

History Notes: Women MPs in the 40th Parliament of Western Australia
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WA Labor's female members outside parliament house.

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Women Members in the Legislative Assembly

No	Name	Party	Electorate	Date Elected
1	Lisa Loraine Baker	ALP	Maylands	6 September 2008
2	Robyn Marjorie Jane Clarke	ALP	Murray-Wellington	11 March 2017
3	Mia Jane Davies*	Nat	Central Wheatbelt	9 March 2013
4	Josephine (Josie) Farrar	ALP	Kimberley	9 March 2013
5	Janine Marie Freeman	ALP	Mirrabooka	6 September 2008
6	Emily Louise Hamilton	ALP	Joondalup	11 March 2017
7	Liza Mary Harvey	Lib	Scarborough	6 September 2008
8	Simone Frances McGurk	ALP	Fremantle	9 March 2013
9	Elizabeth (Libby) Mettam	Lib	Vasse	18 October 2014
10	Lisa Margaret O'Malley	ALP	Bicton	11 March 2017
11	Margaret Mary Quirk	ALP	Girrawheen	10 February 2001
12	Michelle Hopkins Roberts	ALP	Midland	19 March 1994
13	Cassandra (Cassie) Michelle Rowe	ALP	Belmont	11 March 2017
14	Rita Saffioti	ALP	West Swan	6 September 2008
15	Amber-Jade Sanderson**	ALP	Morley	11 March 2017
16	Jessica Jane Shaw	ALP	Swan Hills	11 March 2017
17	Jessica Mary Christine Stojkovski	ALP	Kingsley	11 March 2017
18	Sabine Elisabeth Winton	ALP	Wanneroo	11 March 2017

* The Hon Mia Davies was also an MLC from 22 May 2009 to 21 February 2013.

**The Hon Amber-Jade Sanderson was also an MLC from 22 May 2013 to 5 February 2017.

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Women Members in the Legislative Council

No	Name	Party	Electorate	Date Elected
1	Jacqui Ellen Boydell	Nat	Mining and Pastoral	22 May 2013
2	Alanna Therese Clohesy	ALP	East Metropolitan	22 May 2013
3	Catherine (Kate) Esther Doust	ALP	South Metropolitan	22 May 2001
4	Suzanne (Sue) Mary Ellery	ALP	South Metropolitan	22 May 2001
5	Diane Marie Evers	GWA	South West	22 May 2017
6	Donna Evelyn Mary Faragher	Lib	East Metropolitan	22 May 2005
7	Adele Farina	ALP	South West	22 May 2001
8	Alannah Joan Geraldine MacTiernan*	ALP	North Metropolitan	22 May 2017
9	Samantha Helen Rowe	ALP	East Metropolitan	22 May 2013
10	Sally Elizabeth Talbot	ALP	South West	22 May 2005
11	Alison Xamon**	GWA	North Metropolitan	22 May 2017

* The Hon Alannah MacTiernan was MLC for the East Metropolitan Region from 22 May 1993 to 21 November 1996. Alannah was then MLA for Armadale (Legislative Assembly) from 14 December 1996 until 20 July 2010.

** The Hon Alison Xamon was MLC for the East Metropolitan Region from 22 May 2009 to 21 May 2013.

Women Members in the McGowan Ministry: 40th Parliament

Name	Portfolio
Suzanne (Sue) Mary Ellery	Minister for Education and Training
Simone Frances McGurk	Minister for Child Protection; Women's Interests; Prevention of Family and Domestic Violence; Community Services
Michelle Hopkins Roberts	Minister for Police; Road Safety
Rita Saffioti	Minister for Transport; Planning; Lands
Alannah Joan Geraldine MacTiernan	Minister for Regional Development; Agriculture and Food; Minister assisting the Minister for State Development, Jobs and Trade

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Total Number of Women Members in the 40th Parliament

House	ALP	Lib	GWA	Nat	Total Women	Total MPs	Percentage Women
Legislative Assembly	15	2	0	1	18	59	30.5%
Legislative Council	7	1	2	1	11	36	30.5%
Total	22	3	2	2	29	95	30.5%

Abbreviations

ALP	Australian Labor Party
GWA	GreensWA
Lib	Liberal Party
Nat	National Party of Australia (Nationals WA)

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