

# Wayne Swan Papers

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**Scope and content** The collection reflects the history of Wayne Swan's time in public office and in particular is a record of his experience as: Secretary of the Queensland Labor Party (1991-1993) Federal MP and Member for the seat of Lilley from 1993-1996, 1998-2019, Treasurer of Australia (2007-2013), Deputy Prime Minister and Deputy leader of the ALP (2010-13) and National President of the Australian Labor Party (2018- ) A substantial part of the collection relates to the Global Financial Crisis of 2008-9 and is highly significant given that Australia was a key contributor to G20 discussions. Australia is recognized for its implementation of a remarkably effective domestic stimulus response to the crisis. Wayne Swan was named World's Top Finance Minister of 2011 by Euromoney Magazine for his role in guiding Australia through the GFC without going into recession. The collection includes photographs, correspondence, campaign materials and political documents.

**Description** 29 boxes of papers

**Administrative / Biographical history** Born in 1954, Wayne Swan is an Australian politician. He was the Deputy Prime Minister of Australia and Deputy Leader of the Labor Party from 2010 to 2013 and the Treasurer of Australia from 2007 to 2013. Other key positions held during his political career include his roles as: Secretary of the Queensland Labor Party (1991-1993) Federal MP and Member for the seat of Lilley from 1993-1996 and 1998-2019 and National President of the Australian Labor Party (2018- ).

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## Box 1: (2008-2009)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 1

**Box title** Treasurer of Australia

**Date** 2008-2009

### Scope and content

Records relating to the period where Wayne Swan served as Treasurer of Australia under the Rudd and Gillard Labor Governments from December 2007 to June 2013. Material includes: correspondence; speaking/interview notes and transcripts; newspaper articles; background notes; official programs for various overseas trips; speeches; media briefs, press releases and Treasury executive minutes. Key content includes:

- Response to the Global Financial Crisis
- International finance meetings: International Monetary Fund; G20; OECD economic outlook
- Climate change
- Utegate (also known as OzCar)

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### Other

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## Box 2: (2009)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 2

**Box title** Treasurer of Australia

**Date** 2009

## Scope and content

Records relating to the period where Wayne Swan served as Treasurer of Australia under the Rudd and Gillard Labor Governments from December 2007 to June 2013. Material includes: correspondence; speaking/interview notes and transcripts; background notes; official programs for various overseas trips; speeches; media briefs, press releases and Treasury executive minutes. Key content includes:

- Response to the Global Financial Crisis
- International finance meetings: G20; OECD economic outlook, APEC
- Climate change
- Utegate (also known as OzCar)
- Recession
- Stimulus response
- Foreign investment

## Description

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## Box 3: (2009-2010)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 3

**Box title** Treasurer of Australia

**Date** 2009-2010

## Scope and content

Records relating to the period where Wayne Swan served as Treasurer of Australia under the Rudd and Gillard Labor Governments from December 2007 to June 2013. Material includes: correspondence; speaking/interview notes and transcripts; background notes; newspaper

articles, official programs for various overseas trips; speeches; media briefs and press releases. Key content includes:

- Intergenerational Report
- International finance meetings: G20; International Monetary Fund
- Climate change

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## Box 4: (2011-2013)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 4

**Box title** Treasurer of Australia

**Date** 2011-2013

#### Scope and content

Records relating to the period where Wayne Swan served as Treasurer of Australia under the Rudd and Gillard Labor Governments from December 2007 to June 2013. Material includes: correspondence; speaking/interview notes and transcripts; background notes; speeches; media briefs and Treasury notes. Key content includes:

- Response to the Global Financial Crisis
- International finance meetings: G20; International Monetary Fund
- 2011 Euromoney Finance Minister of the Year (aka 'World's Greatest Treasurer')

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## Box 5: (2009-2016)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 5

**Box title** Treasurer of Australia

**Date** 2009-2016

**Scope and content**

Records relating to the period where Wayne Swan served as Treasurer of Australia under the Rudd and Gillard Labor Governments from December 2007 to June 2013. Material includes: correspondence; agendas; reports; background briefs; issues papers; Cabinet submissions; media briefs; interview transcripts and speeches. Key content includes:

- Global finance
- International finance meetings: G20

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## Box 6: (1950s-1980s)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 6

**Box title** Australian Labor Party. Queensland Branch: Administrative bodies

**Date** 1950s-1980s

**Scope and content**

Records relating to the administrative bodies of the Queensland Branch of the Australian Labor Party. Material includes: reports, correspondence, press clippings, agendas and minutes. Key content includes:

