



Legislative Assembly Statistical Summary

41st Parliament 29 – 31 August 2023

Sitting times

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

Sitting time	29 – 31 August	August 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
- Weeks	1	3	12	48
- Days	3	9	36	139
- Hours	19:24	56:17	229:55	900:12
- Average hours	06:28	06:15	06:23	06:28

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	29 – 31 August	August 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Bills introduced:				
- Total	3	8	30	119
- Initiated in the Assembly	3	8	25	108
- Initiated in the Council	0	0	5	11
- Government bills	3	8	30	119
- Private members' bills	0	0	0	0
Bills dealt with:				
- Bill dealt with urgently under Standing Order 168	0	0	2	7
- Passed by the Assembly	2	4	21	104
- Negatived	0	0	0	0
- Withdrawn	0	0	0	0
Bills amended:				
- Amended by the Assembly	0	0	3	12
- Amendments by the Council agreed to	0	0	2	6

Bill title	Introduced	Urgent Bill (SO 168)	Passed by Assembly	Negatived	Withdrawn	Amended by Assembly	Amendments by Council agreed to
Corruption, Crime and Misconduct Amendment Bill 2023			29 Aug 2023				
Criminal Investigation Amendment (Protection of Law Enforcement Animals) Bill 2023	30 Aug 2023						
Electricity Industry Amendment (Distributed Energy Resources) Bill 2023	30 Aug 2023						
Vocational Education and Training Amendment Bill 2023	30 Aug 2023						
Rail Safety National Law Application Bill 2023			31 Aug 2023				
TOTAL	3	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	29 – 31 August	August 2023	2023	41st Parliament
Government suspensions				
- Notice given	0	0	1	13
- No notice given	0	0	3	14
- Moved	0	0	4	27
- Amended	0	0	0	0
- Agreed to	0	0	4	27
- Negatived	0	0	0	0
Opposition/Independent suspensions				
- Notice given	0	0	0	0
- No notice given	0	0	3	14
- Moved	0	0	3	14
- Amended	0	0	3	14
- Agreed to	0	0	3	14
- 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	29 – 31 August	August 2023	2023	41st Parliament
- Moved	1	6	22	104
- Amended	0	0	1	3
- Adjourned	1	4	12	49
- Agreed to	0	2	8	44
- Negatived	0	0	2	12

	Moved	Amended	Adjourned	Agreed	Negatived
Business of the Assembly					
Government motions					
Private members' motions					
Workforce and Industries Skills Supply in Western Australia	30 Aug 2023		30 Aug 2023		
Other motions					
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	29 – 31 August	August 2023	2023	41st Parliament
Number of Matters of Public Interest moved	1	3	11	41

Title	Moved	Amended	Adjourned	Agreed	Negatived
Aboriginal Heritage Legislation Amendment and Repeal Bill 2023 Regulations	30 Aug 2023	30 Aug 2023		30 Aug 2023	
TOTAL	1	1	0	1	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	29 – 31 August	August 2023	2023	41st Parliament
Questions without notice (Question Time):				
Government	15	44	197	706
Opposition/Independent	36	107	398	1582
TOTAL	51	151	595	2288
Questions on notice:				
Government	0	0	0	0
Opposition/Independent	23	48	215	878
TOTAL	23	48	215	878

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	29 – 31 August	August 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of divisions	2	4	20	95

Business type – subject	Date	Count:		Result
		Ayes	Noes	
Corruption, Crime and Misconduct Amendment Bill 2023 – Clause 6, Amendments: That the amendments be agreed to	29 Aug 2023	5	42	Negatived
Corruption, Crime and Misconduct Amendment Bill 2023 – Third Reading	29 Aug 2023	5	42	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	29 – 31 August	August 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of papers tabled	19	155	464	2206

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	29 – 31 August	August 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of petitions presented	0	0	5	42

Subject	Petition number	Date presented	Presenting	Number of
TOTAL				0

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](#)

Committee inquiries launched	29 – 31 August	August 2023	2023 to date	41st Parliament to date
Number of Committee inquiries initiated	0	1	4	10
Number of Committee inquiries referred by the Assembly	0	0	0	2

Committee inquiry subject	Committee name	Date announced	Date
TOTAL	0		
Assembly-referred inquiry subject	Committee name	Date referred	Date
TOTAL	0		

Committee reports tabled	29 – 31 August	August 2023	2023	41st Parliament
Number of Committee reports tabled in the Assembly	0	1	7	41

Report title	Committee name	Date tabled
TOTAL	0	

Government responses to Committee recommendations	29 – 31 August	August 2023	2023	41st Parliament
Number of Government responses received	0	2	4	13

Title of Committee report	Committee name	Government	Date received
TOTAL	0		

- 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)