

STATE OF THE ELECTORAL ROLL

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Talking points

Question: *What it is the current state of the electoral roll?*

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Background

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Current state of the roll

- The enrolment rate is calculated on a monthly basis using federal enrolments and Estimated Eligible Population (EEP) primarily based on Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) data. The ABS information uses census-year populations by citizenship, updated for post-census interstate and overseas migration, deaths, and population ageing, then projected to the reference date and adjusted for new citizens, pre-1984 British Subjects, those who because of unsound mind are unable to understand the nature and significance of voting, and overseas electors.

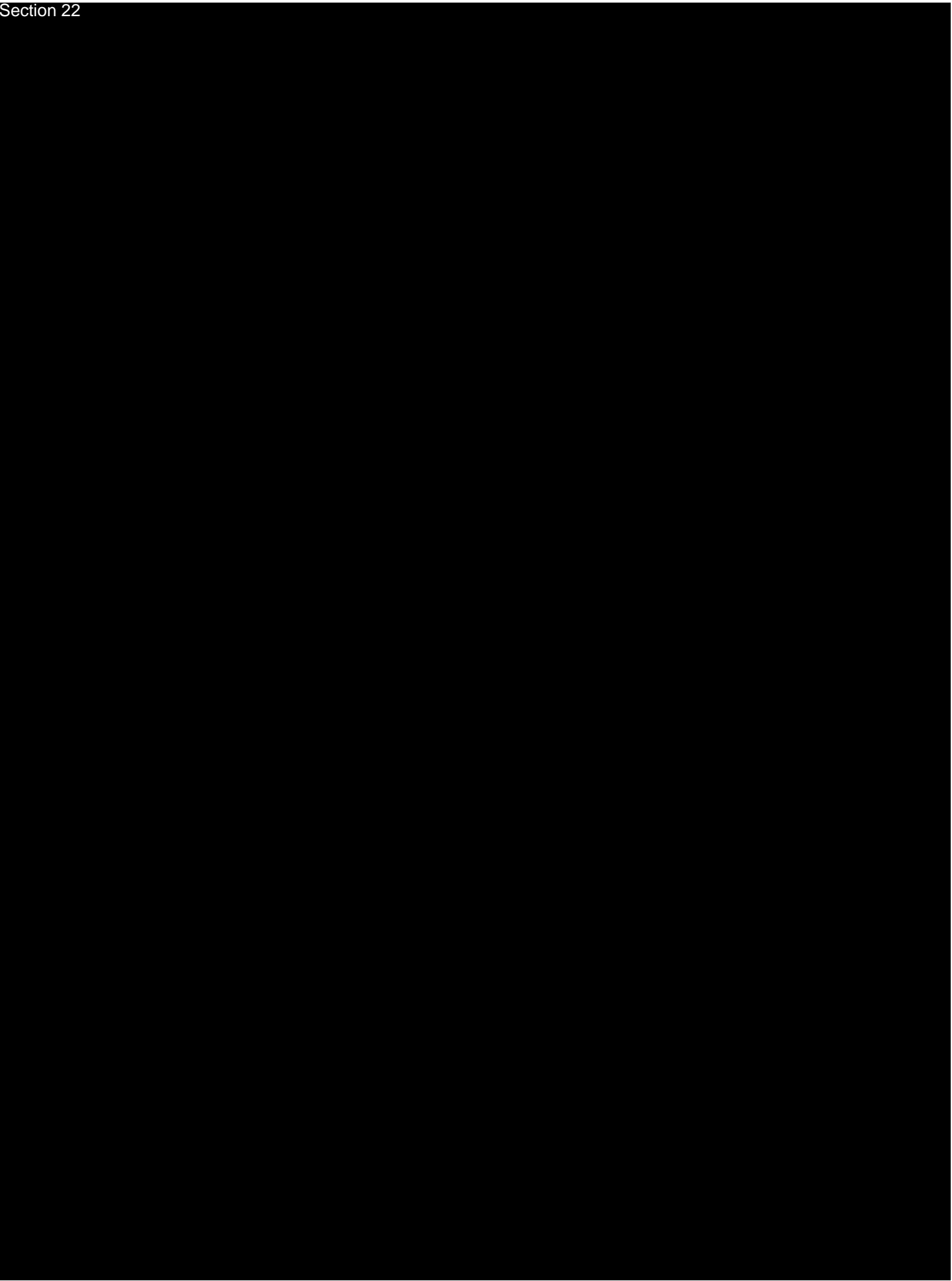
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2. Removal of deceased electors

- The AEC employs a robust process to remove deceased electors from the roll and prevent deceased persons from being added to the electoral roll.
- The AEC manages the removal of deceased electors from the roll by collecting and analysing information from a variety of sources, including advice from the elector's family and data from state registrars (Births, Deaths and Marriages), and other electoral authorities.
- In the 12 months ending 31 March 2023, the AEC removed 147,700 deceased persons from the electoral roll.

