

Topic: Official functions

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Answer:

a) From September 2008 to the 31 January 2010, the Governor-General hosted:

- 166 official functions in the ACT;
- 67 in New South Wales;
- three in Victoria;
- two in South Australia;
- two in the Northern Territory; and
- two in Queensland.
- no official functions were hosted in Tasmania or Western Australia.

The overwhelming majority of functions hosted by Their Excellencies are in Canberra and Sydney where the official residences are located. The Governor-General also accepted invitations to attend 366 functions throughout Australia.

b) The official functions mentioned above include 166 in Canberra, 66 in Sydney and one in Adelaide. The Governor-General hosted no official functions in Melbourne, Darwin, Brisbane, Hobart or Perth.