Electoral Commission

## iVote system performance issue

Assessment of potential impacts to the 2021 local government elections

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## Executive Summary

## Objective of assessment

- A number of electors' online applications to vote by technology assisted voting (iVote) at the 2021 local government elections (LGE) were approved but they were unable to access the voting component of the iVote system on election day 4 December 2021 to cast their votes. This was because these electors were not issued with the necessary security credential before the close of voting on election day, which is a prerequisite to accessing the voting component of the system.
- Prior to his approval of the declaration of the result of a specific mayor or councillor election (contest) in accordance with the Local Government Act 1993, the Electoral Commissioner has considered whether the iVote system performance issue could have had a material impact on the result of each contest. One of the inputs into that consideration was an assessment of the extent to which the results could have been different if every elector who did not receive their credentials in time cast a formal vote.
- The methodology used in this statistical assessment has been to:
a. Identify contests where it was not possible for a result to change - because there were too few electors unable to use the iVote issue to make any difference
b. Identify contests where it was possible for a result to change, given the difference in votes at key points in the count and the potential number of additional ballot papers of the electors unable to use iVote (additional iVote ballot papers).
c. Estimate the likelihood of the result to change by running simulations of counts in which additional random samples of ballots are included to simulate the additional iVote ballot papers.


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## Overview of counting system in NSW

It is important to note that during a councillor election count, ballot papers (in paper or electronic form) take on a different (lesser) value as the count progresses and candidates are progressively elected or excluded. This is why it is necessary for any analysis of the likelihood of change from additional ballot papers being included in a count to simulate that count process, and not compare only the number of additional ballots with the smallest difference in votes that was observed in the official count.

## Optional Preferential system - mayoral elections

The optional preferential system is described in Schedule 4 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021. This sets out the method of vote counting for elections where one candidate is to be elected, including the election of a mayor
The optional preferential voting system requires a candidate to receive more than 50 per cent of the non-informal, non-exhausted ballot papers. This is called the absolute majority of votes.
If a candidate is not elected after the count of first preferences, the candidate with the lowest number of votes is excluded - each ballot paper is distributed to the candidates remaining in the number of votes is excluded - each ballot paper is distributed to the candidates remaining in the
count according to the next highest preference. If there is none, the ballot paper is set aside as exhausted.

After the distribution of ballot papers, if a candidate has an absolute majority, that candidate is declared elected. If there is still no candidate with an absolute majority, the next continuing candidate with the lowest number of ballot papers has their unexhausted ballot papers distributed as before. This process repeats until a candidate is elected with an absolute majority.

## Proportional representation system -councillor elections

The proportional representation system is described in Schedule 5 of the Local Government (General) Regulation 2021. This sets out the Weighted Inclusive Gregory Method (WIGM) of vote counting for councillor elections in NSW
In a proportional voting system, a candidate is elected if they receive votes equal to or exceeding the quota. The quota is determined by first dividing the aggregate number of first preferences by one more than the number of candidates to be elected. The quotient (disregarding the fraction) is increased by 1 to give the quota. After the count of first preferences is complete, each candidate who has reached quota is elected.
Where an elected candidate has a surplus of ballot papers over the quota, this surplus is transferred to the continuing candidates (i.e. those not yet elected or excluded). If multiple candidates are elected, each candidate's surplus is transferred (one at a time) to the continuing candidates, from the highest surplus to the lowest.

To transfer a surplus, all the ballot papers received by the elected candidate are sorted to their next preferred continuing candidate. Each ballot paper is then worth a portion of that surplus. This portion is called the transfer value. Example: if an elected candidate had 100 ballot papers and their surplus was 10 votes, then each ballot paper would be worth 0.1 of a vote. A continuing candidate receiving 20 of these ballot papers would therefore receive 2 of the 10 surplus votes. After each transfer of ballot papers (and their associated votes), if any more candidates have reached quota, they are elected and added to the queue of surpluses to be transferred. This transfer of surpluses continues (one at a time) until all have been transferred. Then, if vacancies remain, the candidate with the lowest number of votes is excluded. All the ballot papers received by this candidate, including those received from surplus transfers, are sorted to the continuing candidates according to their next available preference. This process continues with candidates being:

- elected when their votes equal or exceed quota, with their surplus distributed as above or
- excluded, with their ballot papers distributed as above until either:
- no vacancies remain to be filled or
- the number of remaining candidates equals the number of remaining vacancies or
- all remaining vacancies can be filled by candidates whose total votes cannot be overtaken by the remaining candidates in the count.
In these circumstances, the elected candidates are elected despite not reaching the quota.


## Impact Assessment Approach Overview

The impact of the potential additional iVote ballot papers was assessed in two ways: (1) identify contests for which there was no possibility of a different result and (2) calculate the likelihood of a different result for all contests using a simulated count.

## Stage 1: Identification of contests: no possibility of different result

The first stage of analysis assessed whether or not there are indicators that the potential additional iVote ballot papers may be able to change each mayoral and councillor contest. For a given contest, the methodology was as follows:

1. Perform the count of ballot papers for the mayor (if applicable) and each councillor contest. This was conducted by the official NSWEC count system using the applicable preferences rules.
2. Identify the decision points for each contest, including:

- Election of candidate(s)
- Exclusion of candidates
- Surplus transfers
- Measurement against absolute majority/quota

3. Examine the closest difference of votes involved in each decision point (e.g. difference between lowest two candidates in an exclusion, or the additional votes required to lift the absolute majority/quota above a candidate's vote total).
4. If the number of potential additional iVote ballot papers exceeds the decision point difference at any point in the count, then the contest is identified for further (if it is a mayoral contest, any councillor contests in which a relevant mayoral candidate is standing is also analysed further)

- effects of changes in the transfer value of votes arising from changes in the quota are not being tested at this stage but may affect the overall outcome.


## Outputs:

- A list of all mayor and councillor contests requiring further analysis
- The difference in votes for each decision point in each contest, alongside the number of potential additional iVotes for that contest.

Stage 2: Calculation of impact likelihood for all context using simulated counts

The second stage of analysis estimated the likelihood of a change in the result for each mayoral and councillor contest. For a given area/ward, the methodology was as follows.

