

Overview of Legislative Sessions Since 1980

Regular Sessions

Schedule length of regular sessions: 60 days in even years
105 days in odd years

Since regular annual sessions began in 1980, the shortest sessions occurred in 1986 and 2006, each being 59 days.

Special Sessions

Special Sessions	Count Since 1980	Average Length (days)	Minimum Number of Days	Maximum Number of Days
1st	24	18.4	1	30
2nd	15	8.7	1	30
3rd	7	4.6	1	13

In 2015, three special sessions totaled 73 days to make it Washington's longest one-year session of *176 days.

*The 2015 regular session lasted 103 days.