



Historical Tables of the Iowa Legislature

# Regular and Extraordinary Sessions

## 1838 – 2019

Information updated through the 2019 Regular Session.

In **Assembly** column, “LA” means Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Iowa.  
“(1)” means First Regular Session and “(2)” means Second Regular Session of a General Assembly.  
“X” means First Extraordinary Session; “XX” means Second Extraordinary Session.

Legislative Assemblies 1 through 3 convened in Burlington and 4 through 8 convened in Iowa City.  
General Assemblies 1 through 6 convened in Iowa City and all subsequent convened in Des Moines.

Annual legislative sessions commenced with the 63rd General Assembly pursuant to the adoption, in 1968, of the 24th Amendment to the Iowa Constitution.

Dates in **Adjourned** column reflect day of adjournment as recorded in Senate and House Journals.

<b>Assembly</b>	<b>Convened</b>	<b>Adjourned</b>	<b>Session Length (Calendar Days)</b>
LA1	November 12, 1838	January 25, 1839	75
LA2	November 4, 1839	January 17, 1840	75
LA2X	July 13, 1840	August 1, 1840	20
LA3	November 2, 1840	January 15, 1841	75
LA4	December 6, 1841	February 18, 1842	75
LA5	December 5, 1842	February 17, 1843	75
LA6	December 4, 1843	February 16, 1844	75
LA6X	June 17, 1844	June 19, 1844	3
LA7	May 5, 1845	June 11, 1845	38
LA8	December 1, 1845	January 19, 1846	50
1	November 30, 1846	February 25, 1847	88

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1X	January 3, 1848	January 25, 1848	23
2	December 4, 1848	January 15, 1849	43
3	December 2, 1850	February 5, 1851	66
4	December 6, 1852	January 24, 1853	50
5	December 4, 1854	January 25, 1855	53
5X	July 2, 1856	July 15, 1856	14
6	December 1, 1856	January 29, 1857	60
7	January 11, 1858	March 23, 1858	72
8	January 9, 1860	April 3, 1860	86
8X	May 15, 1861	May 29, 1861	15
9	January 13, 1862	April 8, 1862	86
9X	September 3, 1862	September 11, 1862	9
10	January 11, 1864	March 29, 1864	79
11	January 8, 1866	April 3, 1866	86
12	January 13, 1868	April 8, 1868	87
13	January 10, 1870	April 13, 1870	94
14	January 8, 1872	April 23, 1872	107
14X	January 15, 1873	February 20, 1873	37
15	January 12, 1874	March 19, 1874	67
16	January 10, 1876	March 16, 1876	67
17	January 14, 1878	March 26, 1878	72
18	January 12, 1880	March 27, 1880	76
19	January 9, 1882	March 17, 1882	68
20	January 14, 1884	April 2, 1884	80
21	January 11, 1886	April 13, 1886	93
22	January 9, 1888	April 10, 1888	93
23	January 13, 1890	April 15, 1890	93
24	January 11, 1892	March 30, 1892	80
25	January 8, 1894	April 6, 1894	89
26	January 13, 1896	April 11, 1896	90
26X	January 19, 1897	July 2, 1897	165
27	January 10, 1898	April 1, 1898	82

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28	January 8, 1900	April 6, 1900	89
29	January 13, 1902	April 11, 1902	89
30	January 11, 1904	April 12, 1904	93
31	January 8, 1906	April 6, 1906	89
32	January 14, 1907	April 9, 1907	86
32X	August 31, 1908	November 24, 1908	86
33	January 11, 1909	April 9, 1909	89
34	January 9, 1911	April 12, 1911	94
35	January 13, 1913	April 19, 1913	97
36	January 11, 1915	April 17, 1915	97
37	January 8, 1917	April 14, 1917	97
38	January 13, 1919	April 19, 1919	97
38X	July 2, 1919	July 2, 1919	1
39	January 10, 1921	April 8, 1921	89
40	January 8, 1923	April 17, 1923	100
40X	December 4, 1923	July 30, 1924	240
41	January 12, 1925	April 3, 1925	82
42	January 10, 1927	April 15, 1927	96
42X	March 5, 1928	March 14, 1928	10
43	January 14, 1929	April 12, 1929	89
44	January 12, 1931	April 15, 1931	94
45	January 9, 1933	April 20, 1933	102
45X	November 6, 1933	March 12, 1934	127
46	January 14, 1935	April 23, 1935	100
46X	December 21, 1936	December 24, 1936	4
47	January 11, 1937	April 20, 1937	100
48	January 9, 1939	April 26, 1939	108
49	January 13, 1941	April 10, 1941	88
50	January 11, 1943	April 8, 1943	88
50X	January 26, 1944	January 28, 1944	3
51	January 8, 1945	April 12, 1945	95
52	January 13, 1947	April 25, 1947	103