1. Perform the count of ballot papers for the mayor (if applicable) and each councillor contest. This was conducted by a count simulation engine which applies the same preference rules as the official count system.
2. Identify the 'provisionally-elected' mayor and councillors for each contest.
3. Produce two random samples of ballot papers representing the potential additional iVote ballot papers for each contest. The random samples were sampled from (1) the voting patterns present in the known iVote ballot papers for the contest and (2) all of the ballot papers for the contest
4. Simulate the election counts to observe the outcome with randomly sampled additional ballot papers added to the actual ballot papers. (Note an elected mayor cannot be elected to a councillor position and in simulations where the mayor result changes this will impact on the councillor contest in which they were standing, ie the elected mayor is deemed ineligible in the simulation of the count for the relevant councillor contest.)
5. Repeat Steps 3 and 4 a large number of times to obtain a statistically significant set of results.
6. Determine the frequencies for (1) each distinct result for each contest and (2) each candidate being elected (including the provisionally-elected candidates)
7. Estimate the likelihood of impact for each contest as the sum of frequencies for any result other than the provisional result. Calculate confidence intervals for each of these likelihoods.

## Outputs:

- Provisionally-elected mayors and councillors for each contest
- An estimate of the likelihood of a change in result for each contest
- A confidence interval on the likelihood of a change to the result of each contest


## Identification of mayoral contests requiring further analysis

The Stage 1 assessment process identified mayoral contests where the number of electors who did not receive their credentials was greater than the minimum difference of votes at various decision points during the count

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1. Complete the official count of known ballot papers
Use the NSWEC count system to determine the following quantities at the end of each
counting round:
    - The total number of votes in the count (to enable absolute majority calculation)
    - The progressive total votes for each candidate
    - The candidate selected for exclusion or election
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2. Decision-Point Analysis
For each counting round until a candidate is elected:

- If a candidate was elected, determine the votes required to lift the absolute
majority above the winning candidate's vote count.
- If a candidate was excluded, determine the difference for exclusion.

Further Analysis Required

- In this case it is possible that the outcome of the election may have been impacted by the additional iVote ballot papers
- The assessment of the likelihood of the contest result changing required simulation analysis (see Stage 2)

The minimum value of these difference across all rounds is deemed the overall minimum difference ( $\mathbf{M}$ ) for the purposes of sensitivity analysis.



## Identification of mayoral contests requiring further analysis

The following example shows how a mayoral contest result is assessed at Stage 1. In this illustration, the result could have been changed by a single additional vote in the first round. Note that in this example all of the ballot papers for the excluded candidates E and D were not exhausted and candidate A was next in the order of the voter's preferences on each of those ballot papers.

Illustrative Example


- The lowest number of votes that might potentially change the result is one vote, the margin by which candidate $E$ was excluded at the first round of counting
- If candidate $E$ had one additional vote, they would have tied with candidates $A$ and $D$ at the first round of counting and potentially not have been excluded. A method of random selection to determine the excluded candidate would have been used, i.e. a 'tiebreaker' used where two or more candidates have the fewest number of votes and one has to be excluded. Candidate A may have been excluded by that process and could not have won the election.
- If the potential number of iVote ballot papers was equal to or greater than one, the impact of the issue on the election result would require further assessment.


## Identification of councillor contests requiring further analysis

The Stage 1 assessment process identified councillor contests that could possibly have had a different result had all users applying to use iVote been able to cast a vote.


## Identification of councillor contests requiring further analysis

The following example shows how a councillor contest result is assessed at Stage 1. In this illustration, the result could have changed with six additional votes at the ninth round of counting. Illustrative Example

Based on Bogan 2016 if counted with WIGM

 additional votes, they would have tied with candidate $D$ and may not have been excluded at this stage.

- If the potential number of iVote ballot papers was equal to or greater than six, the impact of the issue on the election result would require further assessment


## Monte-Carlo Simulation Analysis

A simulation of the election counting process will be used to conduct a Monte Carlo (MC) analysis and estimate the likelihood and confidence interval of changes to the contest results

## 1. Provisional Count

- Perform the count of ballot papers for the mayor (if applicable) and each councillor contest. This will be conducted by an election simulation engine which applies the relevant preferences rules.
- Identify the provisionally-elected mayor and councillors for each contest.

2. Monte-Carlo (MC) Simulation

- Produce a random sample of ballot papers representing the potential additional iVote ballot papers for each contest. The preferences in this random sample will be sampled from the voting patterns present in the known iVote ballot papers for this contest. ${ }^{1}$
- Re-run the election counts (mayoral and all councillor) to observe the outcome with the random iVote samples added to the actual ballot papers. Note that elected mayor cannot stand for councillor positions, and in scenarios where the mayor result changes this will have downstream impacts on the councillor contest in which they were standing. Specifically, the elected mayor in this scenario will be deemed ineligible in the simulation of the count for the relevant councillor contest.


## 3. Likelihood Calculation

- For each candidate and each contest, the likelihood of their election is estimated by this frequency and an (estimated) confidence interval.
- Calculate the likelihood of any impact to each contest as the sum of the election likelihood for all candidates who were not provisionally-elected in Step 1.
- Estimate the confidence interval for this likelihood- an estimate of the probability of an alternative outcome, which for $95 \%$ of simulations will lie with the range given by the confidence interval
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[^1]Illustrative Example


Potential additional iVote ballot papers are generated by sampling with replacement from the known iVote ballot papers
\(\left.\begin{array}{lll}Elections \& Ward 1 <br>
Frequency of election <br>

by candidate, contest\end{array}\right) \quad\)| Result frequency |
| :--- |
|  |
| Major |

## Calculation of Impact Likelihood

The Monte Carlo (MC) simulation analysis enables the estimation of the probability of alternative outcomes, as well as a confidence interval of the probability of alternative outcomes

Probability of alternative outcome

In a contest where the number of potential additional votes is $n$ and the number of iterations simulated is $N$ :

- In each iteration of the simulation, a set of $n$ preference patterns are generated to represent the potential additional votes
- These are randomly sampled (with replacement) from the set of iVote preference patterns from the same contest.
- Each iteration has the same probability, $P(S)$, of generating a particular set of preferences, $S$
- The set of preference patterns generated for each iteration is independent from all other iterations, and each set of preference patterns will lead to either the baseline or an alternative outcome.
- In each iteration, the probability $p$ of reaching an alternative outcome is the probability of generating any set of preferences which leads to an alternative outcome:

$$
p=\text { Sum of } P(S) \text { for all } S \text { leading to an alternative outcome }
$$

