

MP Attendance: JVP shines through

An analysis of the attendance of MP's in Parliament by Verite Research's manthri.lk team reveals some striking results.

During the period under survey, September 2015-February 2019 a total of 325 sessions were held in Parliament. **Not a single MP managed to attend all of these sessions.**

The highest attendance during this period was 317 sessions (an attendance of 97.5%) which can be attributed to Piyadasa K.K of the UNP.

The second highest attendance was 316 sessions (an attendance of 97%) which can be attributed to Karunatilaka Gayantha of the UNP.

14 MP's had an attendance below 100 sessions.

A calculation of the average attendance of MP's reveals some striking results.

Party	Number of MP's	Average Attendance
UNP	84	240
SLMC	7	202
JVP	6	263
SLFP	49	193
UPFA	40	196

The JVP appears to have the highest average attendance despite having the lowest number of MP's in Parliament out of the major parties. Despite having 6 MP's the JVP average is 263 which is higher than both the UNP, SLFP and UPFA, the largest parties in Parliament.

The UNP has the second highest average attendance at 240 followed by the SLMC at 202.

Strikingly the lowest average attendance falls to the SLFP with an average of 193.

