# **Sitting times**

A sitting is when the Assembly meets. For more information, see: Order of Business and Sitting Calendar

Sitting time	9 – 11 August August 2022		2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
- Weeks	1	1	10	28
- Days	3	3	30	82
- Hours	19:51	19:51	197:09	539:53
- Average hours	06:37	06:37	06:34	06:35

### Bills

A bill is a draft Act – in other words, it is a proposal for a new law, or proposed amendments to an existing one. For more information, see: Parliament of WA - Progress of bills

TOTALS	9 – 11 August	August 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Bills introduced:	<u>.</u>			
- Total	1	1	17	71
- Initiated in the Assembly	1	1	15	67
- Initiated in the Council	0	0	2	4
- Government bills	1	1	17	71
- Private members' bills	0	0	0	0
Bills dealt with:				
- Passed by the Assembly	2	2	21	63
- Negatived	0	0	0	0
- Withdrawn	0	0	0	0
- Referred to a committee	0	0	0	0
Bills amended:				
- Amended by the Assembly	0	0	3	7
- Amendments by the Council agreed to	0	0	1	2

Bill title	Introduced	Passed by Assembly	Negatived	Withdrawn	Referred to a Committee	Amended by Assembly	Amendments by Council agreed to
Mining Amendment Bill 2022	10 Aug 2022						
Bush Fires Amendment Bill 2022		10 Aug 2022					
Casino Legislation Amendment (Burswood Casino) Bill 2022		11 Aug 2022					
TOTAL	1	2	0	0	0	0	0

<sup>\*</sup>Red text indicates bill initiated in the Legislative Council

# **Suspensions of Standing Orders**

A motion to suspend Standing or Temporary Orders can be moved to enable action to be taken that would otherwise not be possible under the Standing Orders.

TOTALS	9 – 11 August August 2022		2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Government motions moved to suspend Standing Orders	0	0	8	19
Number of Opposition/Independent motions moved to suspend Standing Orders	0	0	2	9

Subject	Moved	Agreed	Negatived	Amended			
Government							
Opposition/Independent							
TOTAL	0	0	0	0			

<sup>\*</sup>Purple text indicates Suspension of Standing Orders with notice given

## **Motions**

A motion is any proposal made to form a decision of the Assembly.

TOTALS	9 – 11 August	August 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
- Moved	3	3	23	66
- Agreed to	2	2	11	30
- Negatived	0	0	2	8
- Adjourned	1	1	10	29
- Amended	0	0	0	2

Motion subject	Moved	Agreed	Negatived	Adjourned	Amended		
Business of the Assembly							
Government motions							
Vacancy in the Electoral District of North West Central	9 Aug 2022	9 Aug 2022					
Restoration of Bill – Animal Welfare and Trespass Legislation Amendment Bill 2021	10 Aug 2022	10 Aug 2022					
Private members' motions							
Key Ministerial Portfolios	10 Aug 2022			10 Aug 2022			
TOTAL	3	2	0	1	0		

## **Matters of Public Interest**

A type of motion moved (usually by the Opposition) relating a topic of public interest. There can only be one matter discussed per week (see Standing Order 145).

TOTALS	9 – 11 August	August 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Matters of Public Interest moved	1	1	9	24

Title	Moved	Agreed	Negatived	Adjourned	Amended
Role of the Attorney General	9 Aug 2022		9 Aug 2022		
TOTAL	1	0	1	0	0

# Questions

A question can be either 'without notice' (when asked during Question Time), or 'on notice' (a written question which is published in the Question Booklet and subsequently answered).

TOTALS	9 – 11 August	August 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Questions without notice (Question Time):				
Government	14	14	147	405
Opposition/Independent	37	37	344	946
TOTAL	51	51	491	1351
Questions on notice:				
Government	0	0	0	0
Opposition/Independent	14	14	202	554
TOTAL	14	14	202	554

To access details on questions and answers, and for further information, see:

Parliament of WA - Legislative Assembly Questions & Answers

### **Divisions**

A division is a vote of the Assembly where members indicate whether they are in favour or against the question before the House.

TOTALS	9 – 11 August	August 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of divisions	1	1	19	62

Business type – subject	Date	Cou	Result	
business type – subject	Date	Ayes	Noes	Result
Matter of Public Interest – Role of the Attorney General	9 Aug 2022	5	44	Negatived
TOTAL			1	

## **Tabled Papers**

Tabled papers are any documents that are presented to Parliament, such as reports of departments and agencies and subsidiary legislation (legislation made under the authority of an Act of Parliament, not directly as an Act of Parliament). The term 'tabled' literally means that the document has been laid on the Table in the Chamber, but in practice it means that it is published and is publicly available.

TOTALS	9 – 11 August	August 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of papers tabled	88	88	479	1325

For further details on tabled papers and to access electronic copies, see:

Parliament of WA - Assembly Tabled Papers

#### **Petitions**

Petitions are formal requests by citizens for the Assembly to take specific action regarding a topic of their concern. Petitions are presented to the House by members, and must comply with the relevant Standing Orders (64-67).

TOTALS	9 – 11 August	August 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of petitions presented	0	0	8	31

Subject	Petition number	Date presented	Presenting member	Number of signatures
TOTAL			)	

For further information on presenting petitions, see:

Parliament of WA - Preparing a petition for the Legislative Assembly

For information on petitions presented, see:

Parliament of WA - Petitions

### **Committee-related business**

Committees are appointed by the Assembly (or by both the Assembly and the Council) to conduct inquiries relating to specific matters of policy and governance. There are different types of committees: Standing (formed for the life of the Parliament), Select (usually created for a specific purpose when the need arises), and Joint (report to both Houses). For more information, see: Parliament of WA - About committees

Committee inquiries launched	9 – 11 August	August 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Committee inquiries initiated	0	0	3	6
Number of Committee inquiries referred by the Assembly	0	0	1	2

Committee inquiry subject	Committee name	Date announced in the Assembly	Date initiated	Date report due
TOTAL	0			
Assembly-referred inquiry subject	Committee name	Date referred by the Assembly	Date report due	
TOTAL		0		

Committee reports tabled	9 – 11 August	August 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Committee reports tabled in the Assembly	0	0	12	26

Report title	Committee name	Date tabled
TOTAL		)

Government responses to Committee recommendations	9 – 11 August	August 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of responses received from Ministers	1	1	3	7

Title of Committee report	Committee name	Minister responding	Date received
Report No. 5 – Police Power of Arrest: Parliamentary Inspector's Report	JSCCCC	Minister for Police	9 Aug 2022
TOTAL	1		

Assembly members currently sit on the following committees:

- Standing Committees: Procedure and Privileges Committee (PPC), Public Accounts Committee (PAC), Community Development and Justice Standing Committee (CDJSC), Education and Health Standing Committee (EHSC), and Economics and Industry Standing Committee (EISC)
- Joint Standing Committees: on the Corruption and Crime Commission (JSCCCC), on the Commissioner for Children and Young People (JSCCCYP), on Delegated Legislation (Del. Leg.), and the Joint Audit Committee (Audit)