Under these circumstances, the probability of an alternative outcome in each iteration is a binary (yes/no) random variable, and the collection of iterations are identically and independently distributed (iid). The number of iterations in which an alternative outcome occurs, $X$, is a random variable following the binomial distribution: ${ }^{1}$

$$
P(X) \sim B(N, p)
$$

Estimating the probability of an alternative outcome

Suppose that $N$ iterations of a contest are run and $x$ of these lead to an alternative outcome. Then the maximum likelihood estimator (MLE) for $p$ is the observed frequency of an alternative outcome.

$$
p=x / N
$$

A confidence interval at a confidence level of (1- $\alpha$ ) (e.g. 95\%) can be constructed using the Copper-Pearson approach from the equation:

$$
\beta(\alpha / 2 ; x, N-x+1)<p<\beta(1-\alpha / 2 ; x+1, n-x)
$$

In the above, $\beta(q ; v, w)$ is the $q^{\text {th }}$ quantile from a beta distribution with shape parameters $v$ and $w{ }^{2}$

## What does the MLE and the confidence interval tell us?

- The MLE value is the best possible estimate of the (unknown) probability of an alternative result, given the sample of $N$ iterations.
- The confidence interval provides a measure of how precise this estimate is, by providing an upper and lower limit on the estimate. The size of the range reflects the fact that the estimate is based on a finite sample of $N$ iterations.
- A confidence interval is set at a confidence level, commonly chosen as $95 \%$. This means that, if the run of 1000 iterations were itself repeated a large number of times, the confidence interval would 'cover' the true value of $p 95 \%$ of the time.

| Analysis Stage | Assumption |
| :---: | :---: |
| General | The test environment contains the same ballot papers as used in the final count. |
|  | The test environment PRC engine produces the same outputs at the main election environment. |
|  | The number of additional iVotes is equal to the number of iVote applications with no iVote number allocated |
|  | All additional iVotes are formal votes |
|  | Candidate names in individual contests are unique. |
| Identification of contests requiring further analysis | Results per output files are a true reflection of the results of what the actual election count would be on the same input voting data. |
|  | Minimum number of potential additional votes required to allow possibility of result change are overall minimum difference or one vote, whichever is greater, where overall minimum margin is calculated as described in the methodology slides. |
|  | Councillor elections effects resulting from changes in the transfer value of votes due to changes in the quota are not considered in this analysis. |
| Calculation of impact likelihood | The preference patterns of the additional iVote ballots are distributed as per the preference patterns in the received iVote ballots for each contest. I.e. the preferences for the additional iVote ballots can be sampled from the known iVote ballots for statistical purposes. ${ }^{2}$ |
|  | The number of simulations run for each contest is limited to 1000 . This was chosen as a balance between the desire to achieve as precise a result as possible (i.e. minimising the confidence interval) and practical considerations on the computational power and time taken to complete the analysis. |
|  | The inherent level of precision of the maximum likelihood estimate of the probability of an outcome change is represented by the confidence interval estimate. This interval is constructed assuming that the probability of a change in result to the contest is independent and identically distributed (iid). |
|  | Where a random draw occurs in the count, a random number generator is used with a fixed seed. |
|  | The confidence interval is estimated using the Clopper-Pearson method ${ }^{1}$. |

[^2]Tests and peer reviews were conducted on both the high-level and the simulation engine to validate the results against each other and the official PRCC counting engine.

| Analysis Element | Validation Tests | Outcome |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| High-level analysis workflows | Parallel analysis of the intermediate outputs of the workflows to recalculate the margins and ensure these match the final result | Exact match |
|  | Comparison of intermediate outputs, detailing the status at the end of each counting round, are identical to the results generated by the simulation engines | Exact match |
|  | Peer review of entire codebase to identify inconsistencies, inefficiencies, and logical errors | No issues encountered |
| Optional Preferential System (OPS) simulation engine | Compare the outputs from the official PRCC engine for all contests to confirm the outcomes, number of counting rounds, decisions on elections and exclusions, and the progressive total candidate and exhausted votes are identical | Exact match |
| Proportional Representation System (PRS) simulation engine | Compare the outputs against the Bogan 2016 test scenario to confirm the algorithm follows identical steps and logic to the official PRCC engine, including: <br> - Contest outcome, number of rounds, and all decisions on elections, surplus distribution, and exclusion of candidates <br> - Individual round and progressive totals for candidate ballot papers and votes, exhausted ballot papers and votes, votes lost by fraction, and votes set aside <br> - All disregarded fractions, transfer values, continued transfer values <br> - Metrics for every ballot paper parcel transfer | Exact match (to within floating point precision) |
|  | Comparison to the outputs from the official PRCC engine for all contests, including the contest outcome and the progressive total votes as at the end of every counting round | Exact match, except in cases where a random draw event occurred and the two counting systems drew different random outcomes |
|  | Automated validation checks to ensure that all ballot papers and votes are accounted for whenever: <br> - A parcel of ballot papers is transferred in a surplus or exclusion distribution <br> - At the end of each counting round/ | No validation issues were encountered |
| OPS and PRS codebase | Peer review of entire codebase to identify inconsistencies, inefficiencies, and logical errors | No issues encountered |

Detailed results for contests where the simulation results using iVote preference data indicated a non-zero observed frequency of an alternate outcome are shown in the table below. See Appendix B: Detailed Results for the results for all contests.


The overall status of the high-level analysis for each contest is flagged as "yes" in this column if either its own count or the linked mayoral count require further analysis.

If this is a councillor contest with a linked mayoral contest, any change to the mayoral contest may impact its outcome This column indicates the high-level analysis outcome for the linked mayoral contest, if one exists.

