



Australian Christian Values Checklist - 24 March 2007 NSW State Elections

In the 2001 Census 68% Australians identified themselves as Christians. This summary of the positions of major parties on issues of concern to Christians is provided as a service to the Christian community. This checklist has been compiled after an exhaustive search of party platforms, voting history, statements, including in some cases the voting record of their Federal counterparts. As positions are often difficult to summarise in a format of this kind, and because parties have not always made definitive statements on some of the issues, ✓ = yes, ✗ = no, and a '?' Indicates in some instances a conscience vote, or a less than conclusive opinion on the party's position.

27 Point Checklist	Greens	Democrats	Labor	Liberal	National	Christian Democratic
1. Support prayers to open Parliament each day	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
2. Teach Australia's Christian heritage in all schools	✗	✗	✗ ?	✗ ?	✗ ?	✓
3. Support traditional family values in education	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
4. Support state funded education vouchers to encourage school choice	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
5. Actively support unique status of marriage between a man and a woman	✗	✗	✓ ?	✓	✓	✓
6. Presumption of shared parenting following a relationship breakdown	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
7. Oppose the decriminalisation of abortion & enforce current laws	✗	✗	✗ ?	✗ ?	?	✓
8. Protect human life oppose use of RU 486 - abortion pill	✗	✗	✗ ?	✗ ?	?	✓
9. Prohibit use of embryos for stem cell research and reject human cloning	✗ ?	✗	✗ ?	✗ ?	?	✓
10. Oppose civil unions & relationship registers for same-sex couples	✗	✗	✗	✓ ?	✓ ?	✓
11. Protect children prohibit same-sex couples fostering & adopting children	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓
12. Consistently enforce ban on X-rated videos to decrease sex crimes	✗	✗	✗ ?	✗ ?	✗ ?	✓
13. Strengthen family relationships raise moral standards on TV, film & radio	✗	✗	✗ ?	✓ ?	✓ ?	✓
14. Support mandatory clean feed filtering of internet pornography	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
15. Restore rights for local government to refuse brothels & gaming venues	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
16. Make all prostitution illegal - exploits women & promotes sex slavery	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
17. Reduce gambling venues and machines to protect families	✗ ?	✗ ?	✗	✗	✗	✓
18. Children need mum & dad - No IVF for single & same sex couples	✗	✗	✗	✗ ?	✓ ?	✓
19. Support the promotion of renewable energy	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
20. Support greater care of God's environment	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
21. Protect family values refuse to support Sydney Gay & Lesbian Mardi Gras	✗	✗	✗	✓ ?	✓	✓
22. Raise the age of consent to protect our children's sexual integrity	✗	✗	✗ ?	✗ ?	✓ ?	✓
23. Help drug addicts by immediately closing drug injection rooms	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓
24. Zero drug tolerance - Retain criminal penalties for illicit drug use	✗	✗	✗	✓ ?	✓	✓
25. Ban alcohol advertising to reduce the damaging effects of alcohol abuse	✗ ?	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
26. Oppose all vilification laws to protect free speech	✗	✗	✗ ?	✓ ?	✓ ?	✓
27. Protect human life - voluntary euthanasia to remain illegal	✗	✗	✓ ?	✓ ?	✓ ?	✓

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