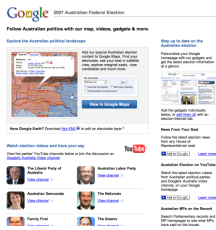


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The new Google page

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And get involved into the 2007 Australian Federal Election

The world is changing and there's no way to stop this. It all tends to be digitized and no matter what, it becomes addicted to the computer. Even the federal elections are now based on computer systems. If you don't trust me, read this. Google has just rolled out a 2007 Australian Federal Election page which offers valuable information about the upcoming election campaign in Australia and the candidates. In fact, the Mountain View company managed to build several utilities compatible with its already released products which can keep the consumers up to date with the latest news concerning the Australian election. That's why you're now able to install a special electorate layer in Google Earth or add new gadgets on your iGoogle page that would bring the hottest information straight on your desktop. In addition, you can visit the candidates' YouTube channel to stay in touch with them and to assure an interactive discussion through uploaded videos. "Today, we proudly announced the launch of Google Australia's election website, allowing Australian voters to have an intimate look at the parties, candidates and election issues all in one Google location. We were delighted to have Joe Hockey and Peter Garrett in attendance, as well as video messages from the Prime Minister and Leader of the Opposition," Julian Sonogo and Rob Shilkin, Google Australia election team, announced the new page. "These products, spanning across our Search, Maps, News, video, Earth, Trends, and iGoogle properties, will allow Australians to organise and digest election information more easily than ever. You can see the political landscape in Google Maps. You can access the latest news and information on your personalised Google homepage. Or you can have your say at Google's Australia Votes channel on YouTube. And much more." It seems like Google tends to become a top player in the politics market. First, it got involved into the 2008 US Presidential election by releasing 'You Choose 08', a special YouTube channel that hosts the candidates' clips. Then, it digitized the presidential debates by signing a deal with the televisions. And now, [this](#).