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Statistical Digest

47th Parliament

No. 12, 22 May to 1 June 2023

Legislation	22 May to 1 June 2023	2023 to date	47 th Parliament to date
Bills presented to the House	16	73	169
Government bills	14	59	142
Private members' bills	2	12	20
Senate bills	0	2	7
Bills referred to the Federation Chamber	15	48	72
Bills passed by the House	19	67	138
Other business	22 May to 1 June 2023	2023 to date	47 th Parliament to date
Number of sitting days	7	30	61
Hours of sitting*			
House of Representatives Chamber	68 hrs 3 mins	279 hrs 2 mins	573 hrs 26 mins
Federation Chamber	30 hrs 22 mins	124 hrs 58 mins	235 hrs 51 mins
Business conducted in the House†			
Government business	58 hrs 57 mins	200 hrs 52 mins	391 hrs 32 mins
Private members' business	7 hrs 5 mins	42 hrs 7 mins	86 hrs 31 mins
Other opportunities for private members	14 hrs 23 mins	69 hrs 43 mins	142 hrs 38 mins
Questions without notice	8 hrs 40 mins	39 hrs 49 mins	72 hrs 48 mins
Matter of public importance	6 hrs 5 mins	22 hrs 50 mins	44 hrs 40 mins
Business of the House	3 hrs 15 mins	28 hrs 39 mins	71 hrs 8 mins
Private members' motions moved and debated~	14	70	133
Matters of public importance discussed	6	23	45
Questions in writing	12	83	151
Questions without notice#	142	658	1,224
Petitions presented	34	227	532
Signatures to petitions	25,718	354,956	640,140
Divisions	24	74	163
Parliamentary committee reports presented^	4	49	77

* Excludes suspension of sittings.

† Includes Federation Chamber. See definitions on following page.

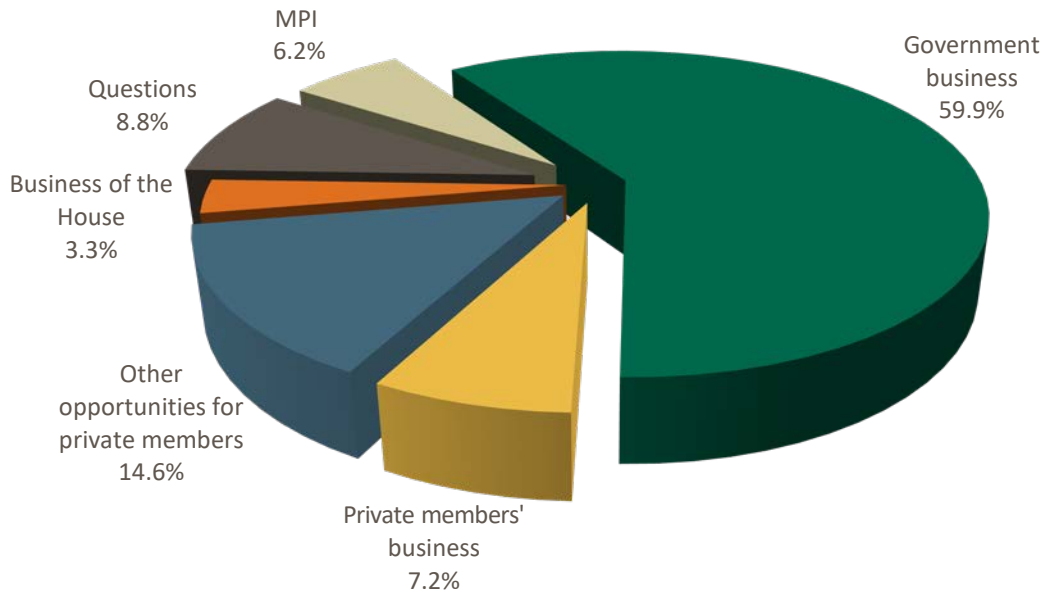
~ Excludes resumption of debate.

Excludes questions ruled out of order.

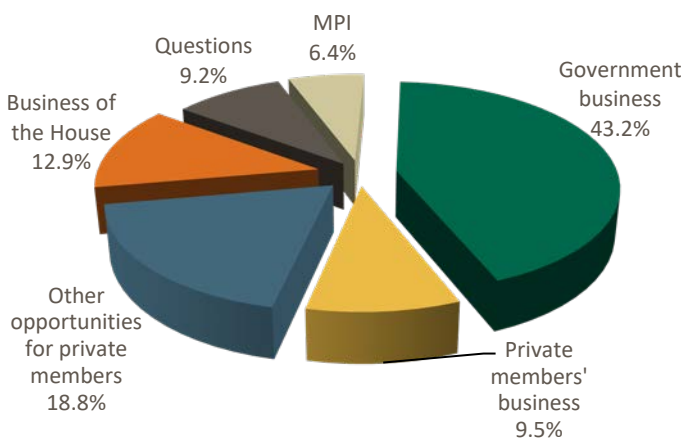
^ Includes advisory reports on bills.

Business conducted in the House of Representatives*

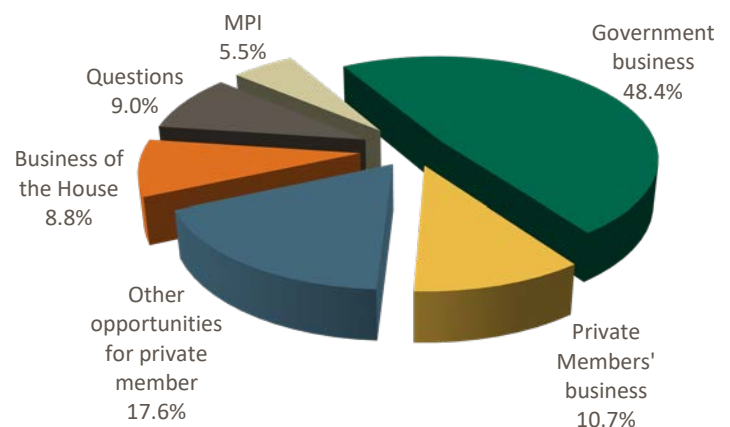
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46th Parliament



47th Parliament (to date)



Note: As at the beginning of the 46th Parliament, the allocation of items of business to categories represented in these graphs changed. All graphs shown above are calculated on the same basis but may not be comparable to previous editions of the Digest of earlier parliaments. Some further changes to the calculation of percentages were made in February 2023.

Government business includes government sponsored legislation and motions; ministerial statements and statements in reply.

Private members' business includes legislation and motions sponsored by private members.

Other opportunities for private members includes adjournment debates, grievance debates, debate on the Address in Reply, 90 second statements and members' constituency statements.

Business of the House includes, but is not limited to, time spent on petitions, statements by indulgence, presentation of papers, privilege matters, personal explanations, dissent motions, motions to suspend standing orders, announcements of ministerial arrangements, presentation and debate on committee and delegation reports and votes of condolence.

*Includes time spent in the Federation Chamber.