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Statistical Digest

47th Parliament

No. 22, 18 to 27 March 2024

Legislation	18 to 27 March 2024	2024 to date	47 th Parliament to date
Bills presented to the House	22	49	315
Government bills	19	41	261
Private members' bills	3	7	39
Senate bills	0	1	15
Bills referred to the Federation Chamber	12	30	130
Bills passed by the House	19	43	245

Other business	18 to 27 March 2024	2024 to date	47 th Parliament to date
Number of sitting days	7	18	116
Hours of sitting*			
House of Representatives Chamber	65 hrs 55 mins	169 hrs 54 mins	1,089 hrs 52 mins
Federation Chamber	29 hrs 54 mins	68 hrs 41 mins	434 hrs 53 mins
Business conducted in the House†			
Government business	42 hrs 46 mins	114 hrs 45 mins	720 hrs 4 mins
Private members' business	12 hrs 36 mins	26 hrs 44 mins	167 hrs 2 mins
Other opportunities for private members	13 hrs 38 mins	34 hrs 11 mins	246 hrs 49 mins
Questions without notice	8 hrs 21 mins	22 hrs 9 mins	136 hrs 23 mins
Matter of public importance	5 hrs 5 mins	13 hrs 58 mins	84 hrs 51 mins
Business of the House	13 hrs 24 mins	26 hrs 50 mins	169 hrs 37 mins
Private members' motions moved and debated~	19	42	262
Matters of public importance discussed	5	14	85
Questions in writing	46	103	565
Questions without notice#	142	374	2,262
Petitions presented	43	199	1,022
Signatures to petitions	52,538	370,336	1,382,837
Divisions	47	74	347
Parliamentary committee reports presented^	17	36	189

* Excludes suspension of sittings.

† Includes Federation Chamber. See definitions on following page. Totals may not sum due to rounding.

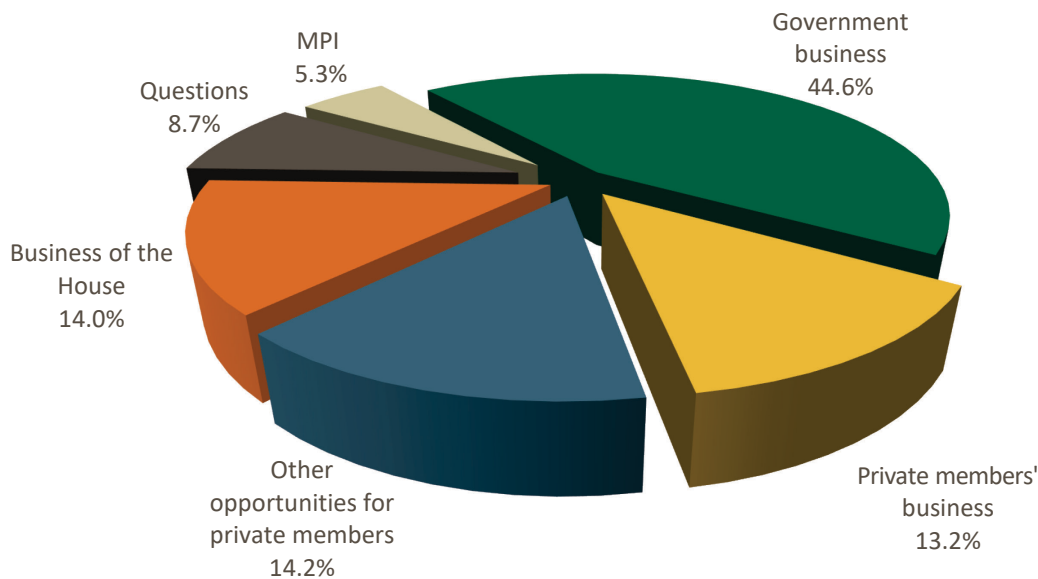
~ Excludes resumption of debate and motions moved outside of time allocated for private members' business.

Excludes questions ruled out of order.

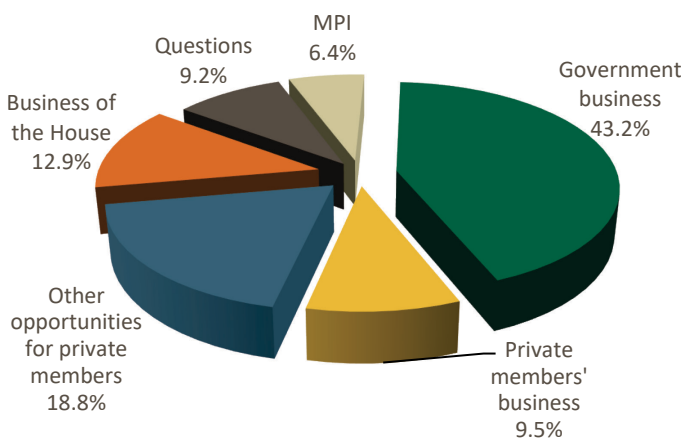
^ Includes advisory reports on bills.

Business conducted in the House of Representatives*

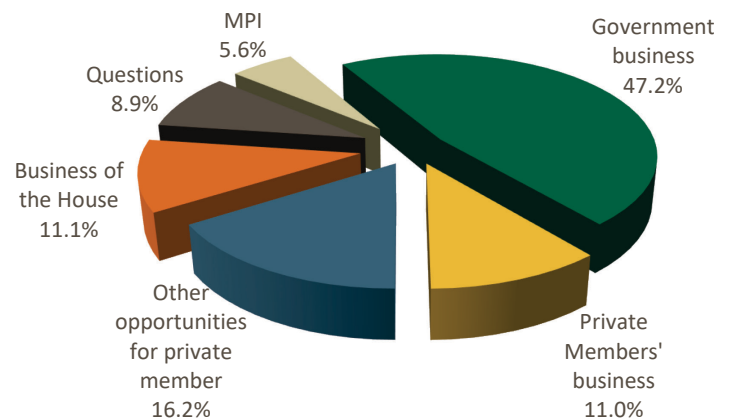
18 to 27 March 2024



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.