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# Statistical Digest

46th Parliament

No. 12, 24 August to 3 September 2020

| Legislation   | 24 August to<br>3 September 2020 | 2020<br>to date | 46th Parliament<br>to date |
|---|----------------------------------|-----------------|----------------------------|
| Bills presented to the House                            | 29                               | 113             | 277                        |
| Government bills  | 26                               | 95              | 222                        |
| Private Members' bills                                  | 1                                | 12              | 34                         |
| Senate bills  | 2                                | 6               | 21                         |
| Bills referred to the Federation Chamber                | 1                                | 1               | 4                          |
| Bills passed by the House                               | 13                               | 91              | 190                        |
| Other business  | 24 August to<br>3 September 2020 | 2020<br>to date | 46th Parliament<br>to date |
| Number of sitting days                                  | 8                                | 35              | 70                         |
| Hours of sitting*                                       |                                  |                 |                            |
| House of Representatives Chamber                        | 72 hrs 32 mins                   | 309 hrs 5 mins  | 620 hrs 50 mins            |
| Federation Chamber                                      | 20 hrs 58 mins                   | 89 hrs 25 mins  | 205 hrs 47 mins            |
| Business conducted in the House <sup>†</sup>            |                                  |                 |                            |
| Government business                                     | 37 hrs 23 mins                   | 172 hrs 17 mins | 348 hrs 6 mins             |
| Private Members' business                               | 11 hrs 54 mins                   | 37 hrs 24 mins  | 88 hrs 52 mins             |
| Other opportunities for private Members                 | 16 hrs 56 mins                   | 65 hrs 33 mins  | 161 hrs 48 mins            |
| Questions without notice                                | 9 hrs 35 mins                    | 39 hrs 46 mins  | 76 hrs 56 mins             |
| Matter of public importance                             | 6 hrs 9 mins                     | 26 hrs 17 mins  | 50 hrs 43 mins             |
| Business of the House                                   | 11 hrs 33 mins                   | 57 hrs 13 mins  | 100 hrs 12 mins            |
| Private Members' motions moved and debated <sup>~</sup> | 14                               | 48              | 126                        |
| Matters of public importance discussed                  | 6                                | 26              | 51                         |
| Questions in writing                                    | 41                               | 150             | 429                        |
| Questions without notice <sup>#</sup>                   | 172                              | 734             | 1,397                      |
| Petitions presented                                     | 85                               | 397             | 583                        |
| Signatures to petitions                                 | 68,326                           | 316,097         | 873,887                    |
| Divisions   | 86                               | 252             | 458                        |
| Parliamentary committee reports presented <sup>^</sup>  | 22                               | 74              | 115                        |

\* Excludes suspension of sittings.

† Includes Federation Chamber. See definitions on following page.

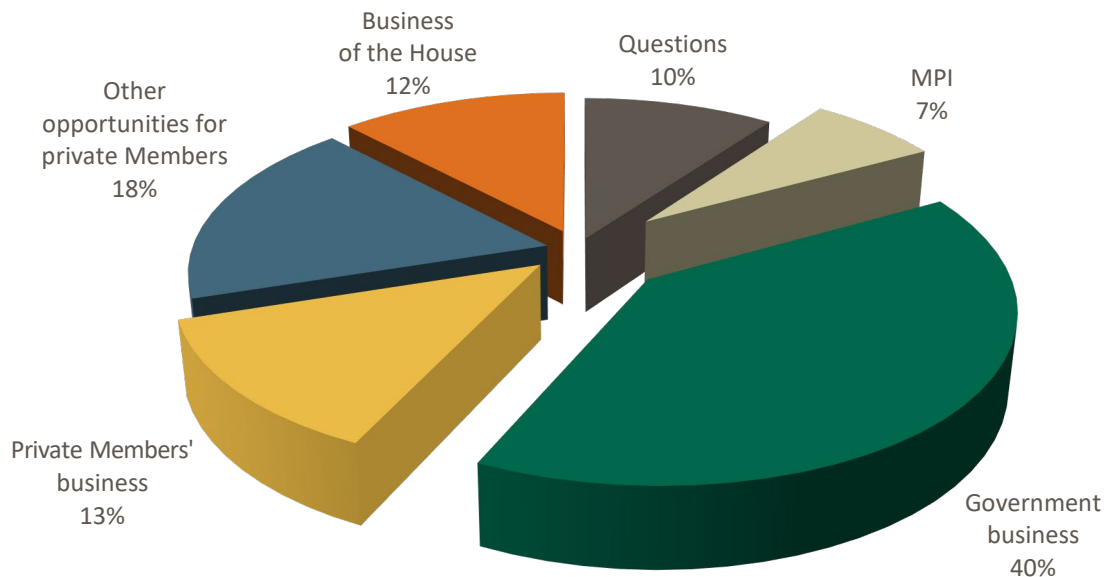
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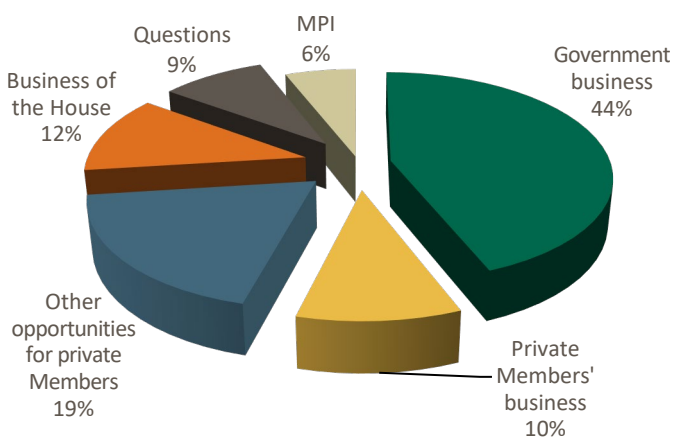
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## Business conducted in the House of Representatives\*

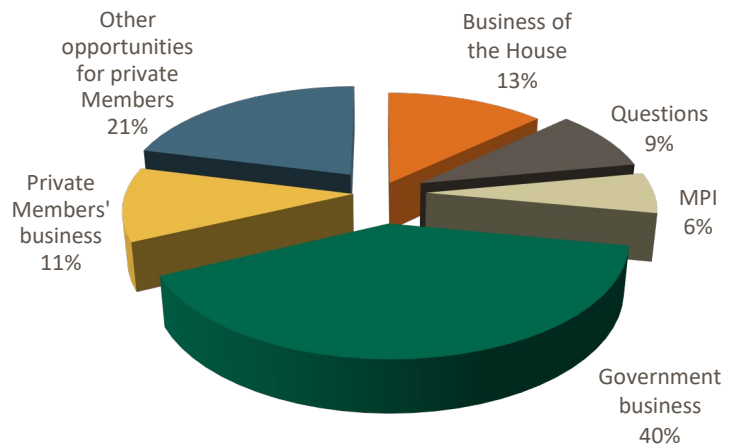
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### 45<sup>th</sup> Parliament



### 46<sup>th</sup> Parliament (to date)



**Note:** As at the beginning of the 46th Parliament, the allocation of items of business to categories represented in these graphs has 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.

**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.