Appendix 12

GENERAL ELECTIONS—SIGNIFICANT DATES FROM 19TH TO 44TH PARLIAMENTS

	Dates								Number of days between		
Parliament	*Election announced in House (outside House)*	*House rising date*	*Dissolution*	*Writs issued*	*Nominations closed*	*Date of poll*	*Date for return of writs (on or before)*	*Date of first sitting*	*House rising and polling day*	*polling day and first sitting*	*date for return of writs and first sitting*
19	26.10.49	27.10.49	31.10.49	31.10.49	14.11.49	10.12.49	25.1.50	22.2.50	44	74	28
20	(17.3.51) [i]	16.3.51	19.3.51	28.3.51	6.4.51	28.4.51	13.6.51	12.6.51	43	45	-1 [ii]
21	6.4.54 [iii]	14.4.54	21.4.54	23.4.54	6.5.54	29.5.54	7.7.54	4.8.54	45	67	28
22	26.10.55	28.10.55 [iv]	4.11.55	7.11.55	16.11.55	10.12.55	25.1.56	15.2.56	43	67	21
23	20.8.58 [v]	2.10.58 [iv]	14.10.58	22.10.58	31.10.58	22.11.58	20.1.59	17.2.59	51	87	28
24	12.9.61	27.10.61 [iv]	2.11.61	3.11.61	14.11.61	9.12.61	1.2.62	20.2.62	43	73	19
25	15.10.63	30.10.63	1.11.63	1.11.63	8.11.63	30.11.63	30.1.64	25.2.64	31	87	26
26	12.10.66	28.10.66	31.10.66	31.10.66	7.11.66	26.11.66	26.1.67	21.2.67	29	87	26
27	20.8.69	26.9.69	29.9.69	29.9.69	7.10.69	25.10.69	24.11.69	25.11.69	29	31	1
28	10.10.72	26.10.72	2.11.72	2.11.72	10.11.72	2.12.72	31.1.73	27.2.73	37	87	27
29	10.4.74	10.4.74	11.4.74	20.4.74	29.4.74	18.5.74	29.6.74	9.7.74	38	52	10
30	11.11.75	11.11.75	11.11.75	17&21.11.75 [vi]	28.11.75	13.12.75	22.1.76	17.2.76	32	66	26
31	27.10.77	8.11.77	10.11.77	10.11.77	18.11.77	10.12.77	8.2.78	21.2.78	32	73	13
32	11.9.80	18.9.80	19.9.80	19.9.80	27.9.80	18.10.80	17.12.80	25.11.80	30	38	-22 [ii]
33	(3.2.83)	15.12.82 [iv]	4.2.83	4.2.83	19.2.83	5.3.83	5.5.83	21.4.83	80	47	-14 [ii]
34	8.10.84	11.10.84	26.10.84	26.10.84	6.11.84	1.12.84	24.1.85	21.2.85	51	82	28
35	27.5.87	4.6.87	5.6.87	5.6.87	18.6.87	11.7.87	3.9.87	14.9.87	37	65	11
36	(16.2.90)	22.12.89	19.2.90	19.2.90	2.3.90	24.3.90	30.5.90	8.5.90	92	45	-22 [ii]
37	(7.2.93)	18.12.92 [iv]	8.2.93	8.2.93	19.2.93	13.3.93	19.5.93	4.5.93	85	52	-15 [ii]
38	(27.1.96)	1.12.95 [iv]	29.1.96	29.1.96	9.2.96	2.3.96	8.5.96	30.4.96	92	59	-8 [ii]
39	(30.8.98)	15.7.98	31.8.98	31.8.98	10.9.98	3.10.98	9.12.98	10.11.98	80	38	-29 [ii]
40	(5.10.01)	27.9.01	8.10.01	8.10.01	18.10.01	10.11.01	16.1.02	12.2.02	44	94	27
41	(29.8.04)	13.8.04 [iv]	31.8.04	31.8.04	16.9.04	9.10.04	8.12.04	16.11.04	57	38	-22 [ii]
42	(14.10.07)	20.9.07	17.10.07	17.10.07	1.11.07	24.11.07	25.1.08	12.2.08	65	80	18
43	(17.7.10)	24.6.10	19.7.10	19.7.10	29.7.10	21.8.10	27.10.10	28.9.10	58	38	-29 [ii]
44	(4.8.13)	27.6.13	5.8. 13	5.8.13	15.8.13	7.9.13	13.11.13	12.11.13	72	66	-1 [ii]

i On 16 March 1951 the Prime Minister indicated he had tendered advice to the Governor-General but was not in a position to inform the House of the reply.
ii The first sitting day preceded the date fixed for the return of writs.
iii Dates for closing of nominations and issue of writs announced in answer to question without notice.
iv Continuation of previous day's sitting.
v Announced in answer to question without notice.
vi Writs issued for Northern Territory, ACT and all States except South Australia and Western Australia on 17 November; writs issued for South Australia and Western Australia on 21November.

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