</p>	s148	
<p>↑ Within 5 sitting days ↓</p>	s148(3)	
The Minister tables the report in the Legislative Assembly		
<i>As soon as practicable after the report is tabled</i>		
The report and maps are made available for public inspection	s149	
The redistribution takes effect for the next general election	s150	

Enrolment and Variance on Quota (%) Changes 2011 – 2015

Division	2011 Redistribution Enrolment at 30 June		2012 LA Election Close of Rolls 8 August		Current Boundaries 16 July 2015	
	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota	Enrolment	% Variance on Quota
Arafura	5180	7.1	5477	10.6	5368	4.4
Araluen	4765	-1.5	4817	-2.7	4341	-15.5
Arnhem	4748	-1.9	4902	-1.0	4906	-4.6
Barkly	4856	0.4	5137	3.7	4923	-4.2
Blain	4635	-4.2	4980	0.6	6478	26.0
Braitling	4797	-0.8	4687	-5.4	4170	-18.9
Brennan	4759	-1.6	5061	2.2	6148	19.6
Casuarina	4928	1.9	5031	1.6	5388	4.8
Daly	4969	2.7	5329	7.6	5403	5.1
Drysdale	5205	7.6	5178	4.6	5833	13.5
Fannie Bay	4798	-0.8	4879	-1.5	5670	10.3
Fong Lim	4851	0.3	4883	-1.4	4843	-5.8
Goyder	4991	3.2	5323	7.5	5414	5.3
Greatorex	4722	-2.4	4606	-7.0	4131	-19.6
Johnston	5010	3.6	4879	-1.5	5320	3.5
Karama	4780	-1.2	4713	-4.8	5090	-1.0
Katherine	5029	4.0	5174	4.5	5004	-2.6
Namatjira	4842	0.1	5127	3.5	5260	2.3
Nelson	4699	-2.9	4715	-4.8	4507	-12.3
Nhulunbuy	4493	-7.1	4719	-4.7	4019	-21.8
Nightcliff	4842	0.1	4797	-3.1	5235	1.9
Port Darwin	4570	-5.5	4730	-4.5	5353	4.1
Sanderson	5193	7.3	5100	3.0	5435	5.7
Stuart	4571	-5.5	4706	-5.0	4538	-11.7
Wanguri	4717	-2.5	4855	-2.0	5717	11.2
Total	120950		123805		128494	
Quota/ Average	4838		4952		5140	

Tables showing Current and Final Division Enrolment and Variance on Quota

Table (a) Current Division Enrolment & Variance on Quota			Table (b) Final Divisions, Enrolment & Variance on Quota		
Current Division	Enrolment 16 July 2015	% Variance on Quota	2016 Division	Enrolment 16 July 2015	% Variance on Quota
Arafura	5368	4.4	Arafura	4698	-8.6
Araluen	4341	-15.5	Araluen	5459	6.2
Arnhem	4906	-4.6	Arnhem	4972	-3.3
Barkly	4923	-4.2	Barkly	4981	-3.1
Blain	6478	26.0	Blain	5163	0.5
Braitling	4170	-18.9	Braitling	5633	9.6
Brennan	6148	19.6	Brennan	5219	1.5
Casuarina	5388	4.8	Casuarina	5211	1.4
Daly	5403	5.1	Daly	5033	-2.1
Drysdale	5833	13.5	Drysdale	5345	4.0
Fannie Bay	5670	10.3	Fannie Bay	5437	5.8
Fong Lim	4843	-5.8	Fong Lim	5243	2.0
Goyder	5414	5.3	Goyder	5244	2.0
Greatorex	4131	-19.6	Johnston	5049	-1.8
Johnston	5320	3.5	Karama~	5090	-1.0
Karama	5090	-1.0	Katherine~	5004	-2.6
Katherine	5004	-2.6	Namatjira	5133	-0.1
Namatjira	5260	2.3	Nelson	5325	3.6
Nelson	4507	-12.3	Nhulunbuy	5469	6.4
Nhulunbuy	4019	-21.8	Nightcliff~	5235	1.9
Nightcliff	5235	1.9	Port Darwin	4789	-6.8
Port Darwin	5353	4.1	Sanderson~	5435	5.7
Sanderson	5435	5.7	Spillett*	4268	-17.0
Stuart	4538	-11.7	Stuart	5033	-2.1
Wanguri	5717	11.2	Wanguri	5026	-2.2
Total	128494		Total	128494	
Quota	5140		Quota	5140	

* 1 new division – Spillett

~ 4 unchanged divisions – Karama, Katherine, Nightcliff and Sanderson

Summary of Transfers Across Division Boundaries

The Augmented Redistribution Committee decided that no change be made to the boundaries of the following four divisions: Karama, Katherine, Nightcliff and Sanderson. As a consequence, there are no transfers of electors into or out of these divisions.

