Sitting times

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

Sitting time	22 – 24 Nov 2022	November 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
- Weeks	1	2	17	35
- Days	3	6	48	100
- Hours	18:27	37:58	308:38	651:22
- Average hours	06:09	06:19	06:25	06:30

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	22 – 24 Nov 2022	November 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Bills introduced:	·			
- Total	3	3	33	87
- Initiated in the Assembly	2	2	29	81
- Initiated in the Council	1	1	4	6
- Government bills	3	3	33	87
- Private members' bills	0	0	0	0
Bills dealt with:				
- Passed by the Assembly	2	5	38	80
- Negatived	0	0	0	0
- Withdrawn	0	0	0	0
- Referred to a committee	0	0	0	0
Bills amended:				
- Amended by the Assembly	1	1	5	9
- Amendments by the Council agreed to	0	0	2	3

Bill title	Introduced	Passed by Assembly	Negatived	Withdrawn	Referred to a Committee	Amended by Assembly	Amendments by Council agreed to
Directors' Liability Reform Bill 2022		23 Nov 2022				22 Nov 2022	
Land and Public Works Legislation Amendment Bill 2022	23 Nov 2022						
Swan and Canning Rivers Management Amendment Bill 2022		23 Nov 2022					
Government Trading Enterprises Bill 2022	24 Nov 2022						
Statutes (Repeals and Minor Amendments) Bill 2021	24 Nov 2022						
TOTAL	3	2	0	0	0	1	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	22 – 24 Nov 2022	November 2022	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	4	11

Subject	Moved	Agreed	Negatived	Amended			
Government							
Opposition/Independent							
To enable the following motion to be moved forthwith – Youth Justice System	22 Nov 2022	22 Nov 2022		22 Nov 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	22 – 24 Nov 2022	November 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
- Moved	2	4	36	79
- Agreed to	0	0	15	34
- Negatived	1	1	4	10
- Adjourned	1	3	17	36
- Amended	0	0	0	2

Motion subject	Moved	Agreed	Negatived	Adjourned	Amended
Business of the Assembly					
Government motions					
Private members' motions					
Youth Justice System	22 Nov 2022		22 Nov 2022		
Management of the Health System in Western Australia	23 Nov 2022			23 Nov 2022	
TOTAL	2	0	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	22 – 24 Nov 2022	November 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Matters of Public Interest moved	1	2	14	29

Title	Moved	Agreed	Negatived	Adjourned	Amended
Gold Corporation Governance	22 Nov 2022		22 Nov 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	22 – 24 Nov 2022	November 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Questions without notice (Question Time):				
Government	16	31	236	494
Opposition/Independent	36	72	546	1148
TOTAL	52	103	782	1642
Questions on notice:				
Government	0	0	0	0
Opposition/Independent	0	19	277	629
TOTAL	0	19	277	629

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	22 – 24 Nov 2022	November 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of divisions	2	4	31	74

Business type – subject	Data	Cor	Dogula	
	Date	Ayes	Noes	Result
Motion – Youth Justice System	22 Nov 2022	6	47	Negatived
Matter of Public Interest – Gold Corporation Governance	22 Nov 2022	6	44	Negatived
TOTAL			2	

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	22 – 24 Nov 2022	November 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date	
Number of papers tabled	25	91	865	1711	

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	22 – 24 Nov 2022	November 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of petitions presented	1	1	13	36

Subject	Petition number	Date presented	Presenting member	Number of signatures	
Stop Waterbird Entanglements With Fishhooks and Fishing Line	36	23 Nov 2022	Mr D.A.E. Scaife	440	
TOTAL	AL 1				

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	22 – 24 Nov 2022	24 Nov 2022 November 2022		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	AL 0			
Assembly-referred inquiry subject	Committee name	Date referred by the Assembly	Date report due	
TOTAL	0			

Committee reports tabled	22 – 24 Nov 2022	November 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Committee reports tabled in the Assembly	0	0	18	32

Report title	Committee name	Date tabled
TOTAL)

Government responses to Committee recommendations	22 – 24 Nov 2022	November 2022	2022 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Government responses received	0	0	5	9

Title of Committee report	·	Committee name	Minister responding	Date received
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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)