

Electoral Districts / Areas Covered in Major Collections of Electoral Studies, Papua New Guinea from 1964

The following index was prepared by Edward Wolfers, Emeritus Professor of Politics at the University of Wollongong. It draws on the Papua New Guinea election books that were published between 1964 and 2007. It shows by province and region the electoral districts (or related areas) that were covered for each election. Bibliographic details of the election books are provided at the end of the document.

Historically, elections in Papua New Guinea have been fought at the local level and studies of them have focused at the local level. This bibliography is designed to help people who would like to compare constituencies or study a particular area over time.

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Notes

1. When the focus of a study is on a particular village, community, or electoral district(s), it is shown below. However, as areas of study have not always coincided with electoral district boundaries, the descriptions of many studies below are only approximate.
2. When an Open Electoral District(s) is cited before a Special, Regional or Provincial Electoral District, the study focuses on the area of the latter covered by the Open Electoral District.
3. Numbers following the names of electoral districts refer to pages in relevant collection listed in References (below).

General Election										
<u>Region / Province</u> ****	1964*	1968	1972	1977	1982	1987	1992	1997	2002**	2007***
Southern Region										
Western	(a) Suki Area, Fly River O: 374-387			North Fly O: 61-74	North Fly O: 59-71					
Gulf	(b) Uritai V, Lakekamu O: 197-199				Gulf: 89-98	Kerema O: 151-187				
Central						Central P: 123-149		Rigo O: 79-84		Abau O: 193-209
National Capital District	(a) Moresby O & Central S: 341-373 (b) Moresby O: 223--230	Moresby O + Hiri O & Central R: 275-314	Port Moresby Coastal O + Inland O: 504-525	Moresby North-East O & National Capital District P: 18-37 Papua Besena in Port Moresby South, North-East + North-West O's: 38-60						
Milne Bay	(a) Esa'ala-Losuia O: 280-317 Milne Bay O: 318-340 (b) Esa'ala – Losuia O: 192-197	Alotau O, Esa'ala O + Kula O & Milne Bay R: 91-131	Kula O: 469-491					Milne Bay P: 85-97		

Northern / Oro			Ijivitari O & Northern R: 492-503		Sohe O: 73-88					Ijivitari O: 211-226
Momase Region										
Morobe	(a) Lae O: 212-241 Rai Coast O (spanned Madang S and Morobe S): 194-211	Kabwum O & Morobe R: 202-214	Bulolo O – Buangs: 238-262 Lae O: 177-199 + Butibam, Kamkumung, Wagang & Jangga V's: 200-210 + 2-Mile Settlement: 211-215 Markham O: 216-237	Finsch-hafen O + Kabwum O: 228-239 Lae O: 216-227						
Madang		Mabuso, Sumkar O + Rai Coast O & Madang R + R 162-217	Madang O + Rai Coast O + southern Madang R: 67-91 Madang O: 93-113 Madang O – town Europeans: 114-132							Madang O + P: 357-374 Usino-Bundi O: 375-391
East Sepik	(a) Maprik O: 181-193		Dreikikir O: 133-159 Angoram O: 168-173	East Sepik: 240-254 Yangoru-Saussia O: 255-267	East Sepik: 207-234	Angoram O: 111-122	East Sepik, including O's: 219-239	East Sepik: 149-160		East Sepik P: 409-423 Yangoru-Saussia O: 393-408

West Sepik / Sandaun			Puang V, Wapei-Nuku O: 160-167				Nuku O & West Sepik P: 168-218			
Highlands Region										
Eastern Highlands	(a) Kainantu O & South Markham S: 91-119 (b) Kainantu O: 199-204 Gadup V, Kainantu O: 205-209			Eastern Highlands P: 123-138 Kainantu O: 161-173 Ko-ae batuka V, Obura-Wonenara O: 140-160	Goroka O: 119-138			Goroka O: 99-111		Eastern Highlands P: 227-242
Chimbu / Simbu	(a) Chimbu O: 120-146		Chimbu R: 308-349 Sinasina O: 350-370	Chimbu P: 75-122	Chimbu P: 163-204	Simbu P & O's: 245-252	Chimbu P, including O's: 277-322			Chuave O: 243-259
Western Highlands	(a) Minj O: 147-180 (b) Dei C, Minj O: 209-211 Kumdi, Mount Hagen O: 211-215 Kyaka Enga in Hagen O & Wapenamanda O: 216-223	Hagen O, Wahgi, O Mul-Dei O & Western Highlands R: 218-274	Dei O: 265-284			Hagen O: 253-284	Dei O: 240-265			
Enga			Wabag O: 291-307		Enga P + Wabag O & Wapenamanda O: 101-118			Lagaip-Porgera O: 113-122		Wabag O: 261-283

Southern Highlands			lalibu-Pangia O: 285-290	Southern Highlands: 174-195 Nipa-Kutubu O: 196-215	Southern Highlands: 139-162		Imbbongu O: 266-276	Koroba-Kopiago O: 123-139 + 141-148		Southern Highlands P: 307-321 Kagua-Erave O + Southern Highlands P : 285-305 Koroba-Lake Kop- iago O: 323-355
Islands Region										
Manus			Manus R & O: 400-414	Manus R & O: 273-286	Manus R & O: 235-278	Manus P & O: 189-207	Manus P & O:122-143			Manus P + O: 441-464
East New Britain	Rabaul O & W Gazelle S: 242-263	Gazelle O, Kokopo O + Rabaul O & East and West New Britain R 48-90	Gazelle O, Rabaul O + Kokopo O + East New Britain R: 373-399							Gazelle O: 425-439
West New Britain	Passismanua CD, West New Britain O: 264-279							Talasea O: 161-168		
New Ireland			New Ireland R: 427-433 Kavieng O: 415-426 Namatanai O:434-441	Kavieng O: 268-272		Namatanai O: 209-224	Namatanai O: 144-167			

North Solomons / Autonomous Region of Bougainville		South Bougainville O & Bougainville R: 132-161	North, Central + South Bougainville O's + Bougainville R: 442-466			North Solomons P & North, Central + South Bougainville O's: 225-243				
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Abbreviations

C	:	Council	P	:	Provincial Electorate
CD	:	Census Division	R	:	Regional Electorate
O	:	Open Electorate	S	:	Special Electorate

Footnotes

- * The 1964 general election is the only one for which two major collections of election studies have been published (cited, respectively as (a) for the book and (b) for a special symposium in the *Journal of the Polynesian Society*.)
- ** While a collection of election studies for 2002 as wide-ranging as those for previous elections has not (yet?) been published, studies of the elections in the area around Wabag in Enga P, Koroba-Lake Kopiago O in Southern Highlands, and Kerowagi O in Simbu P have been published in, Gibbs, P., Haley, N. and McLeod, N., 'Politicking and Voting in the Highlands: The 2002 Papua New Guinea National Elections' (*Discussion Paper 2004/1*, Canberra: State, Society and Governance in Melanesia Program, Australian National University).
- *** In addition to studies of particular electorates as such, this collection includes studies which focus on: security in Southern Highlands P (75-80); policing in Chimbu P (81-98); conduct of elections and security in Koroba-Lake Kopiago O (99-112); women candidates and voters, with particular reference to (129-142) in Kerema O; a non-government organization in the Highlands, Kup Women for Peace (143-154); and the context of HIV (Human Immunodeficiency Virus) transmission in Enga P (157-175).
- **** Known as 'Districts' before independence.

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