- Historical records and documents relating to: Joe Bukowski and Vince Gair expulsions (1957); Candidate lists for state elections (1960s); State of the ALP in Queensland report (1977); Gough Whitlam addresses (1977-1978); Restructure of the Queensland Branch (1970s); Electoral redistribution (1970s); State of the Queensland Party (1970s); election analysis (1970s); Election campaign reports (1980s); Papers by Wayne Swan and Mick Young re: unemployment (1980s); Democratic Elections Bill (1985)
- Queensland Central Executive (Q.C.E.) meetings (1965-1979)
- ALP conferences and Labor-in-Politics conventions

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## Box 7: (1970-1987)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 7

**Box title** Australian Labor Party. Queensland Branch: Administrative bodies

**Date** 1970-1987

## Scope and content

Records relating to the administrative bodies of the Queensland Branch of the Australian Labor Party. Material includes: correspondence, agendas, minutes, reports, speeches, press clippings and interview transcripts. Key content includes:

- Federal intervention
- ALP. Queensland Branch reform
- Administrative Committee meetings (1984-1987)

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# Box 8: (1984-1989)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 8

**Box title** Australian Labor Party. Queensland Branch: Administrative bodies

**Date** 1984-1989

## Scope and content

Records relating to the administrative bodies of the Queensland Branch of the Australian Labor Party. Material includes: correspondence, agendas, reports, policy papers and press clippings. Key content includes:

- Gerrymander
- Privatisation
- Preselection
- Gagging of State Secretary, Peter Beattie
- State Council (1987)

Administrative Committee meetings (1987)

- State election campaign (1989)

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# Box 9: (1988-2007)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 9

**Box title** Australian Labor Party. Queensland Branch: Administrative bodies

**Date** 1988-2007

**Scope and content**

Records relating to the administrative bodies of the Queensland Branch of the Australian Labor Party. Material includes: correspondence, reports, papers, speeches and ephemera. Also includes two VHS recordings of speeches delivered by Wayne Swan to the Main Committee (3 June 1999) and the House of Representatives (8 June 1999.) Key content includes:

- State Campaign - Directors' reports (1988-1989)
- State Secretary papers and correspondence (1992)
- Climate change (2006-2007)

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## Box 10: (1950-1995)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 10

**Box title** Australian Labor Party. Queensland Branch

**Date** 1950-1995

### Scope and content

Records relating to the Queensland Branch of the Australian Labor Party. Material includes: submissions, correspondence, minutes, interview transcripts, press clippings and reports. Key content includes:

- Historical records relating to the Labor Party Split; reform of the Queensland Branch; factions and Federal intervention (1950s-1980s)
- Queensland Central Executive - minutes and reports (1950s-1971)
- Election campaign reports
- ALP Caucus Committees that Wayne Swan served on relating to the future of employment and unemployment; reform of the international coal trade and on a committee devoted to economics and industrial relations (1993-1995)

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## Box 11: (1965-1980s)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 11

**Box title** Australian Labor Party. Queensland Branch

**Date** 1965-1980s

### Scope and content

Records relating to the Queensland Branch of the Australian Labor Party. Material includes: commissioned market research, committee reports, agendas and minutes. Key content includes:

- Electoral analysis and research (1970s-1980s)
- Labor-in-Politics conventions (1965-1977). In the Queensland branch of the Australian Labor Party the peak policy and rule making body was, until 1979, the Labor-in-Politics Convention. The Convention met every 3 years and was attended by trade union delegates and delegates from each of the state electorates.

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## Box 12: (1977-1987)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 12

**Box title** Australian Labor Party. Queensland Branch

**Date** 1977-1987

### Scope and content

Records relating to the Queensland Branch of the Australian Labor Party. Material includes:

correspondence, press clippings, circulars, submissions and reports. Key content includes:

- Historical documents relating to Federal intervention, Branch reform and Sir John Egerton (1977-1987)
- State Conference committee reports (1981-1984)

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## Box 13: (1980-1989)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 13

**Box title** Australian Labor Party. Queensland Branch

**Date** 1980-1989

**Scope and content**

Records relating to the Queensland Branch of the Australian Labor Party. Material includes: election strategy documents, records, correspondence, interview transcripts and press clippings.

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# Box 14: (1993-2001)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 14

**Box title** Australian Labor Party. Queensland Branch

**Date** 1993-2001

## Scope and content

Records relating to the Queensland Branch of the Australian Labor Party regarding various Federal election campaigns. Material includes: campaign materials, correspondence and media releases.

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# Box 15: (2004-2016)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 15

**Box title** Australian Labor Party. Queensland Branch

**Date** 2004-2016

## Scope and content

Records relating to the Queensland Branch of the Australian Labor Party regarding various Federal election campaigns. Material includes: campaign materials, correspondence, speech

notes, transcripts and media releases.

