HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Statistical Digest

No. 18 43rd Parliament 13 to 22 March 2012



Legislation	13 to 22 March	2012 to date
Bills presented to House	27	53
Government bills	23	41
Private Members' bills	2	8
Senate bills	2	4
Bills referred to the Federation Chamber	9	19
Bills passed by the House	16	47

Other Business	13 to 22 March	2012 to date
Number of sitting days	7	18
Hours of sitting*		
House of Representatives Chamber	69 hrs 38 mins	177 hrs 53 mins
Federation Chamber	34 hrs 23 mins	86 hrs 56 mins
Business conducted in the House [†]		
Government business	51 hrs 06 mins	137 hrs 32 mins
Private Members' business	19 hrs 04 mins	45 hrs 12 mins
Other opportunities for private Members	7 hrs 34 mins	19 hrs 58 mins
Questions without notice	6 hrs 20 mins	17 hrs 05 mins
Matter of public importance	7 hrs 29 mins	17 hrs 32 mins
Business of the House	12 hrs 28 mins	27 hrs 30 mins
Private Members' motions moved and debated~	11	32
Matters of public importance discussed	6	15
Questions in writing	69	171
Questions without notice	92	249
Petitions presented	14	40
Signatures to petitions	5,947	74,585
Divisions	34	51_
Parliamentary committee reports presented	20	46

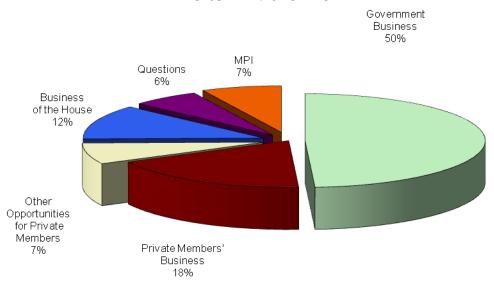
^{*} Excluding suspensions of sittings.

[†] Includes Federation Chamber, see definitions on following page.

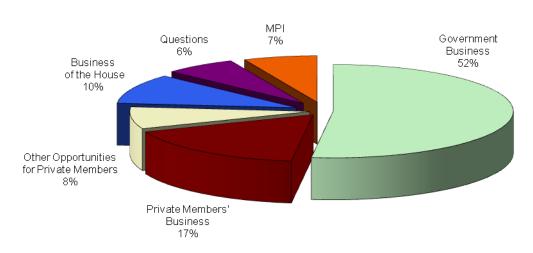
 $[\]sim~{\rm Excludes}$ resumption of debate.

Business conducted in the House of Representatives

13 to 22 March 2012



2012 to date



Includes time spent in the Federation Chamber.

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.