Australian Firearm Amnesty, Buyback and Destruction Totals: Official tallies and media-reported numbers, 1987-2012

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Year	NSW			VIC			QLD			SA			WA		
	Period	Collected	Destroyed	Period	Collected	Destroyed	Period	Collected	Destroyed	Period	Collected	Destroyed	Period	Collected	Destroyed
1987	24/8 8w	404 (a)		13/8 6w											
1988	1/1 10w	18,600 (10,300 s/a)	16,100 (b)	22/2 - 31/5											
	31/10 - 31/12			31/10 - 31/12	15,000		31/10 - 31/12			31/10 - 31/12			31/10 - 31/12		
1989						3 Feb: 6,000									
1990						4,000	1/1 >								
1991	1/7 4w			1/10 12w	1,000	4,000									
1992	1992-1995 (c)					4,000							1992 >		
1993						4,000									
1994						4,000									
1995	1992 >30/6	19,872 (d)		6/4 >	Aug 87 >: 27,700					?	912				
1996	> 30/6														
	30/9 12m			30/9 12m			30/9 12m			30/9 12m			30/9 12m		
1997		192,263 (e)			265,291			128,783			52,365			50,804 (s)	
1998	1/7 4w			5/8 - Feb 02											
1999					>Aug 99: 8,651 (k)	1,547				9/96 - 1/99	72,000 (q)				
2000															
2001	29/6 16w (f)	5,772	4,669		2001: 6,000					1/7 12w	2,719	500	Jul 01 - Jun 04		
2002				Aug 98 - Feb 02	96-02: 270,000 (l)	98-02: 40,000	29 Oct 12w								
2003	Oct - Jul 04 (g)														
	Oct - Jun 04	17,735 (h)		8/8 - 31/12	18,934	18,814	1/7 - 1/7/04			1/10 - 31/12			14/7 - 31/12		
2004	> Jul 04	03-04: 43,000 (i)	43,000 (i)				1/7 - 31/12	> 31 Dec: 2,848 (p)							
2005															
2006										1/1 12w	1,490		1/10 - 31/12		
2007															
2008				Oct	2,400 (m)										
2009	1/3 12w	4,323 (j)		Oct	734 (n)					1/12/08 - 28/2/09	1,100				
2010				Apr						Oct - Dec 09	1,025				
2011															
2012				Oct - Nov	2,450 (o)					Aug - Oct 2012	2,783 (r)				

State # pre-PA: **5**	38,876	State # pre-PA: **4**	12,700	State # pre-PA: **1**	unreported	State # pre-PA: **1**	912	State # pre-PA: **1**	unreported
State # post-PA: **4**	36,095	State # post-PA: **4**	19,051	State # post-PA: **2**	2,848	State # post-PA: **6**	28,752	State # post-PA: **2**	unreported
All amnesties: **12**		All amnesties: **11**		**All amnesties: 6**		**All amnesties: 10**		**All amnesties: 6**	

Pre-PA	238 weeks	38,876	92 weeks	27,700	356 weeks	unreported	8 weeks	912	252 weeks	unreported
Post-PA	228 weeks	245,358	319 weeks	304,460	140 weeks	131,631	174 weeks	81,117	272 weeks	50,804
Total	466 weeks	**284,234**	411 weeks	**332,160**	496 weeks	**131,631**	182 weeks	**82,029**	524 weeks	**50,804**

- Temporary state amnesty
- Federal amnesty
- Long-term amnesty
- > Open-ended amnesty
- Estimated annual destruction
- No collection figures reported

1996-7 Federal Firearm Buyback total: **659,940**
2003 Federal Handgun Buyback total: **68,727**
Pre-Port Arthur reported total: **67,488**
Post-Port Arthur reported total: **880,900**
All amnesties reported total: **948,388**

Pre-Port Arthur amnesty weeks: **1,220**
Post-Port Arthur amnesty weeks: **1,842**
Total amnesty weeks: **3,062**

State amnesties pre-Port Arthur: **13**
State amnesties post-Port Arthur: **22**
State amnesties total: **35**
Federal amnesties: **3**
Total amnesties (varying durations): **38**

Note: Some reports overlap, duplicating data or counting the same firearms in a different format. Where such duplications have been removed, the adjusted column total might not be the simple sum of the figures above it.

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a) 46 pistols, 269 rifles, 58 shotguns, 31 air rifles
b) NSW - Offered for return to their owners: 16,100 opted to keep the money.
c) Long-term amnesty of SLRs
d) 2,872 were seized by police or ordered forfeit by the courts
e) 55,000 auto and semi-auto firearms
f) Includes a 6-month amnesty on pre-1900 antique firearms
g) Run in unison with National Handgun Buyback
h) 8,560 were rifles, 2,246 shotguns, 1,156 handguns and 113 other weapons; + 17,000 additional handguns under the Handgun Buyback
i) Includes 'weapons,' not just firearms
j) Includes 3,173 rifles, 937 shotguns, 213 handguns and 90 replicas
k) 5,000 until Feb 99, with an additional 3,651 in four months from Feb
l) Includes 2,000 surrendered in first three months of 2002
m) Includes 'weapons,' not just firearms
n) 53 handguns, 681 long-arms, 54 imitation guns; 454 non-firearm weapons not included
o) Includes 1,600 long-barrel guns, 128 handguns and other weapons
p) Original figure of 96,185 revised to 2,835 collected from state amnesty, remainder in federal amnesty, according to 05-06 State Budget
q) SA amnesty ran for two years - figure includes the Federal Buyback
r) Includes 168 handguns, 2,420 Class A or B firearms, 105 Class C or D guns and 90 unidentified/unclassified guns
s) Includes 400 'military-style, high-powered weapons of war'
t) 1,503 were illegal
u) Includes Federal Handgun Buyback figures
v) 1,274 firearms seized by police in 2010

NT			ACT			TAS		
Period	Collected	Destroyed	Period	Collected	Destroyed	Period	Collected	Destroyed
31/10 - 31/12			31/10 - 31/12			31/10 - 31/12		
						27/11 >		
30/9 12m			30/9 12m			30/9 12m		
	9,472			5,380 (t)			38,860	
Aug - 7 Nov	120		11/7 - 5/10	660		8/6 >	> 31 Dec: 344	
1/7 - 31/12			1/7 - 31/12			1/7 - 31/12		
							2001 >: 5,600 (u)	5,000
							2007/08: 1,400	
			Feb > 3m	220			2008/09: 1,400	
							2010: 1,274 (v)	
							2010/11: 1,400	
							2011/12: 1,400	6,500

State # pre-PA: **0**	unreported		State # pre-PA: **0**	unreported		State # pre-PA: **1**	unreported	
State # post-PA: **1**	120		State # post-PA: **2**	880		State # post-PA: **1**	344	
All amnesties: 4			**All amnesties: 5**			**All amnesties: 5**		

8 weeks	unreported		8 weeks	unreported		258 weeks	unreported	
89 weeks	9,592		100 weeks	6,260		520 weeks	51,678	
97 weeks	**9,592**		108 weeks	**6,260**		778 weeks	**51,678**	