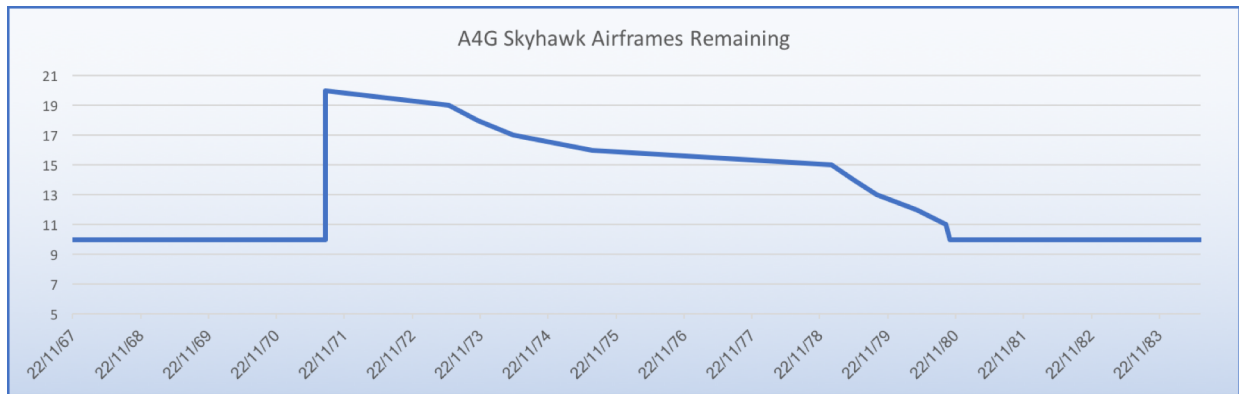


Royal Australian Navy A4G Skyhawk Attrition Statistics



The graph above shows the number of Skyhawks on the Navy's books over time, as accidents whittled their numbers away from their initial delivery (Nov67) to service withdrawal (Jun84).

Of note, none were lost until Sub Lieutenant Tony Der Kinderin suffered a turbine shroud failure in [873](#) on 5Jun73 (note by then we had 20 Skyhawks on the ORBAT as the second batch had been delivered).

Over the remaining ten years we lost a further nine, mostly though engine failures or deck malfunctions aboard Melbourne. The relatively short period between Jan '79 and Oct '80 was the most expensive, with no less than six Skyhawks lost.

The ten surviving airframes were sold to the RNZAF in July of 1984, of which eight survived – two for Museums (one either side of the Tasman), and six to [Draken International](#) to fly another day.

You can see a detailed history of every airframe [here](#), with links to articles on each aircraft, or you can get a quick synopsis via this pop-up [here](#).

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