

Between 1901 and 2002 there have been 132 instances of party jumping. The breakdown is given in the following tables:

Table 1: Number of defections and defectors

	Defections	Number of defectors
House	97	79
Senate	35	35
Total	132	114

Table 2: Number of defections per person

Defected	House	Senate	Number of defectors	Number of defections
X 1	79	35	114	114
X 2	9	0	9	9
X 3	3	0	3	6
X 4	1	0	1	3
Total				132

Source: Miskin Sarah, Politician Overboard: Jumping the Party Ship, Information and Research Services, Australian Parliament House, Canberra, 2003.