If the high-level analysis revealed an exclusion point difference less than or equal to the number of potential additional iVote ballot papers, this column is flagged as "Yes"

The minimum difference in the count at points of exclusion as count at points of exclusion as note that "vote" used here does not mean a ball

The number of for this contest

The number of distinct contest outcomes, including the baseline result

## Appendix A: Sensitivity Analysis

## Sensitivity Analysis

In addition to the core stages of the approach, the following two analyses were conducted to inform the sensitivity of the results to the assumptions

1
Varying the number of additional votes

## Objective

Determine the relationship the number of additional iVotes and the frequency of alternative outcomes, including the threshold point at which the frequency drops to zero (if this occurs)

## Approach

For each of the 7 contests that were originally identified with instances of alternative outcomes (before cross-checking electors against attendance voting records):

- Repeat the analysis under 5 different scenarios for the number of additional iVotes
- Recalculate the frequency of alternative outcomes
- Recalculate the confidence intervals
- Plot the results on a line graph


## Objective

Determine the sensitivity of the results to the underlying set of ballot papers used to generate the preference patterns for the additional iVotes

## Approach

1. Repeat the simulation analysis, but rather than sample the preference patterns from the iVote ballots from that contest, sample the preference patterns for the entire set of ballots for that contest (including the iVote portion).
2. Recalculate the frequency of alternative outcomes
3. Recalculate the confidence intervals
4. Compare the results to the core set of analysis results to identify

- Cases where the observed frequency significantly decreases
- Cases where the observed frequency significantly increases (including contests which showed no alternative outcomes in the core analysis)


## Appendix B: Detailed Results

| Contest Summary |  |  |  |  |  | High Level Analysis Results |  |  |  | Simulation Results |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Contest name | Contest type | No. of electors | No. of formal ballot papers | No. of iVote ballot papers | Potential additional iVote ballot papers | Contest requires further analysis | Mayoral contest requires further analysis | Count requires further analysis | Min. vote difference during count | No. of simulations | No. of distinct election outcomes | No. of simulations with an alternative outcome | Observed <br> frequency of alternative outcome | Estimated alternative frequency lower limit | Estimated alternative frequency upper limit |
| Kempsey Councillor | CO | 22,812 | 16,204 | 1,790 | 34 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 2 | 610 | 61.0\% | 57.9\% | 64.0\% |
| Singleton Councillor | co | 17,137 | 12,745 | 2,467 | 55 | Yes | No | Yes | 3 | 1,000 | 2 | 432 | 43.2\% | 40.1\% | 46.3\% |
| Shellharbour A Councillor | co | 15,740 | 13,138 | 2,772 | 54 | Yes | No | Yes | 4 | 1,000 | 2 | 70 | 7.0\% | 5.5\% | 8.8\% |
| Hay Councillor | CO | 2,158 | 1,747 | 180 | 6 | Yes |  | Yes | 4 | 1,000 | 2 | 7 | 0.7\% | 0.3\% | 1.4\% |
| Kiama Councillor | CO | 18,083 | 15,016 | 2,006 | 57 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 2 | 3 | 0.3\% | 0.1\% | 0.9\% |
| Parramatta Rosehill Councillor | co | 29,921 | 22,283 | 5,648 | 119 | Yes |  | Yes | 5 | 1,000 | 2 | 1 | 0.1\% | 0.0\% | 0.6\% |
| Albury Councillor | co | 37,968 | 28,378 | 2,866 | 142 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Armidale Councillor | CO | 19,358 | 15,223 | 1,569 | 71 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Ballina A Councillor | co | 10,843 | 7,947 | 789 | 35 | Yes | No | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Bathurst Councillor | co | 31,017 | 24,704 | 2,943 | 137 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Bayside 1 Councillor | CO | 22,431 | 17,379 | 3,046 | 170 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Bayside 2 Councillor | co | 22,840 | 17,168 | 3,907 | 245 | Yes |  | Yes | 5 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Bayside 3 Councillor | CO | 19,837 | 15,212 | 2,887 | 145 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Bayside 4 Councillor | co | 20,809 | 16,519 | 2,999 | 167 | Yes |  | Yes | 15 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Bayside 5 Councillor | co | 19,481 | 14,990 | 2,578 | 130 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Bega Valley Councillor | co | 26,877 | 21,435 | 1,435 | 49 | Yes |  | Yes | 13 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Bellingen Councillor | co | 10,346 | 8,270 | 730 | 29 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Berrigan Councillor | co | 6,217 | 4,720 | 306 | 20 | Yes |  | Yes | 9 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Blacktown 1 Councillor | co | 54,553 | 44,012 | 11,752 | 611 | Yes |  | Yes | 4 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Blacktown 2 Councillor | co | 43,758 | 34,854 | 7,595 | 356 | Yes |  | Yes | 3 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |


| Contest Summary |  |  |  |  |  | High Level Analysis Results |  |  |  | Simulation Results |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Contest name | Contest type | No. of electors | No. of formal ballot papers | No. of iVote ballot papers | Potential additional iVote ballot papers | Contest requires further analysis | Mayoral contest requires further analysis | Count requires further analysis | Min. vote difference during count | No. of simulations | No. of distinct election outcomes | No. of simulations with an alternative outcome | Observed frequency of alternative outcome | Estimated alternative frequency lower limit | Estimated alternative frequency upper limit |
| Blacktown 4 Councillor | CO | 44,925 | 35,351 | 7,645 | 343 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Blacktown 5 Councillor | CO | 50,215 | 36,254 | 8,141 | 419 | Yes |  | Yes | 5 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Blue Mountains 1 Councillor | CO | 14,515 | 11,435 | 1,271 | 65 | Yes |  | Yes | 8 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Blue Mountains 2 Councillor | co | 14,749 | 12,493 | 1,513 | 73 | Yes |  | Yes | 4 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Blue Mountains 3 Councillor | co | 14,763 | 12,567 | 1,639 | 94 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Blue Mountains 4 Councillor | co | 14,344 | 12,338 | 1,540 | 79 | Yes |  | Yes | 21 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Bogan Councillor | CO | 1,929 | 1,467 | 187 | 13 | Yes |  | Yes | 3 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Broken Hill Councillor | CO | 13,412 | 10,395 | 978 | 38 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Burwood Councillor | CO | 21,155 | 17,250 | 3,285 | 149 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Byron Councillor | CO | 25,610 | 17,735 | 1,921 | 127 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Byron Mayor | MA | 25,610 | 18,165 | 1,921 | 127 | Yes |  | Yes | 65 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Cabonne Councillor | CO | 10,113 | 7,836 | 1,598 | 57 | Yes |  | Yes | 13 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Camden Central Councillor | CO | 25,419 | 20,735 | 4,732 | 269 | Yes |  | Yes | 30 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Camden North Councillor | co | 28,541 | 22,975 | 5,898 | 362 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Camden South Councillor | CO | 22,419 | 18,016 | 3,743 | 201 | Yes |  | Yes | 88 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Campbelltown Councillor | CO | 113,732 | 89,337 | 14,776 | 764 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Canada Bay Councillor | CO | 58,599 | 47,472 | 9,851 | 491 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Canterbury-Bankstown Bass Hill Councillor | CO | 44,589 | 33,153 | 7,087 | 363 | Yes |  | Yes | 227 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Canterbury-Bankstown Canterbury Councillor | CO | 46,726 | 37,276 | 8,041 | 369 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Canterbury-Bankstown Revesby Councillor | co | 47,204 | 38,446 | 7,034 | 391 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |


