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Statistical Digest

47th Parliament

No. 14, 31 July to 10 August 2023

Legislation	31 July to 10 August 2023	2023 to date	47 th Parliament to date
Bills presented to the House	13	103	199
Government bills	11	85	168
Private members' bills	1	15	23
Senate bills	1	3	8
Bills referred to the Federation Chamber	3	51	75
Bills passed by the House	9	88	159
Other business	31 July to 10 August 2023	2023 to date	47 th Parliament to date
Number of sitting days	8	45	76
Hours of sitting*			
House of Representatives Chamber	73 hrs 59 mins	417 hrs 0 mins	711 hrs 24 mins
Federation Chamber	24 hrs 22 mins	177 hrs 34 mins	288 hrs 27 mins
Business conducted in the House†			
Government business	42 hrs 25 mins	293 hrs 8 mins	483 hrs 47 mins
Private members' business	13 hrs 27 mins	62 hrs 40 mins	107 hrs 5 mins
Other opportunities for private members	16 hrs 37 mins	99 hrs 45 mins	172 hrs 41 mins
Questions without notice	9 hrs 41 mins	58 hrs 0 mins	91 hrs 0 mins
Matter of public importance	5 hrs 57 mins	34 hrs 55 mins	56 hrs 45 mins
Business of the House	10 hrs 16 mins	46 hrs 7 mins	88 hrs 36 mins
Private members' motions moved and debated~	23	103	166
Matters of public importance discussed	6	35	57
Questions in writing	59	229	297
Questions without notice#	160	952	1,518
Petitions presented	68	340	645
Signatures to petitions	137,332	587,865	873,049
Divisions	14	90	179
Parliamentary committee reports presented^	17	80	108

* Excludes suspension of sittings.

† Includes Federation Chamber. See definitions on following page. Totals may not sum due to rounding.

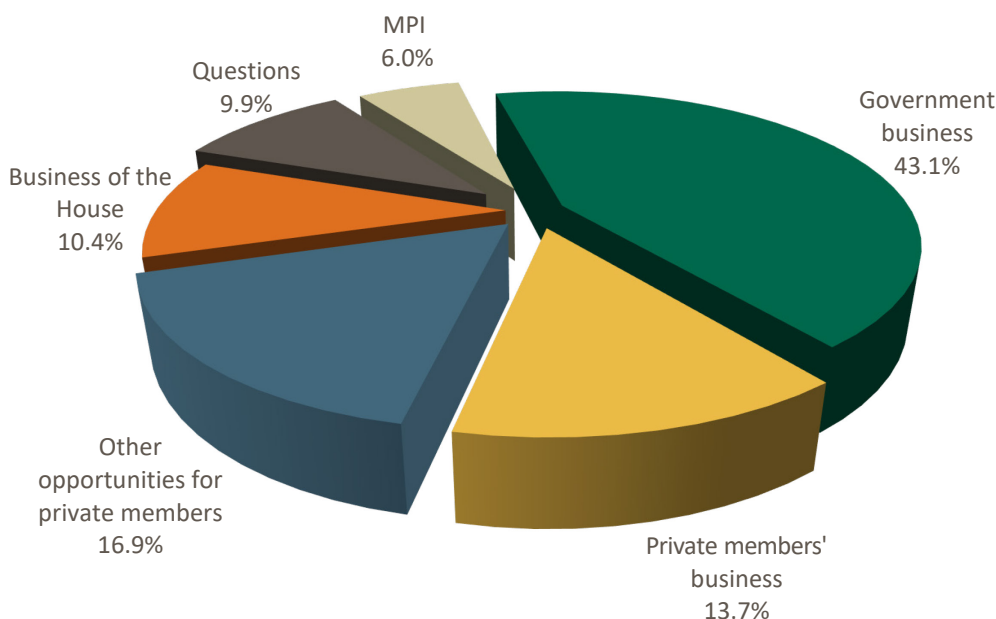
~ Excludes resumption of debate.

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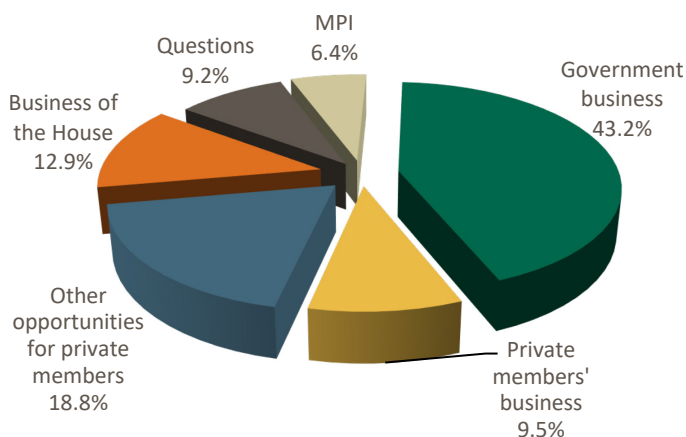
^ Includes advisory reports on bills.

Business conducted in the House of Representatives*

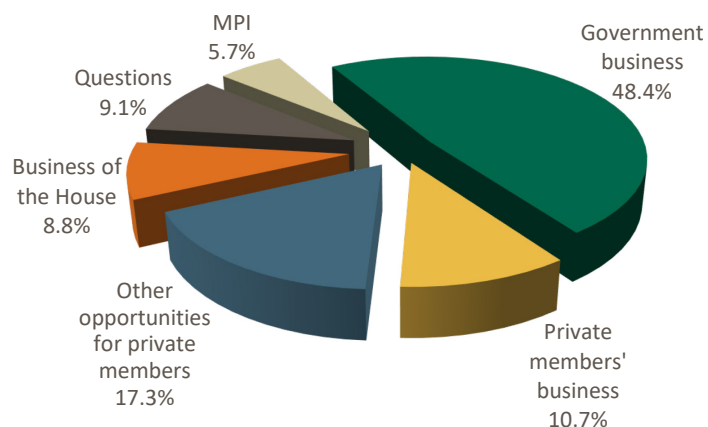
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46th Parliament



47th Parliament (to date)



Note: As at the beginning of the 46th Parliament, the allocation of items of business to categories represented in these graphs 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. Some further changes to the calculation of percentages were made in February 2023.

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.