# **2019**

PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY
COUNTRY PUBLIC DEBATE
LAVY POLICIES
STANDING
COMMITTEE
SESSIONS



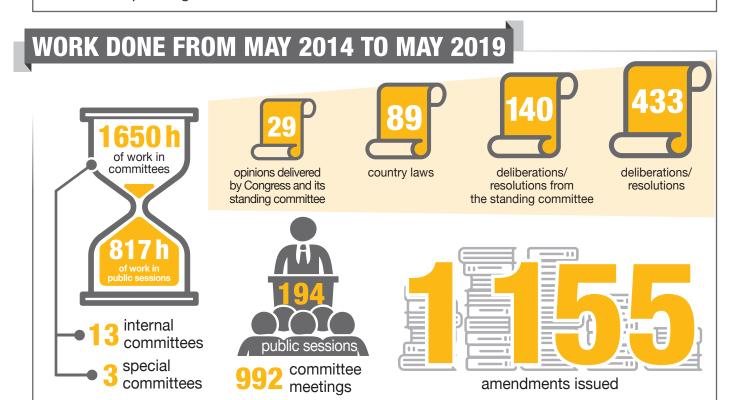
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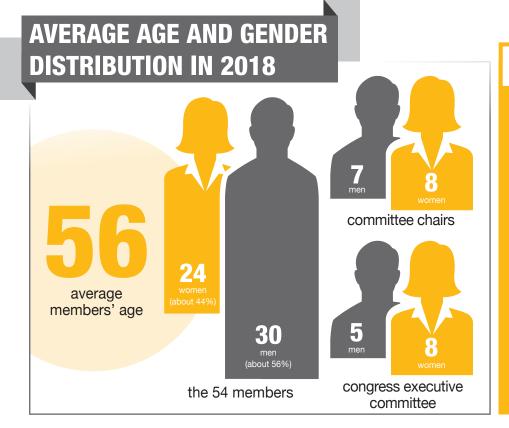
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YOUNG MEMBERS' CONGRESS

# **CONGRESS ROLE**

- Assessing the government's draft texts and propositions from members of the Congress.
- Voting on New Caledonia's country laws, deliberations and budgets.
- Adopting opinions and resolutions, and expressing wishes
- Electing and supervising New Caledonia's government
- > Expressing the opinions of all Caledonians from the three provinces
- > Promoting public debate



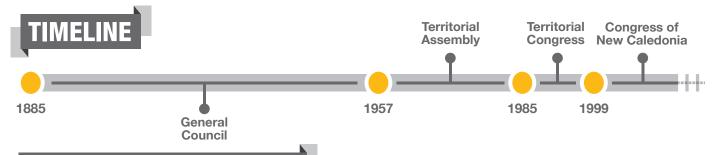


### **DID YOU KNOW?**

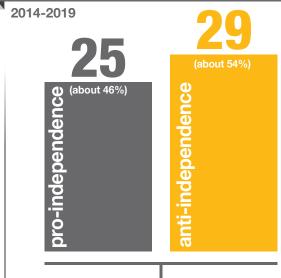
Congress includes 54 members. The pace of this deliberative assembly is set by sessions and intersessional periods.

The administrative session is open from June 1<sup>st</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup> while the budget session is open from November 1<sup>st</sup> to November 30<sup>th</sup>.

During the period in-between the two ordinary sessions, called the intersessional period, the institution may meet in extraordinary sessions.



### **POLITICAL DISTRIBUTION**



	Population	Number of Members	Number of people per member
Southern Province	199 983	32	6 249
Northern Province	50 487	15	3 366
Loyalty Islands Province	18 297	7	2 614
Population data: 2014 ISEE census		I	

5 political groups

members from the Southern Province

about

**59**%

members from the Northern Province

about

28%

7

members from the Loyalty Islands Province

about

**13**%

### **VISITS AND PUBLIC DEBATES**



Hundreds of students of all ages visit the Congress each year. Between 2016 and 2018, more than 1150 students in total visited it.

public conferences since 2016 at the civil society's request on a wide range of themes such as the institutional future, the congress history, transfert of competencies, New Caledonia developpement study, and so on.

# INSTITUTIONAL PARTNERSHIPS

Congress conducts a dynamic interparliamentary cooperation policy. Several partnership agreements have been sealed:

- > The Republic of Vanuatu Parliament since 2002
- > French Polynesia Assembly since 2010
- Wallis and Futuna Territorial Assembly since 2010
- National Assembly since 2012
- > Senate since 2014
- > Council of State since 2014
- Member of the Assemblée parlementaire de la Francophonie since 2018.



### A SHELL AS AN INSTITUTIONAL EMBLEM

What better symbol than the conch shell as the beating heart of Caledonian democracy! Initially, the conch shell sound announced an event during traditionnal ceremonies and was used to summon people. Nowadays, this ancestral conch is the symbol of congress and a reminder that New Caledonia is the "Land of the Word, Land of Sharing".

# YOUTH CONGRESS

In 2015, a parliamentary assembly comprised of high school students was created so that Caledonian youth could be heard and be introduced to the democratic system.



members from the Caledonian youth



public and private highschools

internal committees

plenary sessions each year

CONGRESS STAFF MEMBERS
2018

23
men
(about 35%)
66
agents
43
women
(about 65%)

### THE CONGRESS ON THE WEB

公9850

subscribers on the Congress of New Caledonia Facebook page

500 newsletter

subscribers

100%

of public sessions are webcast live

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