A total of 24 539 electors are moved between electorates.

Arafura

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			5368
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Arnhem	Arafura	7106104	0
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Arafura	Arnhem	7105701	45
		7105705	194
		7105706	81
		7105707	152
		7105712	60
		7105713	138
		7106503 (split SA1)	0
Total			670
Final Enrolment			4698

Araluen

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			4341
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Braitling	Araluen	7104804	305
		7104806	280
		7104809	194
Greatorex	Araluen	7104510	0
		7104602	179
		7104613	112
		7104614	116
		7104903	288
		7104904	281
		7104905	151
		7104910	283
Total			2189
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Araluen	Namatjira	7104701	2
		7104702	74
		7105101	252
		7105102	8
		7105103	226
		7105104	261
		7105106	0
		7105107	162
		7105108	63
7105109	23		
Total			1071
Final Enrolment			5459

Arnhem

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			4906
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Arafura	Arnhem	7105701	45
		7105705	194
		7105706	81
		7105707	152
		7105712	60
		7105713	138
		7106503 (split SA1)	0
Barkly	Arnhem	7106503 (split SA1)	5
Stuart	Arnhem	7106501	225
		7106502	340
		7106503 (split SA1)	42
		7106505	76
		7106506	158
		7106508 (split SA1)	0
Total			1516
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Arnhem	Arafura	7106104	0
Arnhem	Nhulunbuy	7106301	71
		7106304	0
		7106305	743
		7106309	636
Total			1450
Final Enrolment			4972

Barkly

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			4923
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Stuart	Barkly	7106508 (split SA1)	63
Total			63
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Barkly	Arnhem	7106503 (split SA1)	5
Barkly	Namatjira	7105212	0
Barkly	Stuart	7106801	0
Total			5
Final Enrolment			4981

Blain

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			6478
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Brennan	Blain	7104306 Split SA1	285
Total			285
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Blain	Drysdale	7104001	227
		7104002	200
		7104003	374
		7104004	285
		7104006	409
Blain	Spillett	7104201	105
Total			1600
Final Enrolment			5163

Braitling

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			4170
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Greatorex	Braitling	7104510	0
		7104601	171
		7104603	263
		7104604	150
		7104605	212
		7104606	224
		7104608	247
		7104609	265
		7104610	241
		7104611	218
		7104612	251
		7104615	96
		7104813	0
Total			2338
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Braitling	Araluen	7104804	305
		7104806	280
		7104809	194
Braitling	Namatjira	7104501	13
		7104514	83
Total			875
Final Enrolment			5633

Brennan

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			6148
<i>Transfers In - Nil</i>			
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Brennan	Blain	7104306 Split SA1	285
Brennan	Drysdale	7104110	0
Brennan	Spillett	7104201	644
Total			929
Final Enrolment			5219

Casuarina

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			5388
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Wanguri	Casuarina	7101307	46
		7102101	599
		7102104	46
Total			691
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Casuarina	Johnston	7101003	382
		7101004	243
		7101005	243
Total			868
Final Enrolment			5211

Daly

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			5403
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Stuart	Daly	7105803	185
		7105806	0
		7105807	10
		7105808	83
Total			278
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Daly	Goyder	7103401	5
		7103506	394
		7103507	46
		7105709 (split SA1)	203
Total			648
Final Enrolment			5033

Drysdale

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			5833
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Blain	Drysdale	7104001	227
		7104002	200
		7104003	374
		7104004	285
		7104006	409
Brennan	Drysdale	7104110	0
Total			1495
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Drysdale	Spillett	7103802	424
		7103803	408
		7103804	313
		7103805	325
		7103806	143
		7103808	110
		7103809	260
Total			1983
Final Enrolment			5345

Fannie Bay

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			5670
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Fong Lim	Fannie Bay	7100301	0
		7100601	285
		7100602	36
		7100604	0
		7100703	63
		7100705	270
Johnston	Fannie Bay	7101601	356
		7101603	486
		7101605	297
Total			1793
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Fannie Bay	Fong Lim	7100802	353
		7100803	303
		7100804	315
		7100805	541
		7100806	144
		7100807	348
		7100904	0
Fannie Bay	Port Darwin	7100204	22
Total			2026
Final Enrolment			5437

Fong Lim

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			4843
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Fannie Bay	Fong Lim	7100802	353
		7100803	303
		7100804	315
		7100805	541
		7100806	144
		7100807	348
	7100904	0	
Port Darwin	Fong Lim	7100801	586
Total			2590
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Fong Lim	Fannie Bay	7100301	0
		7100601	285
		7100602	36
		7100604	0
		7100703	63
		7100705	270
Fong Lim	Spillett	7100101	14
		7100607	428
		7100608	108
		7100906	143
		7101201	230
		7101202	0
		7101204	120
		7101501	5
		7101701	12
		7102208	11
		7103801	429
		7103807	35
7103808	0		
7104201	1		
Total			2190
Final Enrolment			5243

