



Legislative Assembly Statistical Summary

41st Parliament 18 – 20 October 2022

Sitting times

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

Sitting time	18 – 20 Oct 2022	October 2022 ²	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
- Weeks	1	1	14	32
- Days	3	3	39	91
- Hours	18:28	18:28	252:30	595:14
- Average hours	06:09	06:09	06:28	06:32

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	18 – 20 Oct 2022	October 2022 ²	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Bills introduced:				
- Total	2	2	28	82
- Initiated in the Assembly	2	2	25	77
- Initiated in the Council	0	0	3	5
- Government bills	2	2	28	82
- Private members' bills	0	0	0	0
Bills dealt with:				
- Passed by the Assembly	3	3	30	72
- 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- Withdrawn	0	0	0	0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	4	8
- 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Bill title	Introduced	Passed by Assembly	Negatived	Withdrawn	Referred to a Committee	Amended by Assembly	Amendments by Council agreed to
Land Tax Assessment Amendment Bill 2022		18 Oct 2022					
Auditor General Amendment Bill 2022	19 Oct 2022						
Swan and Canning Rivers Management Amendment Bill 2022	19 Oct 2022						
Government Railways Amendment Bill 2021		19 Oct 2022					
Fair Trading Amendment Bill 2021		20 Oct 2022					
TOTAL	2	3	0	0	0	0	0

*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	18 – 20 Oct 2022	October 2022 ²	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Government motions moved to suspend Standing Orders	0	0	10	21
Number of Opposition/Independent motions moved to suspend Standing Orders	1	1	3	10

Subject	Moved	Agreed	Negatived	Amended
Government				
Opposition/Independent				
To enable the following motion to be moved forthwith – Nurses and Midwives Wage Negotiations	18 Oct 2022	18 Oct 2022		18 Oct 2022
TOTAL	1	1	0	1

*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	18 – 20 Oct 2022	October 2022 ²	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
- Moved	3	3	31	74
- Agreed to	1	1	15	34
- Negatived	1	1	3	9
- Adjourned	1	1	13	32
- Amended	0	0	0	2

Motion subject	Moved	Agreed	Negatived	Adjourned	Amended
Business of the Assembly					
Economics and Industry Standing Committee – Appointment of Member	20 Oct 2022	20 Oct 2022			
Government motions					
Private members' motions					
Nurses and Midwives Wage Negotiations	18 Oct 2022		18 Oct 2022		
Western Australia's Energy Network	19 Oct 2022			19 Oct 2022	
TOTAL	3	1	1	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	18 – 20 Oct 2022	October 2022 ⁷	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Matters of Public Interest moved	1	1	11	26

Title	Moved	Agreed	Negatived	Adjourned	Amended
Review of Demersal Scalefish Policy	18 Oct 2022	18 Oct 2022			18 Oct 2022
TOTAL	1	1	0	0	1

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	18 – 20 Oct 2022	October 2022 ⁷	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Questions without notice (Question Time):				
Government	16	16	188	446
Opposition/Independent	36	36	439	1041
TOTAL	52	52	627	1487
Questions on notice:				
Government	0	0	0	0
Opposition/Independent	36	36	240	592
TOTAL	36	36	240	592

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	18 – 20 Oct 2022	October 2022 ⁷	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of divisions	3	3	26	69

Business type – subject	Date	Count:		Result
		Ayes	Noes	
Motion – Nurses and Midwives Wage Negotiations	18 Oct 2022	6	43	Negatived
Matter of Public Interest – Amendment: That the words to be deleted, be deleted	18 Oct 2022	43	6	Agreed
Matter of Public Interest – Amendment: That the motion as amended, be agreed to	18 Oct 2022	43	6	Agreed
TOTAL		3		

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	18 – 20 Oct 2022	October 2022 ²	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of papers tabled	82	82	754	1600

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	18 – 20 Oct 2022	October 2022 ²	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of petitions presented	2	2	11	34

Subject	Petition number	Date presented	Presenting member	Number of signatures
Dongara-Geraldton Bypass	33	18 Oct 2022	Mr R.S. Love	1141
Esperance Senior High School Campus	34	19 Oct 2022	Mr P.J. Rundle	296
TOTAL				2

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	18 – 20 Oct 2022	October 2022 ²	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	18 – 20 Oct 2022	October 2022 ²	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Committee reports tabled in the Assembly	5	5	18	32

Report title	Committee name	Date tabled
Report 4 – Annual Report 2021-2022	JSCCCYP	20 Oct 2022
Report 7 – Annual Report 2021-2022	PAC	20 Oct 2022
Report 4 – Annual Report 2021-2022	EISC	20 Oct 2022
Report 3 – Annual Report 2021-22	CDJSC	20 Oct 2022
Report 3 – Annual Report 2021-22	EHSC	20 Oct 2022
TOTAL	5	

Government responses to Committee recommendations	18 – 20 Oct 2022	October 2022 ²	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Government responses received	1	1	5	9

Title of Committee report	Committee name	Minister responding	Date received
Report 2 – Making Hope Practical: Report of the inquiry into the response of Western Australian schools to climate change	EHSC	Treasurer (whole of govt. response)	18 Oct 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 (JSCCC), on the Commissioner for Children and Young People (JSCCCYP), on Delegated Legislation (Del. Leg.), and the Joint Audit Committee (Audit)