

## 2. Public funding

Eligible political parties, candidates, and Legislative Council groups that participated in the State General Election, held on 13 March 2021, could submit a claim for reimbursement of their electoral expenditure by 2 August 2021. Reimbursement of electoral expenditure is authorised where a candidate has received more than four percent of the total formal votes. The figure to be reimbursed is the lesser amount of electoral expenditure or the amount determined by using the public funding figure (\$1.96699) per first preference vote received. Two independent candidates and seven political parties qualified to lodge claims. The last claim was approved on 29 July 2021, and all claims were available to be viewed on the Commission's website from 30 August 2021.

Table 5: Summary of electoral funding reimbursement at the 2021 State General Election

Candidate / Party name	District / Region	Number of primary votes	% of valid votes	Amount paid
ARGYLE, Fiona (Independent)	Nedlands	2,883	11.03%	\$5,634.53
Australian Christians (WA)	Albany	1,246	5.36%	\$11,790.14
	Armadale	1,424	5.75%	
	Cannington	1,092	4.65%	
	Darling Range	1,230	4.64%	
	Thornlie	1,002	4.25%	
Australian Labor Party (Western Australian Branch)		1,714,490	60.15%	\$3,372,384.69
National Party of Australia (WA) Inc		96,733	14.36%	\$190,272.84
PARKER, Tony (Independent)	Cottesloe	2,670	9.91%	\$5,251.86
Pauline Hanson's One Nation	Mirrabooka	939	4.16%	\$1,847.00
Shooters, Fishers and Farmers Party (WA)	Moore	984	4.47%	\$15,214.67
	Murray-Wellington	1,149	4.59%	
	Roe	982	4.80%	
	Warren-Blackwood	1,048	4.16%	
	Agricultural Region	3,572	4.17%	
The Greens (WA) Inc		189,562	6.65%	\$372,866.56
The Liberal Party of Australia (WA Division) Inc		555,176	19.48%	\$1,092,025.64
Total				\$5,067,287.93