Goyder

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			5414
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Daly	Goyder	7103401	5
		7103506	394
		7103507	46
		7105709 (split SA1)	203
Total			648
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Goyder	Nelson	7103204	638
		7103208	180
		7103301	0
Total			818
Final Enrolment			5244

Greatorex

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			4131
<i>Transfers In - Nil</i>			
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Greatorex	Araluen	7104510	0
		7104602	179
		7104613	112
		7104614	116
		7104903	288
		7104904	281
		7104905	151
		7104910	283
Greatorex	Braitling	7104510	0
		7104601	171
		7104603	263
		7104604	150
		7104605	212
		7104606	224
		7104608	247
		7104609	265
		7104610	241
		7104611	218
		7104612	251
		7104615	96
		7104813	0
		Greatorex	Namaŋjira
7104607	19		
7104906	16		
7105105	216		
7105106	132		
Total			4131
Final Enrolment			0

Johnston

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			5320
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Casuarina	Johnston	7101003	382
		7101004	243
		7101005	243
Total			868
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Johnston	Fannie Bay	7101601	356
		7101603	486
		7101605	297
Total			1139
Final Enrolment			5049

Namatjira

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			5260
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Araluen	Namatjira	7104701	2
		7104702	74
		7105101	252
		7105102	8
		7105103	226
		7105104	261
		7105106	0
		7105107	162
		7105108	63
		7105109	23
Barkly	Namatjira	7105212	0
Braitling	Namatjira	7104501	13
		7104514	83
Greatorex	Namatjira	7104501	0
		7104607	19
		7104906	16
		7105105	216
		7105106	132
Total			1550
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Namatjira	Stuart	7105303	252
		7105304	8
		7105305	322
		7105306	130
		7105307	53
		7105308	139
		7105309	3
		7105310	0
		7105311	0
		7105312	186
		7105313	419
		7105314	165
		Total	
Final Enrolment			5133

Nelson

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			4507
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Goyder	Nelson	7103204	638
		7103208	180
		7103301	0
Total			818
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Nelson	Spillett	7104201	0
Total			0
Final Enrolment			5325

Nhulunbuy

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			4019
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Arnhem	Nhulunbuy	7106301	71
		7106304	0
		7106305	743
		7106309	636
Total			1450
<i>Transfers Out - Nil</i>			
Final Enrolment			5469

Port Darwin

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			5353
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Fannie Bay	Port Darwin	7100204	22
Total			22
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Port Darwin	Fong Lim	7100801	586
Total			586
Final Enrolment			4789

Spillett

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			0
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Blain	Spillett	7104201	105
Brennan	Spillett	7104201	644
Drysdale	Spillett	7103802	424
		7103803	408
		7103804	313
		7103805	325
		7103806	143
		7103808	110
		7103809	260
Fong Lim	Spillett	7100101	14
		7100607	428
		7100608	108
		7100906	143
		7101201	230
		7101202	0
		7101204	120
		7101501	5
		7101701	12
		7102208	11
		7103801	429
		7103807	35
		7103808	0
7104201	1		
Nelson	Spillett	7104201	0
Total			4268
<i>Transfers Out - Nil</i>			
Final Enrolment			4268

Stuart

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			4538
<i>Transfers In</i>			
Barkly	Stuart	7106801	0
Namatjira	Stuart	7105303	252
		7105304	8
		7105305	322
		7105306	130
		7105307	53
		7105308	139
		7105309	3
		7105310	0
		7105311	0
		7105312	186
		7105313	419
		7105314	165
Total			1677
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Stuart	Arnhem	7106501	225
		7106502	340
		7106503 (split SA1)	42
		7106505	76
		7106506	158
		7106508 (split SA1)	0
Stuart	Barkly	7106508 (split SA1)	63
Stuart	Daly	7105803	185
		7105806	0
		7105807	10
		7105808	83
Total			1182
Final Enrolment			5033

Wanguri

From	To	SA1	Electors
Starting Enrolment			5717
<i>Transfers In - Nil</i>			
<i>Transfers Out</i>			
Wanguri	Casuarina	7101307	46
		7102101	599
		7102104	46
Total			691
Final Enrolment			5026

Legislative Assembly Division Names now Superseded (1980 to 2008 Elections)

Division Name	Election Years That Name Applied*								
	1980	1983	1987	1990	1994	1997	2001	2005	2008
Alice Springs									
Berrimah									
Esey									
Flynn									
Gillen									
Jingili									
Koolpinyah									
Leanyer									
Ludmilla									
Macdonnell									
Millner									
Palmerston									
Sadadeen									
Stuart Park									
Tiwi									
Victoria River									
Wagaman									

* The name Greatorex, one of the 25 divisions at the 2012 Legislative Assembly election, is retained until 27 August 2016, the date of the next scheduled LA election