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| Carrathool A Councillor | CO | 909 | 694 | 74 | 4 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Cessnock A Councillor | co | 11,873 | 9,176 | 1,668 | 73 | Yes | No | Yes | 4 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Cessnock B Councillor | co | 10,214 | 7,893 | 1,345 | 69 | Yes | No | Yes | 6 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Cessnock C Councillor | co | 12,169 | 9,552 | 1,800 | 86 | Yes | No | Yes | 3 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Cessnock D Councillor | co | 11,304 | 8,997 | 1,829 | 89 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Clarence Valley Councillor | co | 38,776 | 30,661 | 3,883 | 143 | Yes |  | Yes | 15 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Coffs Harbour Councillor | CO | 56,943 | 43,587 | 5,249 | 251 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Coffs Harbour Mayor | MA | 56,943 | 45,155 | 5,249 | 251 | Yes |  | Yes | 35 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Coolamon Councillor | CO | 3,247 | 2,576 | 261 | 19 | Yes |  | Yes | 9 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Coonamble Councillor | co | 2,741 | 2,096 | 374 | 10 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Cowra Councillor | co | 9,732 | 7,764 | 588 | 32 | Yes |  | Yes | 13 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Cumberland Granville Councillor | co | 26,129 | 19,325 | 4,001 | 215 | Yes |  | Yes | 7 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Cumberland Regents Park Councillor | co | 24,851 | 19,749 | 4,460 | 184 | Yes |  | Yes | 27 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Cumberland Wentworthville Councillor | CO | 25,762 | 20,211 | 4,696 | 221 | Yes |  | Yes | 6 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Dubbo Dubbo North Councillor | co | 8,252 | 6,291 | 1,022 | 45 | Yes |  | Yes | 18 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Dubbo Dubbo South Councillor | co | 8,457 | 6,876 | 1,181 | 47 | Yes |  | Yes | 29 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Eurobodalla Councillor | co | 32,183 | 24,875 | 2,686 | 114 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Federation Councillor | co | 9,961 | 7,402 | 594 | 22 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Forbes Councillor | CO | 6,997 | 5,628 | 737 | 37 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Georges River Blakehurst Councillor | CO | 19,390 | 16,142 | 3,122 | 122 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |


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| Georges River Hurstville Councillor | CO | 18,482 | 14,773 | 3,215 | 133 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Georges River Kogarah Bay Councillor | CO | 20,060 | 15,797 | 3,232 | 159 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Georges River Mortdale Councillor | CO | 17,784 | 14,452 | 2,877 | 124 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Georges River Peakhurst Councillor | co | 19,604 | 16,286 | 3,007 | 161 | Yes |  | Yes | 18 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Glen Innes Severn Councillor | CO | 6,317 | 5,496 | 334 | 8 | Yes |  | Yes | 3 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Goulburn Mulwaree Councillor | CO | 21,656 | 17,394 | 2,674 | 93 | Yes |  | Yes | 12 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Griffith Councillor | CO | 16,876 | 12,556 | 1,659 | 73 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Griffith Mayor | MA | 16,876 | 14,179 | 1,659 | 73 | Yes |  | Yes | 72 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Gunnedah Councillor | CO | 9,088 | 7,164 | 925 | 50 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Hawkesbury Councillor | CO | 48,584 | 39,488 | 6,522 | 300 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Hilltops Councillor | CO | 14,374 | 11,021 | 1,298 | 45 | Yes |  | Yes | 21 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Hornsby A Councillor | CO | 33,902 | 28,734 | 4,633 | 200 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Hornsby B Councillor | co | 33,943 | 28,273 | 5,810 | 241 | Yes | No | Yes | 14 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Hunters Hill North Councillor | CO | 5,119 | 4,172 | 767 | 37 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Hunters Hill South Councillor | CO | 4,862 | 4,062 | 596 | 34 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Inner West Ashfield - Djarrawunang (Magpie) Councillor | CO | 26,718 | 21,310 | 3,681 | 220 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Inner West Balmain - Baludarri (Leather Jacket) Councillor | CO | 27,025 | 21,240 | 3,015 | 196 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Inner West Leichhardt - Gulgadya (Grass Tree) Councillor | co | 26,251 | 20,783 | 3,304 | 199 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Inner West Marrickville - Midjuburi (Lillypilly) Councillor | CO | 26,385 | 20,347 | 3,666 | 242 | Yes |  | Yes | 26 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Inner West Stanmore - Damun (Port Jackson Fig) Councillor | CO | 26,868 | 20,355 | 4,013 | 266 | Yes |  | Yes | 3 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |


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| Junee Councillor | CO | 4,012 | 3,262 | 405 | 13 | Yes |  | Yes | 4 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Ku-ring-gai Comenarra Councillor | co | 16,746 | 13,804 | 2,379 | 120 | Yes |  | Yes | 8 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Ku-ring-gai Gordon Councillor | co | 17,062 | 13,720 | 2,731 | 117 | Yes |  | Yes | 62 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Ku-ring-gai Roseville Councillor | co | 16,592 | 13,785 | 2,630 | 128 | Yes |  | Yes | 8 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Ku-ring-gai St Ives Councillor | CO | 16,630 | 13,940 | 2,436 | 83 | Yes |  | Yes | 6 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Ku-ring-gai Wahroonga Councillor | CO | 16,352 | 13,513 | 2,047 | 125 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Lake Macquarie East Councillor | co | 51,679 | 41,593 | 6,148 | 336 | Yes | No | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Lake Macquarie North Councillor | co | 52,187 | 42,316 | 7,887 | 429 | Yes | No | Yes | 3 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Lake Macquarie West Councillor | co | 57,812 | 44,643 | 6,514 | 364 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Lane Cove Central Councillor | CO | 8,541 | 7,259 | 1,069 | 58 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Lane Cove East Councillor | CO | 8,608 | 6,974 | 1,325 | 81 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Lane Cove West Councillor | co | 9,028 | 7,362 | 1,394 | 61 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Leeton Councillor | co | 7,736 | 6,105 | 602 | 32 | Yes |  | Yes | 5 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Lismore Councillor | co | 31,825 | 25,948 | 3,756 | 123 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Lithgow Councillor | co | 15,903 | 13,061 | 1,396 | 70 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Liverpool North Councillor | co | 69,702 | 51,345 | 10,948 | 518 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Liverpool South Councillor | co | 75,782 | 58,279 | 13,338 | 661 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Maitland Mayor | MA | 64,895 | 54,181 | 9,591 | 451 | Yes |  | Yes | 241 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Maitland Central Councillor | CO | 16,130 | 13,083 | 2,119 | 110 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Maitland East Councillor | CO | 15,253 | 12,397 | 2,299 | 96 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 3 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |


