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Statistical Digest

46th Parliament

No. 19, 15 to 25 March 2021

Legislation	15 to 22 March 2021	2021 to date	46th Parliament to date
Bills presented to the House	19	44	389
Government bills	10	26	301
Private Members' bills	4	10	54
Senate bills	5	8	34
Bills referred to the Federation Chamber	2	3	13
Bills passed by the House	19	37	298
Other business	15 to 22 March 2021	2021 to date	46th Parliament to date
Number of sitting days	8	19	112
Hours of sitting*			
House of Representatives Chamber	72 hrs 25 mins	170 hrs 25 mins	996 hrs 52 mins
Federation Chamber	27 hrs 32 mins	53 hrs 35 mins	348 hrs 40 mins
Business conducted in the House [†]			
Government business	42 hrs 42 mins	98 hrs 4 mins	598 hrs 52 mins
Private Members' business	12 hrs 48 mins	26 hrs 15 mins	142 hrs 48 mins
Other opportunities for private Members	17 hrs 55 mins	42 hrs 29 mins	249 hrs 17 mins
Questions without notice	8 hrs 34 mins	21 hrs 10 mins	124 hrs 36 mins
Matter of public importance	6 hrs 6 mins	15 hrs 14 mins	84 hrs 11 mins
Business of the House	11 hrs 52 mins	20 hrs 48 mins	145 hrs 48 mins
Private Members' motions moved and debated [~]	20	39	213
Matters of public importance discussed	6	15	84
Questions in writing	2	26	508
Questions without notice [#]	170	413	2,294
Petitions presented	69	200	1,007
Signatures to petitions	72,031	256,234	1,804,660
Divisions	23	66	606
Parliamentary committee reports presented [^]	13	27	200

* Excludes suspension of sittings.

† Includes Federation Chamber. See definitions on following page.

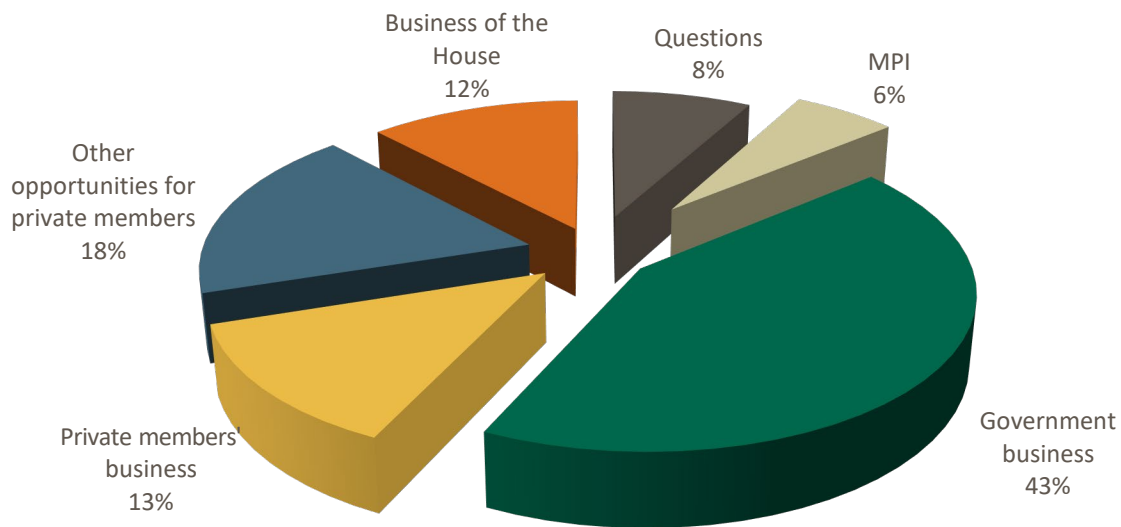
~ Excludes resumption of debate.

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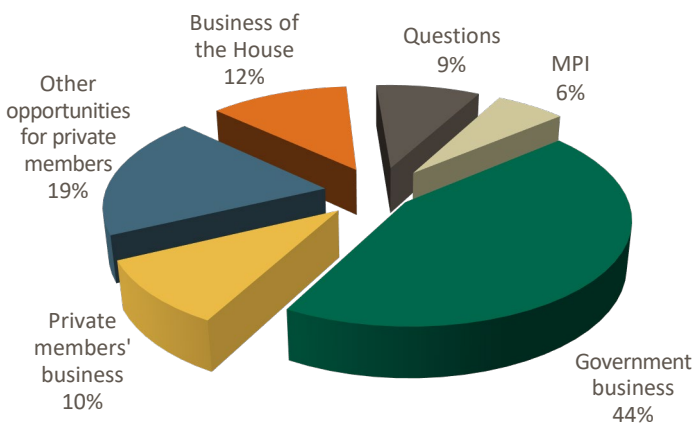
^ Includes advisory reports on bills.

Business conducted in the House of Representatives*

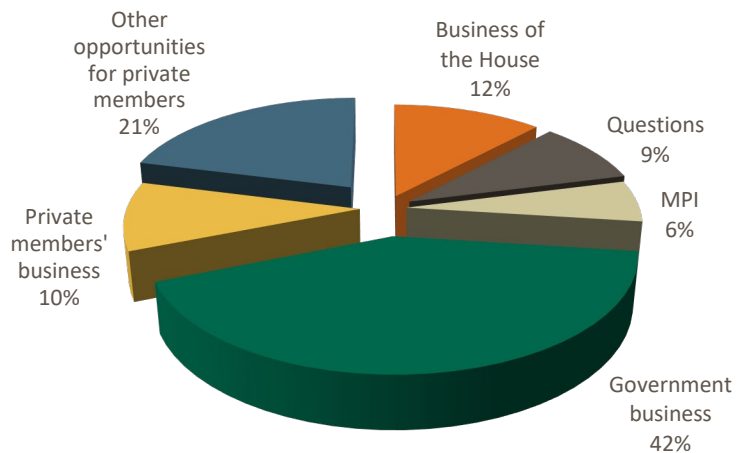
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46th Parliament (to date)



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.