

# Use Case: Federal Electoral Boundary

**Portfolio – Entity:** Australian Electoral Commission

**Duty:** Independent statutory authority for the management of the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918

**Mandate:** Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918

**Functional Role:** The role of the Australian Electoral Commission is to deliver the franchise: that is, an Australian citizen's right to vote, as established by the Commonwealth Electoral Act 1918. The AEC is responsible for conducting federal elections and referendums and maintaining the Commonwealth electoral roll.

**Location Information Requirement:** The redistribution of the Federal electoral Boundaries.

A Redistribution Committee must develop a set of proposals for dividing each state or territory into a number of electoral divisions equal to its entitlement in the House of Representatives. In developing its proposals, the Redistribution Committee must remain within the numerical quotas for the current and projected enrolment. The Redistribution Committee shall also give due consideration to:

- community interests within the proposed electoral division, including economic, social and regional interests
- means of communication and travel within the proposed electoral division
- physical features and area of the proposed electoral division, and
- existing boundaries of divisions in the state or territory.

Location information is used to support the determination and redistribution of the electoral boundaries as they provide real world, digital representations of the mentioned consideration points.

**Location Information Benefit Realisation:**

1. improve election logistics
2. improve election transparency
3. improve stakeholder experience
4. be ready
5. reduce risk
6. improve election staff effectiveness, and maintain capability.

Location information provides a transparent, efficient and evidence base.

## Foundation Data Flow