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| Maitland North Councillor | CO | 17,702 | 14,761 | 3,081 | 122 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Maitland West Councillor | co | 15,810 | 12,720 | 2,092 | 123 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 17 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Mid-Coast Councillor | co | 76,413 | 61,696 | 6,429 | 259 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Mid-Western Councillor | co | 18,699 | 15,023 | 1,560 | 74 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Moree Plains Councillor | CO | 8,298 | 5,789 | 1,121 | 41 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Mosman Councillor | CO | 20,731 | 16,197 | 2,470 | 131 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Muswellbrook Councillor | co | 11,684 | 8,756 | 1,686 | 69 | Yes |  | Yes | 17 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Nambucca Valley Councillor | CO | 16,029 | 12,043 | 1,215 | 35 | Yes | No | Yes | 11 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Narrabri Councillor | co | 9,284 | 7,042 | 1,013 | 53 | Yes |  | Yes | 4 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Narrandera Councillor | CO | 4,313 | 3,398 | 354 | 22 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Newcastle 1 Councillor | CO | 30,881 | 23,428 | 3,738 | 248 | Yes | No | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Newcastle 2 Councillor | co | 32,368 | 26,089 | 4,087 | 287 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Newcastle 3 Councillor | CO | 30,945 | 24,468 | 3,904 | 256 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Newcastle 4 Councillor | co | 30,461 | 24,317 | 4,149 | 220 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| North Sydney Cammeraygal Councillor | CO | 25,092 | 19,088 | 3,794 | 251 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| North Sydney St Leonards Councillor | CO | 23,757 | 18,541 | 3,903 | 257 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Northern Beaches Curl Curl Councillor | co | 38,054 | 29,742 | 5,335 | 305 | Yes |  | Yes | 4 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Northern Beaches Frenchs Forest Councillor | CO | 36,360 | 30,625 | 5,317 | 258 | Yes |  | Yes | 3 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Northern Beaches Manly Councillor | CO | 36,626 | 28,981 | 4,642 | 270 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Northern Beaches Narrabeen Councillor | CO | 36,947 | 30,124 | 4,945 | 256 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |


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| Northern Beaches Pittwater Councillor | CO | 36,852 | 29,642 | 4,032 | 204 | Yes |  | Yes | 13 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Oberon Councillor | co | 4,001 | 3,215 | 293 | 13 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Orange Councillor | CO | 30,258 | 23,740 | 4,084 | 172 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Orange Mayor | MA | 30,258 | 24,355 | 4,084 | 172 | Yes |  | Yes | 146 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Parkes Councillor | CO | 10,551 | 8,027 | 945 | 41 | Yes |  | Yes | 11 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Parramatta Dundas Councillor | co | 28,207 | 22,076 | 5,663 | 259 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Parramatta North Rocks Councillor | co | 26,954 | 22,525 | 5,121 | 213 | Yes |  | Yes | 5 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Parramatta Parramatta Councillor | co | 26,815 | 20,440 | 4,495 | 227 | Yes |  | Yes | 28 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Port Macquarie-Hastings Councillor | co | 66,817 | 52,517 | 6,314 | 266 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Port Stephens Central Councillor | CO | 20,311 | 16,289 | 3,147 | 118 | Yes | No | Yes | 11 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Port Stephens West Councillor | co | 19,268 | 15,425 | 2,705 | 105 | Yes | No | Yes | 18 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Queanbeyan-Palerang Councillor | CO | 43,799 | 33,813 | 3,521 | 143 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Randwick Central Councillor | co | 18,079 | 13,840 | 2,496 | 135 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Randwick South Councillor | co | 18,430 | 14,468 | 2,031 | 134 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Randwick West Councillor | co | 17,811 | 13,609 | 2,384 | 140 | Yes |  | Yes | 5 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Richmond Valley Councillor | CO | 16,590 | 13,229 | 1,362 | 52 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Ryde Central Councillor | co | 26,869 | 21,826 | 4,737 | 211 | Yes |  | Yes | 3 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Ryde East Councillor | CO | 26,703 | 22,323 | 4,510 | 220 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Ryde West Councillor | co | 24,586 | 20,370 | 3,938 | 145 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Shellharbour B Councillor | CO | 13,461 | 10,527 | 1,938 | 86 | Yes | No | Yes | 22 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |


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| Shoalhaven Mayor | MA | 84,563 | 67,030 | 7,772 | 403 | Yes |  | Yes | 158 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Shoalhaven 1 Councillor | CO | 28,338 | 21,724 | 2,627 | 145 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Shoalhaven 2 Councillor | CO | 28,448 | 21,863 | 2,771 | 131 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Snowy Monaro Councillor | CO | 14,630 | 11,746 | 798 | 45 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Snowy Valleys Councillor | CO | 10,121 | 8,310 | 616 | 13 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Strathfield Councillor | CO | 24,428 | 19,500 | 4,374 | 197 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Sutherland A Councillor | co | 34,272 | 28,011 | 4,452 | 311 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Sutherland B Councillor | CO | 34,189 | 28,585 | 4,993 | 280 | Yes |  | Yes | 61 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Sutherland C Councillor | CO | 34,069 | 27,880 | 4,940 | 283 | Yes |  | Yes | 42 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Sutherland D Councillor | co | 33,289 | 28,543 | 4,656 | 201 | Yes |  | Yes | 4 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Sutherland E Councillor | CO | 32,653 | 28,313 | 4,375 | 235 | Yes |  | Yes | 203 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Sydney Councillor | CO | 176,088 | 117,362 | 39,528 | 2,003 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Sydney Lord Mayor | MA | 176,088 | 118,511 | 39,528 | 2,003 | Yes |  | Yes | 1,635 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Tamworth Councillor | CO | 44,740 | 35,318 | 4,183 | 194 | Yes |  | Yes | 20 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Temora Councillor | CO | 4,624 | 4,046 | 355 | 13 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| The Hills Central Councillor | CO | 31,148 | 26,375 | 6,847 | 312 | Yes | No | Yes | 17 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| The Hills North Councillor | CO | 32,697 | 27,025 | 7,041 | 360 | Yes | No | Yes | 103 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Tweed Councillor | CO | 66,934 | 50,020 | 3,984 | 166 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Upper Hunter Councillor | CO | 10,312 | 8,300 | 1,214 | 47 | Yes |  | Yes | 20 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Wagga Wagga Councillor | CO | 46,543 | 35,885 | 3,975 | 229 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |


