Lingiari (ALP 8.1%)

Location
Lingiari covers most of the land area of the Northern Territory including the towns of Alice Springs, Tenant Creek, Katherine, Nhulunbuy, Jabiru as well as the Palmerston suburbs of Farrar, Johnston and Zuccoli. Lingiari also includes Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

Redistribution
Gains parts of Palmerston from Solomon, reducing the Labor margin from 8.4% to 8.2%

History
Lingiari was created in 2001 and has always been held by Labor’s Warren Snowdon.

Candidates
Warren Snowdon- ALP: Before entering parliament, Snowdon was a teacher and a project officer with the Central Land Council. He was MP for the Northern Territory’s sole electorate from 1987 to 1996 and again from 1998 to 2001 when he transferred to Lingiari after the Northern Territory was split into two electorates. Snowdon was Minister for Defence Science and Personnel from 2007 to 2009 and again from 2010 to 2013, in this second period he was also Minister for Veterans Affairs. Snowdon was dropped from the frontbench after the 2013 election.

Jacinta Price- CLP: Price is an Alice Springs town councillor.

George Hanna- Greens:

Daniel Hodgson- UAP: Hodgson is a maintenance fitter.

Regina McCarthy- Rise Up Australia:

Hamish MacFarlane- Independent:

Electoral Geography
Lingiari has a varied electoral geography. Labor polls most strongly in the remote mobile booths that serve indigenous communities as well as on Christmas Island and the Cocos (Keeling) Islands and in Tenant Creek and Nhulunbuy. Alice Springs is more marginal while the CLP does better in Katherine and near Darwin. The Labor vote ranged from 33.96% at the Tindal Community Centre near Katherine to 91.35% at the Indian Ocean Group Training Association on Home Island, in the Cocos (Keeling) Islands.

Prognosis
Labor should hold on to Lingiari.
**Solomon (ALP 6.1%)**

**Location**
Solomon covers all of the City of Darwin and most of the City of Palmerston.

**Redistribution**
Loses suburbs on the eastern edge of Palmerston to Lingiari, increasing the Labor margin from 6.0% to 6.1%.

**History**
Solomon was created in 2001 and has mostly been a marginal seat. Its first member was the CLP’s Dave Tollner. Tollner held the seat as a backbench MP until 2007, when he was defeated by Labor’s Damian Hale. Hale only held the seat for a term before being defeated in 2010 by the CLP’s Natasha Griggs. Griggs was re-elected in 2013 but was defeated in 2016 by Labor’s Luke Gosling.

**Candidates**
Luke Gosling- ALP: Before entering Parliament, Gosling was a member of the armed forces and was founder of the Remote Area Health Corps.

Timothy Parish- Greens:

Kathy Ganley- CLP: Ganley is a former senior executive in government.

Raj Samson- UAP:

Sue Fraser-Adams- Independent:

Lorraine Gimini- Rise Up Australia:

**Electoral Geography**
Labor’s best area is the northern suburbs of Darwin while the Darwin CBD and Palmerston are more marginal/CLP leaning. The Labor vote ranged from 39.96% at Larrakeyah Pre School near the Darwin CBD to 64.67% at O’Loughlin Catholic College in Karama in the northern suburbs.

**Prognosis**
Labor is favoured but the seat is historically marginal.