

Statistical Digest

No. 7

15–25 September 2008

| September 2008 | | | | |
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| 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 |

Legislation

| | 15 to 25 September | 2008 to date |
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| Bills presented to House | | |
| Government bills | 21 | 149 |
| Private Members' bills | 0 | 4 |
| Senate bills | 0 | 7 |
| Bills referred to the Main Committee | 3 | 47 |
| Bills passed by the House | 16 | 136 |

Other Business

| | 15 to 25 September | 2008 to date |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Number of sitting days | 8 | 49 |
| Hours of sitting* | | |
| House of Representatives Chamber | 72 hrs 7 mins | 444 hrs 54 mins |
| Main Committee | 27 hrs 34 mins | 167 hrs 38 mins |
| Business conducted in the House† | | |
| Government Business | 63 hrs | 341 hrs 40 mins |
| Private Members' Business | 12 hrs 12 mins | 54 hrs 56 mins |
| Other opportunities for Private Members | 6 hrs 30 mins | 70 hrs 30 mins |
| Questions without notice | 10 hrs 43 mins | 68 hrs 35 mins |
| Matter of public importance | 4 hrs 58 mins | 29 hrs 17 mins |
| Business of the House | 2 hrs 18 mins | 47 hrs 35 mins |
| Items of private Members' business debated# | 13 | 43 |
| Matters of public importance discussed | 5 | 31 |
| Questions in writing | 33 | 354 |
| Questions without notice | 145 | 918 |
| Petitions presented | 11 | 79 |
| Signatures to petitions | 4408 | 71,777 |
| Divisions | 16 | 109 |
| Parliamentary committee reports presented | 4 | 38 |

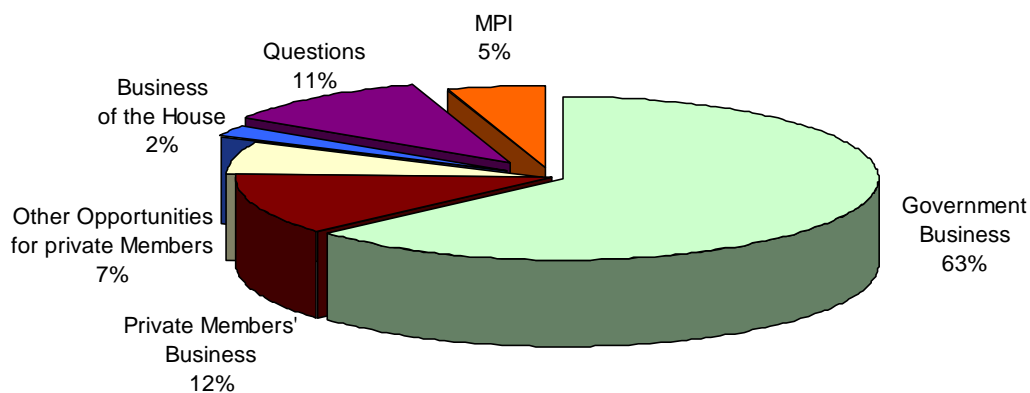
* Excluding time spent on suspensions of sittings.

† Includes Main Committee, see definitions on following page.

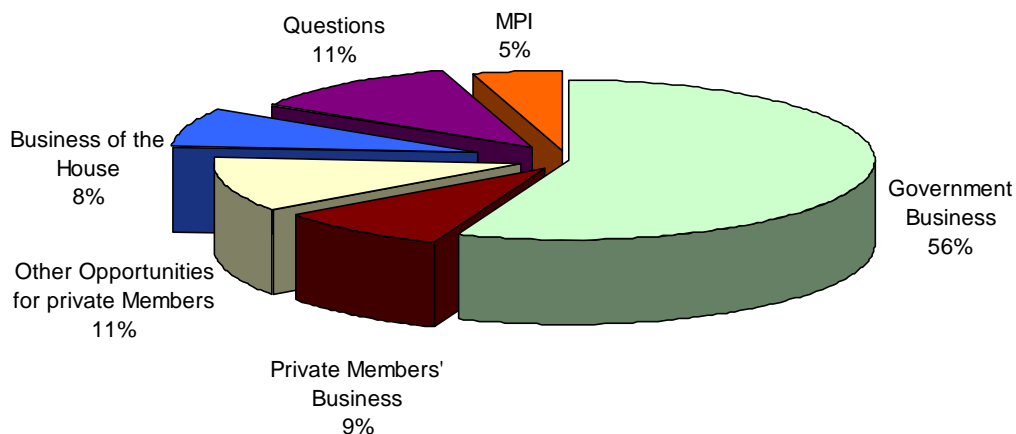
Does not include private Members' bills.

Business conducted in the House of Representatives

15 – 25 September 2008



2008 to date



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.