

# Australian Firearm Amnesty, Buyback and Destruction Totals: Official tallies and media-reported numbers, 1987-2015

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Year	NSW		VIC		QLD		SA		WA		NT		ACT		TAS	
	Period	Collected	Period	Collected	Period	Collected	Period	Collected	Period	Collected	Period	Collected	Period	Collected	Period	Collected
1987	24/8 8wks	404	13/8 6wks													
1988	1/1 10wks	18,600	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		31/10 - 31/12		31/10 - 31/12		31/10 - 31/12	
1989																
1990					1/1 >											
1991	1/7 4wks		1/10 12wks	1,000											27/11 >	
1992	1992-1995 (a)								1992 >							
1993																
1994																
1995	1992 >30/6	19,872	6/4 >	27,700					912							
1996	> 30/6								9/96 - 1/99							
	30/9 12mths		30/9 12mths		30/9 12mths		30/9 12mths		30/9 12mths		30/9 12mths		30/9 12mths		30/9 12mths	
1997		192,263		265,291		130,893		64,811		51,499		9,474		5,380		38,860
1998	1/7 4wks		5/8 - 2/02							47,218						
1999			>8/99	8,651				9/96 - 1/99	19,635							
2000																284
2001	29/6 16wks	5,772		6,000			1/7 12wks	2,719	7/01 - 6/04		8/01 - 7/11/01	137	11/7 - 5/10	660	8/6 > > 12/01	300
2002			8/98 - 2/02		29/10 12wks						28			193		334
2003	10/03 - 7/04 (b)													258		443
	10/03 - 6/04		8/8 - 31/12		1/7 - 1/7		1/10 - 31/12		14/7 - 31/12		1/7 - 31/12	67	1/7 - 31/12		1/7 - 31/12	
2004	> Jul 04	38,210			1/7 - 31/12	2,835								178		433
2005														143		
2006							1/1 12wks	1,490	1/10 - 31/12					88		456
2007								450								1,213
2008		4,066	10/09	847				271								508
2009	1/3 12wks	7,448	10/09	734			12/08 - 2/09	1,100		71		2/09 > 3mths	220			419
2010		4,461	4/10	3			10/09 - 12/09	1,881								543
2011		6,155		5				15		189		290				23
2012		8,585	10/12 - 11/12	1,734			8/12 - 10/12	2,854		80						601
2013		9,308		10	1/2 - 30/4	4,440			1/8 - 31/10	1,200						695
2014		4,366		19										176		3,576
2015							12/15 - 6/16	888						259		4,656

## State Firearm Amnesties

Pre-Port Arthur:	4	38,876	4	43,700	1	unreported	1	912	1	unreported	0	unreported	0	unreported	1	unreported
Post-Port Arthur:	4	280,634	5	283,294	3	138,168	7	96,114	3	100,285	1	9,968	2	7,555	1	53,344
Total:		319,510		326,994		138,168		97,026		100,285		9,968		7,555		53,344

	Federal firearm amnesty
	Short-term state amnesty
	Long-term state amnesty
	Open-ended state amnesty

## In blank spaces, collection and destruction figures are unknown

- a) Long-term amnesty of SLRs (self-loading rifles)
- b) Run in unison with National Handgun Buyback
- c) National total not disaggregated by state in 2003

State amnesties pre-Port Arthur: 12  
 State amnesties post-Port Arthur: 26  
 State amnesties total: 38  
 Federal amnesties: 3  
 Total amnesties (varying durations): 41

1996-97 Federal Firearm Buyback total: 758,471  
 2003 Federal Handgun Buyback total: 68,727 (c)  
 Pre-Port Arthur reported total: 83,488  
 Post-Port Arthur reported total: 1,038,089  
 All amnesties reported total: 1,121,577  
 (Totals include firearms voluntarily surrendered without compensation)

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