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| Walgett Councillor | CO | 3,658 | 2,507 | 421 | 23 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Warrumbungle Councillor | co | 6,917 | 5,530 | 1,125 | 30 | Yes |  | Yes | 3 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Waverley Bondi Councillor | co | 11,627 | 7,152 | 1,266 | 117 | Yes |  | Yes | 64 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Waverley Waverley Councillor | co | 11,292 | 8,052 | 1,213 | 74 | Yes |  | Yes | 20 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Weddin Councillor | co | 2,817 | 2,380 | 328 | 23 | Yes |  | Yes | 10 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Wentworth Councillor | co | 4,365 | 3,318 | 327 | 12 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Willoughby Middle Harbour Councillor | CO | 11,702 | 9,385 | 1,634 | 81 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Willoughby Naremburn Councillor | CO | 11,108 | 8,633 | 1,739 | 43 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Willoughby Sailors Bay Councillor | co | 11,843 | 9,502 | 1,569 | 86 | Yes | No | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Willoughby West Councillor | CO | 12,076 | 9,425 | 1,979 | 88 | Yes | No | Yes | 12 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Wollondilly Mayor | MA | 37,015 | 31,355 | 5,060 | 211 | Yes |  | Yes | 18 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Wollondilly East Councillor | CO | 18,618 | 15,133 | 2,381 | 95 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Wollondilly North Councillor | CO | 18,397 | 14,655 | 2,679 | 116 | Yes | Yes | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Wollongong 1 Councillor | CO | 52,849 | 42,730 | 6,389 | 345 | Yes | No | Yes | 3 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Wollongong 2 Councillor | CO | 51,853 | 41,073 | 7,743 | 438 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Wollongong 3 Councillor | co | 50,820 | 40,706 | 6,601 | 304 | Yes | No | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Woollahra Cooper Councillor | co | 7,927 | 5,892 | 1,047 | 69 | Yes |  | Yes | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Yass Valley Councillor | co | 12,588 | 9,452 | 1,782 | 70 | Yes |  | Yes | 2 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Shoalhaven 3 Councillor | CO | 27,777 | 22,029 | 2,374 | 127 | Yes | Yes | No | 861 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Ballina Mayor | MA | 33,097 | 26,913 | 3,166 | 140 | No |  | No | 618 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |


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| Ballina B Councillor | CO | 11,639 | 9,087 | 1,244 | 53 | No | No | No | 175 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Ballina C Councillor | CO | 10,615 | 8,237 | 1,133 | 52 | No | No | No | 354 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Bellingen Mayor | MA | 10,346 | 8,374 | 730 | 29 | No |  | No | 1,534 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Blacktown 3 Councillor | CO | 43,388 | 33,681 | 6,737 | 304 | No |  | No | 775 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Bland Councillor | CO | 4,154 | 3,211 | 499 | 25 | No |  | No | 109 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Blayney Councillor | CO | 5,471 | 4,560 | 393 | 23 | No |  | No | 120 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Brewarrina Councillor | CO | 893 | 550 | 55 | - | No |  | No | 19 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Broken Hill Mayor | MA | 13,412 | 10,812 | 978 | 38 | No |  | No | 924 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Burwood Mayor | MA | 21,155 | 17,797 | 3,285 | 149 | No |  | No | 3,119 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Canada Bay Mayor | MA | 58,599 | 48,542 | 9,851 | 491 | No |  | No | 1,500 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Canterbury-Bankstown Bankstown Councillor | CO | 45,230 | 34,062 | 7,416 | 337 | No |  | No | 4,434 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Canterbury-Bankstown Roselands Councillor | CO | 45,144 | 33,553 | 6,907 | 360 | No |  | No | 1,583 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Cessnock Mayor | MA | 45,560 | 36,497 | 6,642 | 317 | No |  | No | 2,910 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Cootamundra-Gundagai Councillor | CO | 8,629 | 6,922 | 666 | 19 | No |  | No | 98 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Cumberland Greystanes Councillor | CO | 26,009 | 20,779 | 3,935 | 208 | No |  | No | 3,393 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Cumberland South Granville Councillor | co | 24,889 | 17,397 | 3,328 | 196 | No |  | No | 5,815 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Dubbo Dubbo Central Councillor | co | 6,908 | 5,320 | 717 | 36 | No |  | No | 1,316 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Dubbo Dubbo East Councillor | CO | 6,858 | 5,231 | 789 | 28 | No |  | No | 30 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Dubbo Wellington Councillor | co | 6,885 | 5,524 | 600 | 24 | No |  | No | 26 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Dungog A Councillor | CO | 2,386 | 1,987 | 228 | 9 | No |  | No | 78 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |


