

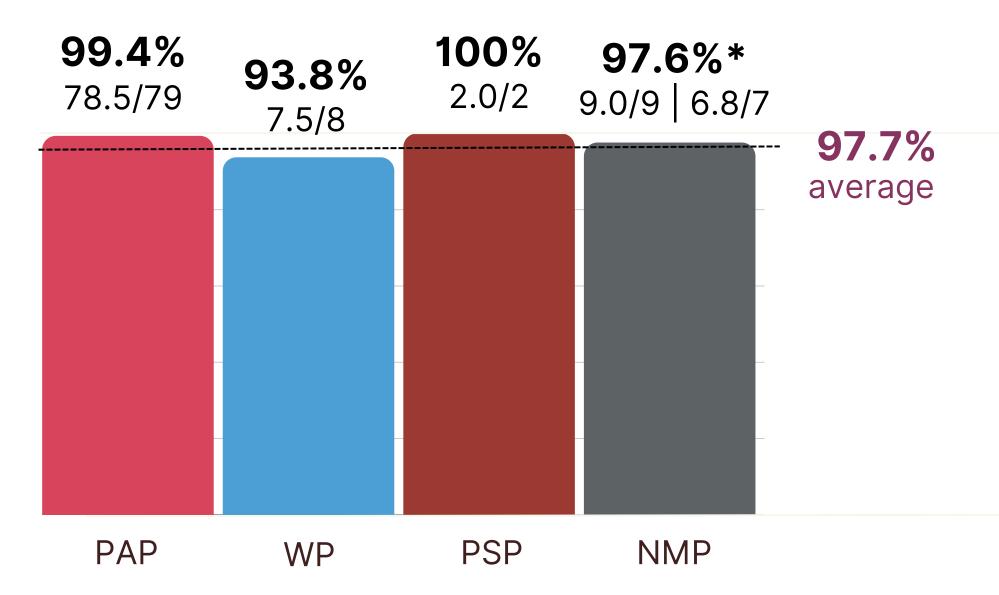
PARLIAMENT TRACKER

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Roll Call: How many MPs were present in this month's sittings?

MP Attendance by Party (%)



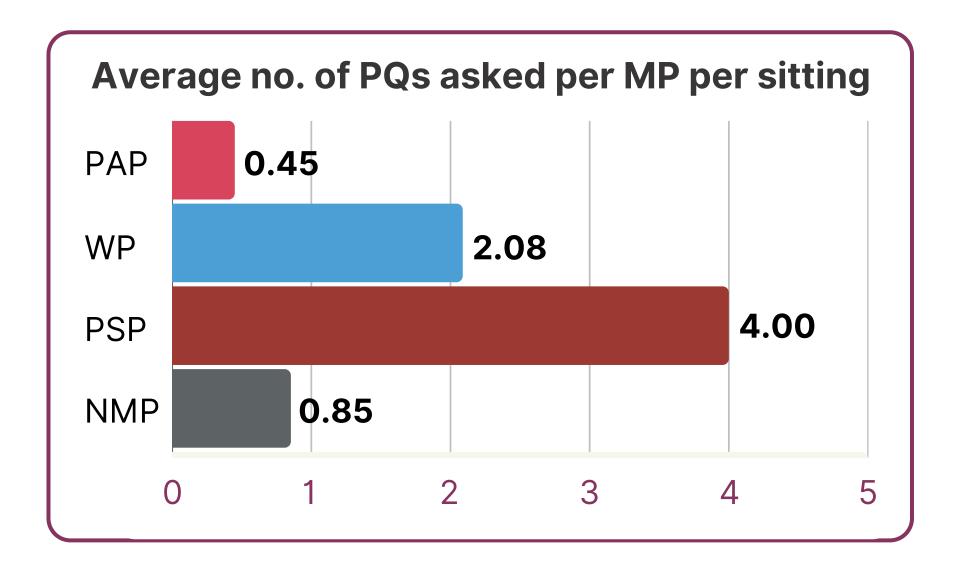


This chart shows average attendance across all sittings this month based on Parliamentary Reports. However, MPs present at roll call may not remain for the entire session.

* Raj Joshua Thomas and Syed Harun Taha Alhabsyi resigned from their NMP roles on Feb 14. Hence the total number of NMPs dropped from 9 to 7 for some sittings.

Participation: How active were MPs in asking Parliamentary Questions (PQs)?

596 Total no. of PQs asked

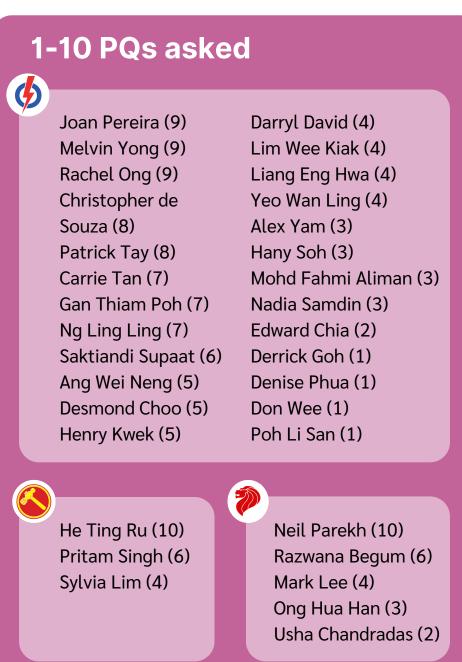


Each MP can ask a maximum of 5 PQs per sitting, of which up to 3 can be put up for oral answer.