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52X	December 16, 1947	December 19, 1947	4
53	January 10, 1949	April 20, 1949	101
54	January 8, 1951	April 17, 1951	100
55	January 12, 1953	April 29, 1953	108
56	January 10, 1955	April 29, 1955	110
57	January 14, 1957	May 3, 1957	110
58	January 12, 1959	May 7, 1959	116
59	January 9, 1961	May 6, 1961	118
60	January 14, 1963	May 18, 1963	125
60X	February 24, 1964	April 8, 1964	45
61	January 11, 1965	June 4, 1965	145
62	January 9, 1967	July 2, 1967	175
63(1)	January 13, 1969	May 23, 1969	131
63(2)	January 12, 1970	April 16, 1970	95
64(1)	January 11, 1971	June 19, 1971	160
64(2)	January 10, 1972	March 24, 1972	75
65(1)	January 8, 1973	June 24, 1973	168
65(2)	January 14, 1974	May 4, 1974	111
66(1)	January 13, 1975	June 20, 1975	159
66(2)	January 12, 1976	May 29, 1976	139
67(1)	January 10, 1977	June 13, 1977	155
67(1)X	June 21, 1977	June 25, 1977	5
67(2)	January 9, 1978	July 16, 1978	189
68(1)	January 8, 1979	May 11, 1979	124
68(2)	January 14, 1980	April 26, 1980	104
69(1)	January 12, 1981	May 22, 1981	131
69(1)X	June 24, 1981	June 26, 1981	3
69(1)XX	August 12, 1981	August 14, 1981	3
69(2)	January 11, 1982	April 24, 1982	104
70(1)	January 10, 1983	May 14, 1983	125
70(2)	January 9, 1984	April 20, 1984	103
71(1)	January 14, 1985	May 4, 1985	111

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71(2)	January 13, 1986	May 2, 1986	110
72(1)	January 12, 1987	May 10, 1987	119
72(1)X	May 21, 1987	June 6, 1987	17
72(1)XX	October 27, 1987	October 27, 1987	1
72(2)	January 11, 1988	April 17, 1988	98
73(1)	January 9, 1989	May 7, 1989	119
73(2)	January 8, 1990	April 8, 1990	91
74(1)	January 14, 1991	May 12, 1991	119
74(2)	January 13, 1992	May 4, 1992	113
74(2)X	May 20, 1992	May 22, 1992	3
74(2)XX	June 25, 1992	June 25, 1992	1
75(1)	January 11, 1993	May 2, 1993	112
75(2)	January 10, 1994	April 20, 1994	101
76(1)	January 9, 1995	May 4, 1995	116
76(2)	January 8, 1996	May 1, 1996	115
77(1)	January 13, 1997	April 29, 1997	107
77(2)	January 12, 1998	April 22, 1998	101
78(1)	January 11, 1999	April 29, 1999	109
78(2)	January 10, 2000	April 26, 2000	108
79(1)	January 8, 2001	May 8, 2001	121
79(1)X	June 19, 2001	June 19, 2001	1
79(1)XX	November 8, 2001	November 8, 2001	1
79(2)	January 14, 2002	April 12, 2002	89
79(2)X	April 22, 2002	April 22, 2002	1
79(2)XX	May 28, 2002	May 28, 2002	1
80(1)	January 13, 2003	May 1, 2003	109
80(1)X	May 29, 2003	June 4, 2003	7
80(2)	January 12, 2004	April 20, 2004	100
80(2)X	September 7, 2004	September 7, 2004	1
81(1)	January 10, 2005	May 20, 2005	131
81(2)	January 9, 2006	May 3, 2006	115
81(2)X	July 14, 2006	July 14, 2006	1

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82(1)	January 8, 2007	April 28, 2007	111
82(2)	January 14, 2008	April 26, 2008	104
83(1)	January 12, 2009	April 26, 2009	105
83(2)	January 11, 2010	March 30, 2010	79
84(1)	January 10, 2011	June 30, 2011	172
84(2)	January 9, 2012	May 9, 2012	122
85(1)	January 14, 2013	May 23, 2013	130
85(2)	January 13, 2014	May 2, 2014	110
86(1)	January 12, 2015	June 5, 2015	145
86(2)	January 11, 2016	April 29, 2016	110
87(1)	January 9, 2017	April 22, 2017	104
87(2)	January 8, 2018	May 5, 2018	118
88(1)	January 14, 2019	April 27, 2019	104