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| Dungog B Councillor | CO | 2,547 | 2,107 | 419 | 16 | No |  | No | 155 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Dungog C Councillor | CO | 2,518 | 2,041 | 345 | 8 | No |  | No | 161 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Edward River Councillor | CO | 6,354 | 4,559 | 273 | 9 | No |  | No | 71 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Eurobodalla Mayor | MA | 32,183 | 25,526 | 2,686 | 114 | No |  | No | 158 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Gilgandra Councillor | CO | 3,174 | 2,492 | 270 | 11 | No |  | No | 20 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Greater Hume North Councillor | CO | 2,733 | 2,048 | 149 | 8 | No |  | No | 108 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Greater Hume West Councillor | co | 2,494 | 1,989 | 181 | 5 | No |  | No | 55 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Gwydir Councillor | CO | 3,788 | 2,940 | 461 | 17 | No |  | No | 100 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Hornsby Mayor | MA | 100,291 | 85,656 | 15,810 | 653 | No |  | No | 12,474 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Hornsby C Councillor | CO | 32,446 | 28,064 | 5,367 | 212 | No | No | No | 312 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Hunters Hill Mayor | MA | 9,981 | 8,356 | 1,363 | 71 | No |  | No | 218 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Inverell Councillor | CO | 12,942 | 9,887 | 1,128 | 26 | No |  | No | 103 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Kempsey Mayor | MA | 22,812 | 17,585 | 1,790 | 66 | No |  | No | 118 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Kyogle B Councillor | CO | 2,211 | 1,753 | 138 | 6 | No |  | No | 41 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Kyogle C Councillor | CO | 2,250 | 1,666 | 228 | 2 | No |  | No | 118 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Lachlan E Councillor | CO | 916 | 649 | 50 | 1 | No |  | No | 68 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Lake Macquarie Mayor | MA | 161,678 | 130,336 | 20,549 | 1,129 | No |  | No | 7,874 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Lismore Mayor | MA | 31,825 | 26,474 | 3,756 | 123 | No |  | No | 2,390 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Liverpool Mayor | MA | 145,484 | 115,177 | 24,286 | 1,179 | No |  | No | 1,584 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Liverpool Plains Councillor | CO | 5,717 | 4,460 | 592 | 27 | No |  | No | 33 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |


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| Lockhart A Councillor | CO | 759 | 599 | 54 | 2 | No |  | No | 25 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Lockhart B Councillor | CO | 777 | 615 | 75 | 3 | No |  | No | 29 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Mosman Mayor | MA | 20,731 | 16,425 | 2,470 | 131 | No |  | No | 444 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Murrumbidgee Jerilderie Councillor | CO | 898 | 686 | 96 | 3 | No |  | No | 6 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Murrumbidgee Murrumbidgee Councillor | co | 871 | 649 | 60 | 1 | No |  | No | 15 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Murrumbidgee Murrumbidgee East Councillor | CO | 903 | 698 | 152 | 12 | No |  | No | 122 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Nambucca Valley Mayor | MA | 16,029 | 12,482 | 1,215 | 35 | No |  | No | 4,562 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Newcastle Lord Mayor | MA | 124,655 | 100,275 | 15,878 | 1,011 | No |  | No | 1,075 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Parramatta Epping Councillor | CO | 28,169 | 23,461 | 4,882 | 226 | No |  | No | 292 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Port Macquarie-Hastings Mayor | MA | 66,817 | 54,499 | 6,314 | 266 | No |  | No | 5,357 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Port Stephens Mayor | MA | 57,880 | 47,807 | 7,663 | 306 | No |  | No | 567 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Port Stephens East Councillor | CO | 18,301 | 14,813 | 1,811 | 83 | No | No | No | 1,659 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Randwick East Councillor | co | 17,147 | 12,801 | 2,372 | 146 | No |  | No | 783 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Randwick North Councillor | CO | 17,382 | 13,121 | 2,242 | 147 | No |  | No | 1,799 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Richmond Valley Mayor | MA | 16,590 | 13,405 | 1,362 | 52 | No |  | No | 5,821 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Shellharbour Mayor | MA | 56,056 | 46,273 | 8,512 | 399 | No |  | No | 2,595 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Shellharbour C Councillor | CO | 13,336 | 10,617 | 1,661 | 69 | No | No | No | 1,233 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Singleton Mayor | MA | 17,137 | 13,755 | 2,467 | 104 | No |  | No | 869 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Tenterfield D Councillor | CO | 979 | 747 | 27 | - | No |  | No | 16 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| The Hills Mayor | MA | 123,651 | 105,384 | 25,819 | 1,227 | No |  | No | 7,148 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |


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| The Hills East Councillor | CO | 29,615 | 24,594 | 5,618 | 250 | No | No | No | 2,490 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| The Hills West Councillor | CO | 30,191 | 25,507 | 6,313 | 305 | No | No | No | 3,773 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Upper Lachlan Councillor | CO | 6,435 | 5,219 | 660 | 19 | No |  | No | 49 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Uralla Mayor | MA | 4,551 | 3,781 | 403 | 18 | No |  | No | 1,865 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Uralla A Councillor | CO | 2,217 | 1,837 | 195 | 8 | No | No | No | 18 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Uralla B Councillor | CO | 2,334 | 1,818 | 208 | 10 | No | No | No | 19 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Walcha B Councillor | CO | 588 | 488 | 120 | 4 | No |  | No | 55 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Walcha D Councillor | CO | 602 | 467 | 47 | 2 | No |  | No | 55 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Warren A Councillor | CO | 492 | 332 | 63 | 5 | No |  | No | 8 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Warren B Councillor | CO | 499 | 347 | 75 | 1 | No |  | No | 5 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Warren D Councillor | CO | 492 | 335 | 25 | - | No |  | No | 1 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Waverley Hunter Councillor | CO | 10,787 | 8,114 | 1,601 | 91 | No |  | No | 986 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Waverley Lawson Councillor | CO | 11,839 | 8,770 | 1,366 | 98 | No |  | No | 550 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Willoughby Mayor | MA | 46,729 | 37,942 | 6,921 | 333 | No |  | No | 2,531 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Wollongong Lord Mayor | MA | 155,522 | 127,240 | 20,733 | 1,087 | No |  | No | 1,812 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Woollahra Bellevue Hill Councillor | CO | 7,755 | 5,519 | 1,095 | 89 | No |  | No | 1,181 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Woollahra Double Bay Councillor | CO | 8,051 | 5,716 | 1,127 | 67 | No |  | No | 860 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Woollahra Paddington Councillor | CO | 8,291 | 5,834 | 1,165 | 87 | No |  | No | 1,298 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |
| Woollahra Vaucluse Councillor | co | 8,045 | 5,997 | 1,177 | 57 | No |  | No | 2,371 | 1,000 | 1 | - | 0.0\% | 0.0\% | 0.4\% |


[^0]:    Assessment of potential impacts to the 2021 local government elections - 23 December 2021

[^1]:    ${ }^{1}$ For the purposes of sensitivity analysis, a scenario was also run where the additional ballots were sampled from the overall set of ballot papers for each contest

[^2]:    ${ }_{1}^{1}$ See $\mathrm{https}: / /$ en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Binomial proportion confidence interval\#Clopper\%E2\%80\%93Pearson interval for further details. ${ }^{2}$ When sampling from all ballots, the same assumption is applied as per the preference patterns of all ballots.

