

Heaviest No vote from country

The heaviest N.S.W. voting against the Aborigines' section of Saturday's referendum came from country electorates.

Ten of the 46 N.S.W. electorates recorded more than 5,000 No votes.

Seven of these were Country Party electorates, including the highest recorded against the Aborigines question—in Cowper, held by Mr I. Robinson.

The No vote in Cowper was 6,751 out of a total voting strength of 41,062, or more than 18 per cent.

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The Cowper electorate includes the towns of Grafton, Coff's Harbour, Casino and Nambucca.

The second highest vote against the Aborigines proposal was in Lyne, held by the Deputy Speaker in the House of Representatives, Mr P. E. Lucock (Country Party).

His electorate recorded 6,680 No votes out of a total of 46,537 enrolled electors.

Lyne includes the towns of Kempsey, Taree, Wauchope, Port Macquarie and Forster.

The next highest No vote was in the electorate of Gwydir, which includes the towns of Walgett, Moree, Inverell, Narrabri, Gunnedah and Quirindi.

Of the electorate's voting population of 44,277 more than 6,600 voted against the proposal.

METROPOLITAN

Other No votes over 5,000 occurred in the electorates of Lawson (C.P.), Mitchell (Lib^l), New England (C.P.), Paterson (Lib.), Richmond (C.P.), Riverina (C.P.) and Werriwa (A.L.P.).

The electorates of Werriwa and Mitchell were the only two metropolitan electorates to record a vote of more than 5,000 against.

These two electorates are among the largest in Australia, Mitchell having 101,684 electors and Werriwa 93,100.

The Richmond electorate, the seat held by the Minister for the Interior and Deputy Leader of the Country Party, Mr J. D. Anthony, recorded 5,270 No votes.

Richmond takes in the towns of Lismore, Kyogle, Ballina and Byron Bay.