Sitting times

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

Sitting time	14 – 16 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
- Weeks	1	1	3	39
- Days	3	3	9	112
- Hours	18:20	18:20	56:47	727:04
- Average hours	06:06	06:06	06:18	06:29

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	14 – 16 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Bills introduced:	<u>.</u>			
- Total	0	0	6	95
- Initiated in the Assembly	0	0	6	89
- Initiated in the Council	0	0	0	6
- Government bills	0	0	6	95
- Private members' bills	0	0	0	0
Bills dealt with:				
- Bill dealt with urgently under Standing Order 168	0	0	0	5
- Passed by the Assembly	2	2	4	87
- Negatived	0	0	0	0
- Withdrawn	0	0	0	0
Bills amended:				
- Amended by the Assembly	0	0	0	9
- Amendments by the Council agreed to	0	0	0	4

Bill title	Introduced	Urgent Bill (SO 168)	Passed by Assembly	Negatived	Withdrawn	Amended by Assembly	Amendments by Council agreed to
Major Events Bill 2023			15 Mar 2023				
Treasurer's Advance Authorisation Bill 2023			16 Mar 2023				
TOTAL	0	0	2	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	1	4 – 16 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Government suspensions	·				
- Notice given		0	0	0	12
- No notice given		0	0	1	12
- Moved		0	0	1	24
- Amended		0	0	0	0
- Agreed to		0	0	1	24
- Negatived		0	0	0	0
Opposition/Independent suspensions					
- Notice given		0	0	0	0
- No notice given		0	0	0	11
- Moved		0	0	0	11
- Amended		0	0	0	11
- Agreed to		0	0	0	11
- Negatived		0	0	0	0

Subject	Notice given	No notice given	Moved	Amended	Agreed	Negatived		
Government suspensions								
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Opposition/Independent suspensions								
TOTAL	0	0	0	0	0	0		

Motions

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

TOTALS	14 – 16 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
- Moved	1	1	3	85
- Amended	0	0	0	2
- Adjourned	1	1	2	39
- Agreed to	0	0	1	37
- Negatived	0	0	0	10

Motion subject	Moved	Amended	Adjourned	Agreed	Negatived
Business of the Assembly					
Government motions					
Private members' motions					
Western Australia's Health System	15 Mar 2023		15 Mar 2023		
TOTAL	1	0	1	0	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	14 – 16 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Matters of Public Interest moved	1	1	2	32

Title	Moved	Amended	Adjourned	Agreed	Negatived
Gold Corporation Governance	14 Mar 2023				14 Mar 2023
TOTAL	1	0	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	14 – 16 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Questions without notice (Question Time):				
Government	35	35	65	574
Opposition/Independent	15	15	85	1269
TOTAL	50	50	150	1843
Questions on notice:				
Government	0	0	0	0
Opposition/Independent	6	6	38	701
TOTAL	6	6	38	701

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	14 – 16 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of divisions	1	1	6	81

Business type – subject	Date	Cou	Result	
business type – subject	Date	Ayes	Noes	Result
Matter of Public Interest – Gold Corporation Governance	14 Mar 2023	6	46	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	14 – 16 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of papers tabled	28	28	120	1862

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	14 – 16 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of petitions presented	0	0	1	38

Subject	Petition number Date	Date presented	Presenting member	Number of signatures
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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	14 – 16 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Committee inquiries initiated	0	0	0	6
Number of Committee inquiries referred by the Assembly	0	0	0	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	14 – 16 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Committee reports tabled in the Assembly	0	0	0	34

Report title	Committee name	Date tabled
TOTAL	()

Government responses to Committee recommendations	14 – 16 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Government responses received	1	1	2	11

Title of Committee report	Committee name	Government Response	Date received
Report 4 – Report of the Inquiry into the Esther Foundation and unregulated private health facilities	EHSC	State Government	14 Mar 2023
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)