



Senate orders for documents

2021 due dates

This document lists the due dates in 2021 for documents required by certain Senate orders to be tabled in the Senate.

Please note that this list is not exhaustive and includes only orders of regular or general application to government departments and agencies. For the full list and text of Senate orders relating to the production of documents see the Senate Standing Orders (January 2020), '[Procedural orders and resolutions of the Senate of continuing effect](#)'.

Indexed lists of departmental and agency files (Harradine order) [12]

Due by not later than the tenth day of the autumn and spring sittings:

- 24 February 2021 (autumn)
- 25 August 2021 (spring)

Entity contracts (Murray order) [13]

Due by not later than two calendar months after the last day of the financial and calendar year:

- 28 February 2021 (calendar year)
- 31 August 2021 (financial year)

Departmental and agency appointments and vacancies (Minchin order) [15]

Due by not later than seven days before the commencement of the Budget estimates, supplementary Budget estimates and additional estimates hearings:

- 15 March 2021 (additional estimates)
- 17 May 2021 (Budget estimates)
- 18 October 2021 (supplementary Budget estimates)

Departmental and agency grants (Minchin order) [16]

Due by not later than seven days before the commencement of the Budget estimates, supplementary Budget estimates and additional estimates hearings:

- 15 March 2021 (additional estimates)
- 17 May 2021 (Budget estimates)
- 18 October 2021 (supplementary Budget estimates)

Estimates hearings—Unanswered questions on notice (Wong order) [21]

Due by not later than ten days before the commencement of the Budget estimates, supplementary Budget estimates and additional estimates hearings:

- 12 March 2021 (additional estimates)
- 14 May 2021 (Budget estimates)
- 15 October 2021 (supplementary Budget estimates)

Former ministers—Meetings (Waters/McAllister order) [22]

Due by not later than seven days before the commencement of the Budget estimates, supplementary Budget estimates and additional estimates hearings:

- 15 March 2021 (additional estimates)
- 17 May 2021 (Budget estimates)
- 18 October 2021 (supplementary Budget estimates)

Report on outstanding orders for documents (adoption of recommendation of the Procedure Committee's 1st report of 2017) [23]

Due by not later than two calendar months after the last day of the financial and calendar year:

- Calendar year: 28 February 2021
- Financial year: 31 August 2021

Australia's National Greenhouse Gas Inventory—Quarterly updates (Di Natale order) [23A]

Due by not later than five calendar months after each quarterly update:

- 30 September 2020 (due by 28 February 2021)
- 31 December 2020 (due by 31 May 2021)
- 31 March 2021 (due by 31 August 2021)
- 30 June 2021 (due by 30 November 2021)
- 30 September 2021 (due by 28 February 2022)
- 31 December 2021 (due by 31 May 2022)

Department of Home Affairs—Protection visas (Keneally order) [23B]

Due by not later than fourteen days after the last day of every month:

- 31 December 2020 (due by 14 January 2021)
- 31 January 2021 (due by 14 February 2021)
- 28 February 2021 (due by 14 March 2021)
- 31 March 2021 (due by 14 April 2021)
- 30 April 2021 (due by 14 May 2021)
- 31 May 2021 (due by 14 June 2021)
- 30 June 2021 (due by 14 July 2021)
- 31 July 2021 (due by 14 August 2021)
- 31 August 2021 (due by 14 September 2021)
- 30 September 2021 (due by 14 October 2021)
- 31 October 2021 (due by 14 November 2021)
- 30 November 2021 (due by 14 December 2021)
- 31 December 2021 (due by 14 January 2022)

Standing order 25(20)(f): Reports by Senate Committees on annual reports

Report on annual reports tabled by 31 October 2020 due by the tenth sitting day of 2021: 24 February 2021

Reports on annual reports tabled by 30 April 2021 due by the tenth sitting day after 30 June 2021: 25 August 2021

Due dates in chronological order

14 January 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Department of Home Affairs—Protection visas [OCE 23B]
14 February 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Department of Home Affairs—Protection visas [OCE 23B]
24 February 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Indexed lists of departmental and agency files [OCE 12]• Standing order 25(20)(f): Reports on annual reports
28 February 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Australia’s National Greenhouse Gas Inventory—Quarterly updates [OCE 23A]• Entity contracts [OCE 13]• Report on outstanding orders for documents (adoption of recommendation of the Procedure Committee’s 1st report of 2017) [OCE 23]
12 March 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Estimates hearings—Unanswered questions on notice [OCE 21]
14 March 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Department of Home Affairs—Protection visas [OCE 23B]
15 March 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Departmental and agency appointments and vacancies [OCE 15]• Departmental and agency grants [OCE 16]• Former ministers—Meetings [OCE 22]
14 April 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Department of Home Affairs—Protection visas [OCE 23B]
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14 June 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Department of Home Affairs—Protection visas [OCE 23B]
14 July 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Department of Home Affairs—Protection visas [OCE 23B]
14 August 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Department of Home Affairs—Protection visas [OCE 23B]
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14 November 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department of Home Affairs—Protection visas [OCE 23B]
30 November 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australia’s National Greenhouse Gas Inventory—Quarterly updates [OCE 23A]
14 December 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department of Home Affairs—Protection visas [OCE 23B]
14 January 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department of Home Affairs—Protection visas [OCE 23B]
28 February 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australia’s National Greenhouse Gas Inventory—Quarterly updates [OCE 23A]
31 May 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Australia’s National Greenhouse Gas Inventory—Quarterly updates [OCE 23A]