

Legislative Assembly Statistical Summary

41st Parliament 28 – 30 March 2023

Sitting times

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

Sitting time	21 – 23 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
- Weeks	1	3	5	41
- Days	3	9	15	118
- Hours	19:35	56:32	94:59	765:16
- Average hours	06:31	06:16	06:19	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	28 – 30 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Bills introduced:				
- Total	3	4	10	99
- Initiated in the Assembly	2	2	8	91
- Initiated in the Council	1	2	2	8
- Government bills	3	4	10	99
- 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	1	5	7	90
- 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- Withdrawn	0	0	0	0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	1	1	1	5

Bill title	Introduced	Urgent Bill (SO 168)	Passed by Assembly	Negatived	Withdrawn	Amended by Assembly	Amendments by Council agreed to
Criminal Investigation Amendment (Validation) Bill 2023	28 Mar 2023		28 Mar 2023				
Nickel (Agnew) Agreement Amendment Bill 2023	28 Mar 2023						
Directors' Liability Reform Bill 2022							28 Mar 2023
Misuse of Drugs Amendment Bill 2023	29 Mar 2023						
TOTAL	3	0	1	0	0	0	1

^{*}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	28 – 30 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Government suspensions				
- Notice given	0	0	0	12
- No notice given	1	1	2	13
- Moved	1	1	2	25
- Amended	0	0	0	0
- Agreed to	1	1	2	25
- Negatived	0	0	0	0
Opposition/Independent suspensions				
- Notice given	0	0	0	0
- No notice given	1	2	2	13
- Moved	1	2	2	13
- Amended	1	2	2	13
- Agreed to	1	2	2	13
- Negatived	0	0	0	0

Subject	Notice given	No notice given	Moved	Amended	Agreed	Negatived		
Government suspensions								
Criminal Investigation Amendment (Validation) Bill 2023 – To proceed through all stages		1	28 Mar 2023		28 Mar 2023			
without delay		1	26 IVIdi 2025		20 IVId1 2025			
TOTAL	0	1	1	0	1	0		
Opposition/Independent suspensions								
To enable the following motion to be moved forthwith – Minister for Health	•	1	30 Mar 2023	30 Mar 2023	30 Mar 2023			
TOTAL	0	1	1	1	1	0		

Motions

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

TOTALS	28 – 30 Ma	rch March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
- Moved	2	6	8	90
- Amended	1	1	1	3
- Adjourned	1	3	4	41
- Agreed to	1	2	3	39
- Negatived	0	1	1	11

Motion subject	Moved	Amended	Adjourned	Agreed	Negatived
Business of the Assembly					
Government motions					
Private members' motions					
Cost of Living Pressures on West Australian Households	29 Mar 2023		29 Mar 2023		
Minister for Health	30 Mar 2023	30 Mar 2023		30 Mar 2023	
TOTAL	2	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	28 – 30 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Matters of Public Interest moved	1	3	4	34

Title	Moved	Amended	Adjourned	Agreed	Negatived
WA Police Morale	30 Mar 2023				30 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	28 – 30 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Questions without notice (Question Time):				
Government	15	65	95	604
Opposition/Independent	36	86	156	1340
TOTAL	51	151	251	1944
Questions on notice:				
Government	0	0	0	0
Opposition/Independent	12	27	59	722
TOTAL	12	27	59	722

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	28 – 30 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of divisions	3	6	11	86

Business type – subject	Date	Cou	Result	
	Date	Ayes	Noes	Result
Motion – Minister for Health – Amendment: That the words to be deleted, be deleted	30 Mar 2023	46	5	Agreed
Motion – Minister for Health – Amendment: That the motion as amended, be agreed to	30 Mar 2023	45	5	Agreed
Matter of Public Interest – WA Police Morale	30 Mar 2023	6	36	Negatived
TOTAL 3			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	28 – 30 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of papers tabled	23	63	155	1897

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	28 – 30 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of petitions presented	2	2	3	40

Subject	Petition number	Date presented	Presenting member	Number of signatures
Peel Health Campus Breast Assessment Clinic	39	29 Mar 2023	Mrs L.A. Munday	801
Live Export Sector	40	30 Mar 2023	Mr P.J. Rundle	541
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	28 – 30 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	28 – 30 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Committee reports tabled in the Assembly	3	4	4	38

Report title	Committee name	Date tabled
Report 8 – Unlawful Detention in Public Hospitals: Parliamentary Inspector's Report	JSCCCC	30 Mar 2023
Report 9 – A Need for Clarity: Parliamentary Inspector's report: Can the Corruption and Crime Commission decline to form an opinion that serious misconduct has occurred despite the definition being met?	JSCCCC	30 Mar 2023
Report 5 – Report Review 2022: Examination of selected reports by the Commissioner for Children and Young People	JSCCCYP	30 Mar 2023
TOTAL		3

Government responses to Committee recommendations	28 – 30 March	March 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Government responses received	0	1	2	11

Title of Committee report	Committee name	Government Response	Date received
TOTAL	0		

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)