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## Box 16: (1994-2012)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 16

**Box title** Australian Labor Party. Queensland Branch

**Date** 1994-2012

**Scope and content**

Records relating to the Queensland Branch of the Australian Labor Party with reference to the Federal seat of Lilley. Material includes: electorate communications. Wayne Swan was first elected as the federal member for Lilley in 1993. Apart from the 1996 election (when Labor lost a large number of seats) he held Lilley until his retirement in 2019.

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## Box 17: (1965-2006)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 17

**Box title** Wayne Swan

**Date** 1965-2006

### Scope and content

Records relating to Wayne Swan. Material includes: speeches, speech notes, correspondence, press clippings, interview transcripts, reports, memorabilia (including school report cards, birthday cards, certificates, ID cards and membership tags etc. 1965-1999) and a diary (1983).

Key content includes:

- Prostate cancer awareness. Wayne Swan was diagnosed with prostate cancer in 2001, at the age of 48 and he underwent a rapid radical prostatectomy which saved his life. His father had previously died from the same disease over a decade earlier. Wayne campaigned widely about the need for early testing, running forums, organising support and talking openly about his condition. He did much to raise awareness about the disease and to address the stigma attaching to it. While in government he is also credited with responsibility for a substantial increase in the level of federal funding dedicated to international prostate cancer research.
- Fabian Society (2002-2006). Wayne Swan was an active member of the Australian Fabian Society while in office. The Society is committed to influencing policies of political parties in Australia and has historically had a close association with the Australian Labor Party. Since 2002 Wayne has delivered a number of speeches at Society events, an example being his 2011 essay *The demonisation of Keynes and a progressive response to the Americanisation of the Right*.
- State Secretary addresses (1989-1992)

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## Box 18: (1975-2005)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 18

**Box title** Wayne Swan

**Date** 1975-2005

### Scope and content

Records relating to Wayne Swan. Material includes: publication drafts, related documents, source material, correspondence and programs. Key content includes:

- Publications written by Wayne Swan including:
  - Book (2005) - Postcode: the splintering of a nation
  - Thesis (1975) - Factionalism: the case of Queensland Labor: 1959-1966
  - Book chapter (1983) - Queensland: Labor's Graveyard
  - Journal article (1987) - National Factions and the ALP
- Daily programs (1993-1994)

### Description

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### Other

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## Box 19: (1993-2009)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 19

**Box title** Wayne Swan

**Date** 1993-2009

**Scope and content**

Records relating to Wayne Swan. Material includes: speeches, addresses, Parliamentary statements, interview transcripts and media releases. Key content includes:

- Speeches and media releases (1993-1995) relating to:
  - Pricewatch (Lilley)
  - Transport
  - Seniors
  - Tax reform
  - Budget
  - Unemployment
- Speeches at various Labor conferences including National, State, Country, Young Labor (1994-2009)

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Other

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## Box 20: (1995-2008)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 20

**Box title** Wayne Swan

**Date** 1995-2008

**Scope and content**

Records relating to Wayne Swan. Wayne Swan was Shadow Treasurer from October 2004 until



December 2007. From December 2007 he served as Treasurer of Australia in the newly elected Rudd Labor government. Material includes: addresses, speech notes, interview transcripts, reports, media briefs, correspondence, working papers and press clippings. Key content includes:

- Tax reform (2004-2005)
- Economy (2005-2008)

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#### Other

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## Box 21: (1994-2019)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 21

**Box title** Wayne Swan

**Date** 1994-2019

#### Scope and content

Records relating to Wayne Swan. Wayne Swan was Shadow Treasurer from October 2004 until December 2007. From December 2007 he served as Treasurer of Australia in the newly elected Rudd Labor government. Material includes: speeches, speech notes, correspondence, media releases, and interview transcripts. Key content includes:

- Election campaigns (1994-2007)
- Speeches (2003-2007)
- Media communications (2001-2007)
- Valedictorian speech (2019)

## Description

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## Other

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# Box 22: (1995-2007)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 22

**Box title** Wayne Swan

**Date** 1995-2007

## Scope and content

Records relating to Wayne Swan regarding industrial relations policy. Wayne Swan was Shadow Treasurer from October 2004 until December 2007. From December 2007 he served as Treasurer of Australia in the newly elected Rudd Labor government. Material includes: speeches, speech notes, correspondence, media releases, press clippings, interview transcripts and policy briefs. Key content includes:

