

Statistical Digest

No. 18

7–17 September 2009

September 2009				
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Legislation

	7 to 17 September	2009 to date
Bills presented to House		
Government bills	18	151
Private Members' bills	2	5
Senate bills	3	8
Bills referred to the Main Committee	5	37
Bills passed by the House	26	155

Other Business

	7 to 17 September	2009 to date
Number of sitting days	8	52
Hours of sitting*		
House of Representatives Chamber	71 hrs 34 mins	491 hrs 53 mins
Main Committee	22 hrs 56 mins	184 hrs 3 mins
Business conducted in the House†		
Government Business	55 hrs 55 mins	413 hrs 55 mins
Private Members' Business	8 hrs	49 hrs 5 mins
Other opportunities for Private Members	7 hrs 31 mins	38 hrs 36 mins
Questions without notice	13 hrs 46 mins	79 hrs 52 mins
Matter of public importance	3 hrs 51 mins	30 hrs 29 mins
Business of the House	5 hrs 27 mins	63 hrs 59 mins
Items of private Members' business debated#	6	35
Matters of public importance discussed	5	34
Questions in writing	76	479
Questions without notice	140	893
Petitions presented	10	104
Signatures to petitions	42,142	248,946
Divisions	15	102
Parliamentary committee reports presented	9	55

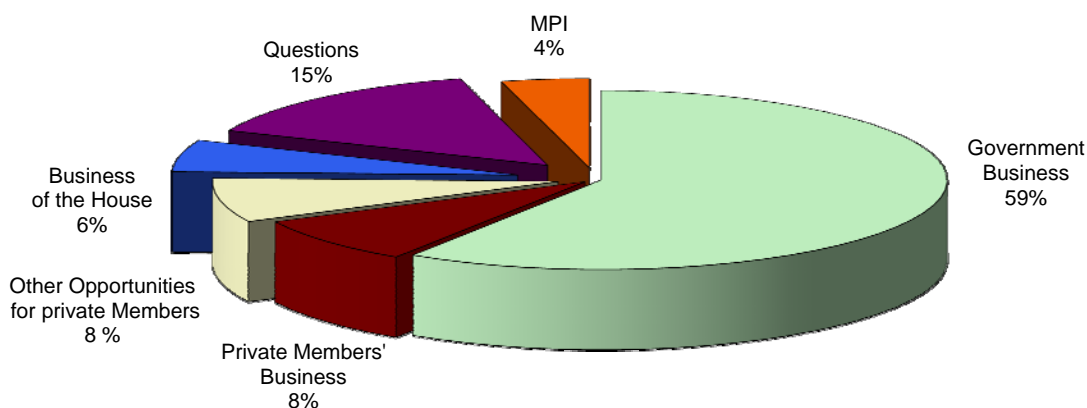
* Excluding time spent on suspensions of sittings.

† Includes Main Committee, see definitions on following page.

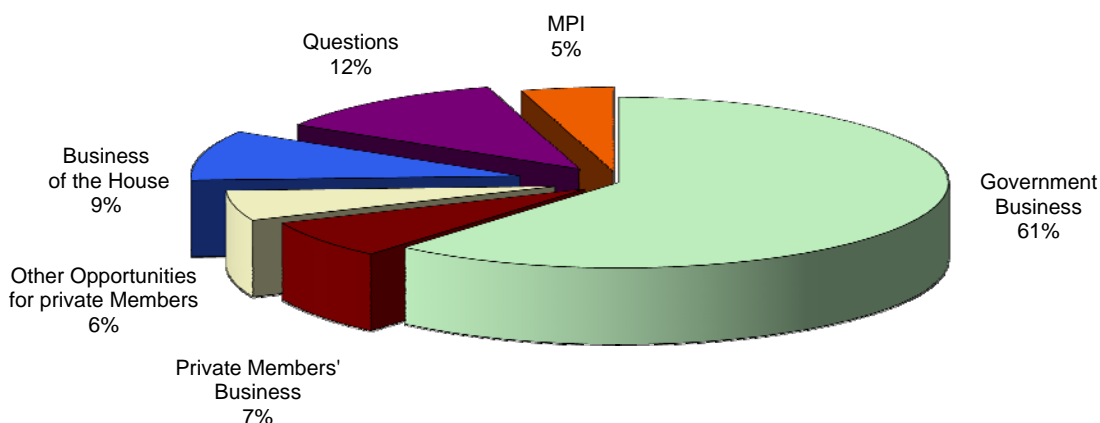
Does not include private Members' bills.

Business conducted in the House of Representatives

7 – 17 September 2009



2009 to date



Includes time spent in the Main Committee.

Government business includes government sponsored legislation and motions (including motions to suspend standing orders) and ministerial statements.

Private Members' business includes legislation and motions (including motions to suspend standing orders) sponsored by private Members and statements by Members.

Other opportunities for private Members includes adjournment, grievance debates and debates on Address in Reply.

Business of the House includes time spent on petitions, giving notices, presentation of papers (excluding motions to take note), privilege matters, personal explanations, dissent motions, announcements of ministerial arrangements, motions to appoint committees (unless moved by private Members), statements and debate on committee reports, motions for addresses, votes of condolence, leave of absence and special adjournment.