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Digital TV planned for inland NSW and the ACT

On 27 May 2002, the ABA released digital channel plans (DCPs) for high power television services in the inland NSW areas of Central Tablelands, Central Western Slopes, Cooma/Monaro, South West Slopes/Eastern Riverina and Upper Namoi.

Included in the plans are repeater channels for Armidale,

Bombala, Cooma Town, Dubbo, Tamworth and Wagga Wagga. In a variation to the digital channel plans for the ACT, the ABA has planned digital repeater channels at Tuggeranong and Weston Creek/Woden.

The ABA has decided further consultation is required on the proposed channel assignments for digital services in the

Murrumbidgee Irrigation Area (see page 6).

The plans set out the channels existing commercial and national broadcasters will use for their digital transmissions. The ABA has also identified as yet unassigned channels that may be used for other purposes, including datacasting.



An explanatory paper - which discusses issues raised in submissions and explains the reasons for each decision - plus the DCPs for inland NSW and the variation to DCPs for the ACT are available on the ABA's website at www.aba.gov.au/tv/digitaltv/planning/index.htm.

Copies can also be obtained from the ABA by calling Freecall 1800 810 241.

Digital channel plans summary

Central Tablelands								
Area served	Analog/Digital	Analog channel assignments/Proposed digital channel assignments						
Central Tablelands	Analog	ABCN	SBS	CBN	CTC	WIN	Unassigned	
	Digital	1	30	8	33	39	38	50

Central Western Slopes								
Area served	Analog/Digital	Analog channel assignments/Proposed digital channel assignments						
Central Western Slopes	Analog	ABQN	SBS	CBN	CTC	WIN	Unassigned	
	Digital	11	29	6	35	32	47	48
Dubbo	Analog	12	44	41	46	45		
	Digital	57	54	60	66	63	51	52

Cooma Monaro								
Area served	Analog/Digital	Analog channel assignments/Proposed digital channel assignments						
Cooma/Monaro	Analog	ABSN	SBS	CBN	CTC	WIN	Unassigned	
	Digital	8*	36#	42	10	39	37	38

* ABC does not operate at this site. Channel 8 operated from Brown Mountain (Bega/Cooma).

Possible future analog SBS service for Cooma/Monaro.



Bombala								
Area served	Analog/Digital	Analog channel assignments/Proposed digital channel assignments						
Bombala	Analog	ABSN	SBS	CBN	CTC	WIN	Unassigned	
	Digital	8*	67#	64	2	61	65	68

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Possible future analog SBS service for Bombala.

Cooma Town								
Area served	Analog/Digital	Analog channel assignments/Proposed digital channel assignments						
Cooma Town	Analog	ABSN	SBS	CBN	CTC	WIN	Unassigned	
	Digital	56	53*	65	59	62	52	53

* Proposed to move to channel 68.

SW Slopes/E Riverina								
Area served	Analog/Digital	Analog channel assignments/Proposed digital channel assignments						
SW Slopes/ E Riverina	Analog	ABMN	SBS	CBN	CTC	WIN	Unassigned	
	Digital	0	29	2	35	32	44	45
Wagga Wagga	Analog	ABN	SBS	CBN	CTC	WIN	Unassigned	
	Digital	56	53	59	65	62	67	68

Upper Namoi								
Area served	Analog/Digital	Analog channel assignments/Proposed digital channel assignments						
Upper Namoi	Analog	ABUN	SBS	NBN	NEN	NRN	Unassigned	
	Digital	7	28	31	9	34	49	53
Tamworth	Analog	ABUN	SBS	NBN	NEN	NRN	Unassigned	
	Digital	55	52	61	58	64	66	68
Armidale	Analog	ABUN	SBS	NBN	NEN	NRN	Unassigned	
	Digital	33	30	39	-	42	44	47

Canberra								
Area served	Analog/Digital	Analog channel assignments/Proposed digital channel assignments						
Tuggeranong	Analog	ABC	SBS	CBN	CTC	WIN	Unassigned	
	Digital	60	54	69	63	66	53	56
Weston Creek/ Woden	Analog	ABC	SBS	CBN	CTC	WIN	Unassigned	
	Digital	55	58	64	67	61	53	56

