

# The Australian Women's Register

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**Entry type:** Person  
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## Hirsh, Carolyn Dorothy

(1937 - )

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**Nationality** Australian

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**Born** 1 August, 1937, Melbourne Victoria Australia

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**Occupation** Parliamentarian, Psychologist

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### Summary

A member of the Australian Labor Party (ALP), Carolyn Hirsh's parliamentary career began when she was elected as the Member for Wantirna in the Legislative Assembly of the Parliament of Victoria in 1985 after standing for that seat unsuccessfully at the 1982 election. She was re-elected in 1988, but defeated in 1992 when she stood as an ALP candidate for the seat of Knox. In an attempt to move into the federal parliament, she unsuccessfully contested the seat of La Trobe at both the 1996 and 1998 elections. Returning to the state parliament, she was elected as the Member for Silvan in the Legislative Council in 2002. She resigned from the ALP in 2004 and continued in parliament as an Independent until she rejoined the party in November 2005. She did not contest the 2006 state election.

### Published resources

#### Resource

Victorian Parliamentary Handbook Electronic Edition, 2005,  
<http://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/handbook>

Trove, National Library of Australia, 2009

#### Book

Victorian Parliamentary Handbook, no. 8, the 55th Parliament, 2004

#### Site Exhibition

Carrying on the Fight: Women Candidates in Victorian Parliamentary Elections, Australian Women's Archives Project, 2008,  
<http://www.womenaustralia.info/exhib/cws/home.html>

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