- Industrial relations policy relating to Australian Workplace Agreements (AWAs) (2004-2007). AWAs, which existed in the Australian industrial relations arena between 1996 and 2009, were a type of formalised individual agreement negotiated between an employer and employee. The trade unions regarded AWAs as an attempt to undermine the collective bargaining power of unions in the negotiation of pay and conditions on behalf of their members.
- Speech by Wayne Swan titled: *The Accord and Its Future* (1995)

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## Other

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## Box 23: (1993-2007)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 23

**Box title** Wayne Swan

**Date** 1993-2007

### Scope and content

Records relating to Wayne Swan. Wayne Swan was Shadow Treasurer from October 2004 until December 2007. From December 2007 he served as Treasurer of Australia in the newly elected Rudd Labor government. Material includes: speeches, press clippings, media interviews, interview transcripts, policy documents and correspondence. Key content includes:

- Media interviews (2000-2007)
- Correspondence with Bob Ellis (2005-2007)
- Maiden speech in the House of Representatives (1993)
- Book launch - Postcode: the splintering of a nation (2005)

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### Other

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## Box 24: (2008-2010)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 24

**Box title** Wayne Swan: Federal Treasurer of Australia

**Date** 2008-2010

### Scope and content

Records relating to Wayne Swan. From December 2007 he served as Treasurer of Australia in the newly elected Rudd Labor government. Material includes: daily itineraries and speech notes.

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### Other

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## Box 25: (2007-2013)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 25

**Box title** Wayne Swan: Federal Treasurer of Australia

**Date** 2007-2013

### Scope and content

Records relating to Wayne Swan. From December 2007 he served as Treasurer of Australia in the newly elected Rudd Labor government. Material includes: daily itineraries (2011-2013) and itineraries for overseas visits (2007-2011).

### Description

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## Other

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## Box 26: (1990-2014)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 26

**Box title** Photographs

**Date** 1990-2014

**Scope and content**

Photographs of Wayne Swan taken throughout his political career. Includes photographs of Wayne meeting constituents and volunteers, campaigning and attending official events in his electorate of Lilley; attending protest marches and demonstrations; photographs with politicians including Wayne Goss, Kim Beasley, Cheryl Kernot, Liddy Clarke, Jenny Macklin and Simon Crean; and photographs taken when he was Treasurer of Australia at the Asian Financial Forum and with Prime Minister Kevin Rudd in China.

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## Box 27: (2007-2015)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 27

**Box title** Phillip Morris Asia v. Australia

**Date** 2007-2015

**Scope and content**

Index of documents (Vol.1-2) referred to in the witness statement of the Hon. Wayne Swan MP in the case of Phillip Morris Asia v. Australia. Also includes an additional volume of further material for Wayne Swan relating to the case. The *Tobacco Plain Packaging Act 2011* makes it mandatory for tobacco companies selling their products in Australia to use generic plain packaging. The legislation also requires tobacco packaging to feature large, visually-arresting health warnings which are designed to make cigarettes unappealing to smokers. Tobacco company Philip Morris challenged this legislation (on the grounds that the legislation made it difficult for brand owners to market their products using unique design elements) but failed to have the Australian government's plain packaging legislation overturned. Wayne Swan, then Australian Federal Treasurer, helped draft the plain-packaging laws and was called by Australia to give evidence during secret hearings in 2015.

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## Box 28: (1972-2013)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 28

**Box title** Large photographs, cartoons, newspaper articles and framed award

**Date** 1972-2013

**Scope and content**

Content includes:

- Framed award from the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia presented to The Hon Wayne Swan MP in recognition of his exceptional contribution over many years in raising awareness of prostate cancer in the Australian community (20 September, 2012)
- Framed newspaper article from The Courier-Mail titled 'Corruption and performance suggest it's time for a change' regarding the Queensland State Election (1 December, 1989)
- Newspaper article from The Courier-Mail titled 'The election the Liberal Party lost' regarding the outcome of the Brisbane City Council election (25 March, 1991)
- Photographs of Wayne Swan taken during his political career and features politicians such as Kim Beasley, Kevin Rudd and Wayne Goss (1980-2012). Also includes a group photograph of Wayne Swan and other students of Emmanuel College, University of Queensland (1972)
- Political cartoons and sketches featuring Wayne Swan (1991-2013)

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## Box 29: (1989)

**Unit ID** 32178

**Box number** 29

**Box title** Albert Einstein bust

**Date** 1989

#### Scope and content

Large bust of Albert Einstein which was presented to Wayne Swan as ALP Campaign Director by Labor's advertising agency on the occasion of the Party's historic victory in the 1989 state election in Queensland. Following 32 continuous years in opposition Labor, under the leadership

of Wayne Goss, was swept to power in a landslide victory, overcoming an electoral gerrymander and winning 54 of the 89 state seats.

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