Participation: A deeper look at individual MPs. Find yours below!

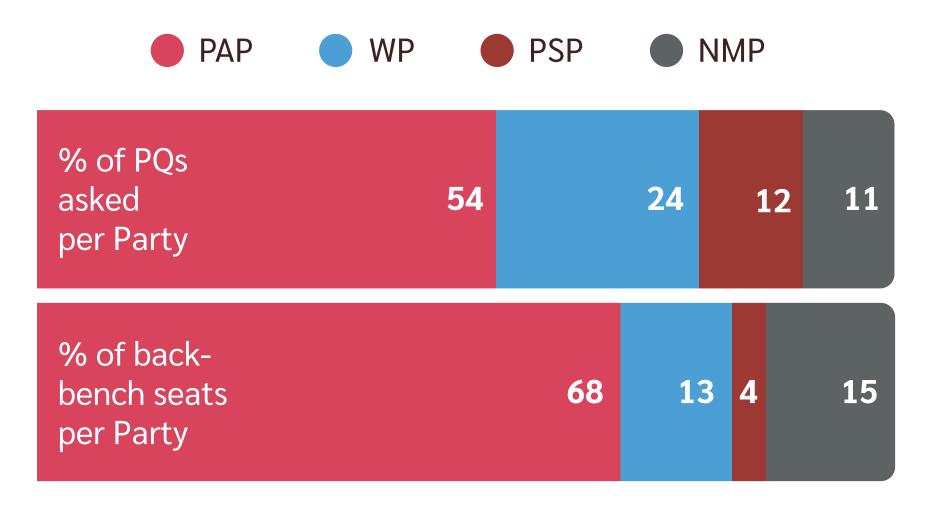








Participation: How does the % of PQs asked compare to the % of seat share in Parliament?*

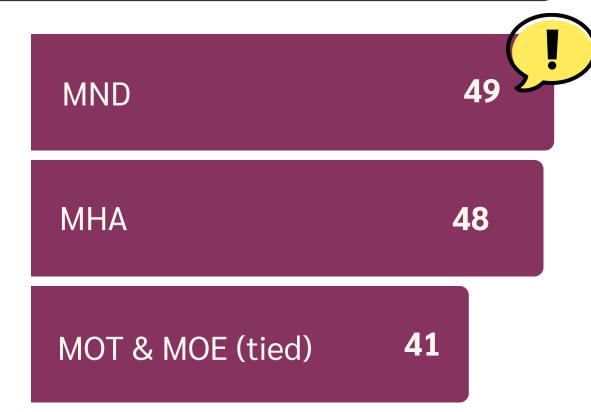


- Performance <u>above</u> seat share: **PSP (+5%), WP (+13%)**
- Performance <u>below</u> seat share: NMP (-5%), PAP (-12%)
 - Note that MPs with appointments (e.g. Ministerial roles) are excluded as they traditionally do not ask PQs.
 - * Raj Joshua Thomas and Syed Harun Taha Alhabsyi resigned from their NMP roles on Feb 14. Hence the comparison of % of PQs asked vs % of seat share is only a rough estimate.

Attention, please: Ministries that received the most PQs

Top 3 ministries which received the most PQs





MPs raised a variety of topics with MND, with two standing out. The first was HDB maintenance, including lift access issues, rain-related damages, heat-reflective paint, etc. The second was land allocation matters, where MPs questioned the proportion of land allocated to landed properties and the criteria for designation.

Going once, going twice: Bills debated by MPs

The second reading of a Bill is the first major opportunity for MPs to debate about it. The number of speakers can indicate the level of interest and engagement the Bill has generated among MPs.

Bills that were read a second time

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Maintenance of Racial Harmony Bill

Constitution of the Republic of Singapore (Amendment) Bill

The Maintenance of Racial Harmony Bill was the most hotly debated with 17 MPs speaking on it. The Bill consolidates race-related laws and introduces new measures, including a Community Remedial Initiative (CRI) for offend-ers to make amends, a Restraining Order regime to curb harmful content, and safeguards against foreign influence in race-based entities.

MPs raised concerns about:

- Ambiguity in defining racial offences and potential over-reach.
- Balancing racial harmony and free speech, particularly in social discourse.
- Effectiveness of the CRI in fostering genuine reconciliation.
- Impact of foreign influence safeguards on cultural organisations.

Overall, some MPs saw it as a vital safeguard, while others urged greater clarity to prevent unintended consequences.



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