

Statistical Digest

No. 20

16–26 November 2009

November 2009				
M	T	W	T	F
16	17	18	19	20
23	24	25	26	27

Legislation

	16 to 26 November	2009 to date
Bills presented to House		
Government bills	35	210
Private Members' bills	2	7
Senate bills	0	9
Bills referred to the Main Committee	7	52
Bills passed by the House	39	205

Other Business

	16 to 26 November	2009 to date
Number of sitting days	8	68
Hours of sitting*		
House of Representatives Chamber	85 hrs 29 mins	653 hrs 38 mins
Main Committee	26 hrs 10 mins	237 hrs 38 mins
Business conducted in the House†		
Government Business	60 hrs 29 mins	536 hrs 15 mins
Private Members' Business	7 hrs 54 mins	66 hrs 25 mins
Other opportunities for Private Members	7 hrs 41 mins	52 hrs 14 mins
Questions without notice	12 hrs 2 mins	104 hrs 51 mins
Matter of public importance	5 hrs 4 mins	41 hrs 9 mins
Business of the House	18 hrs 29 mins	90 hrs 22 mins
Items of private Members' business debated#	8	53
Matters of public importance discussed	5	45
Questions in writing	84	616
Questions without notice	142	1187
Petitions presented	30	150
Signatures to petitions	22,123	281,600
Divisions	12	129
Parliamentary committee reports presented	18	79

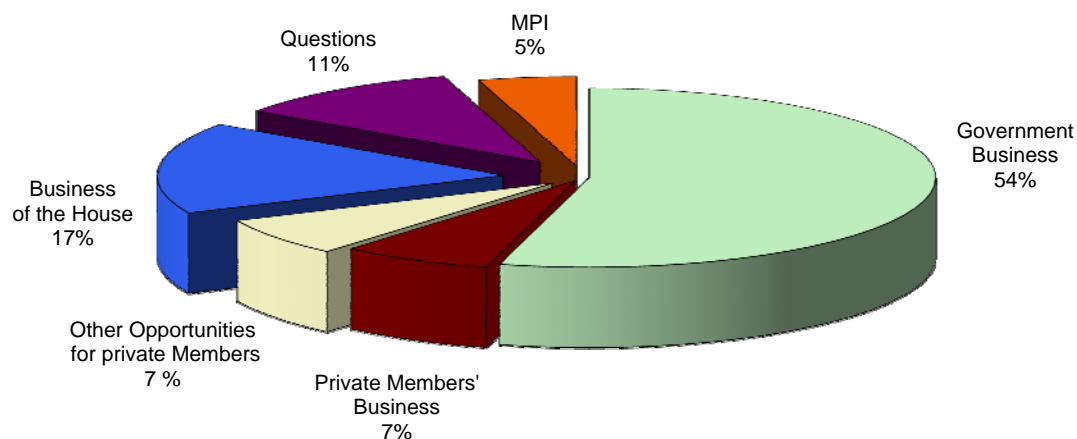
* Excluding time spent on suspensions of sittings.

† Includes Main Committee, see definitions on following page.

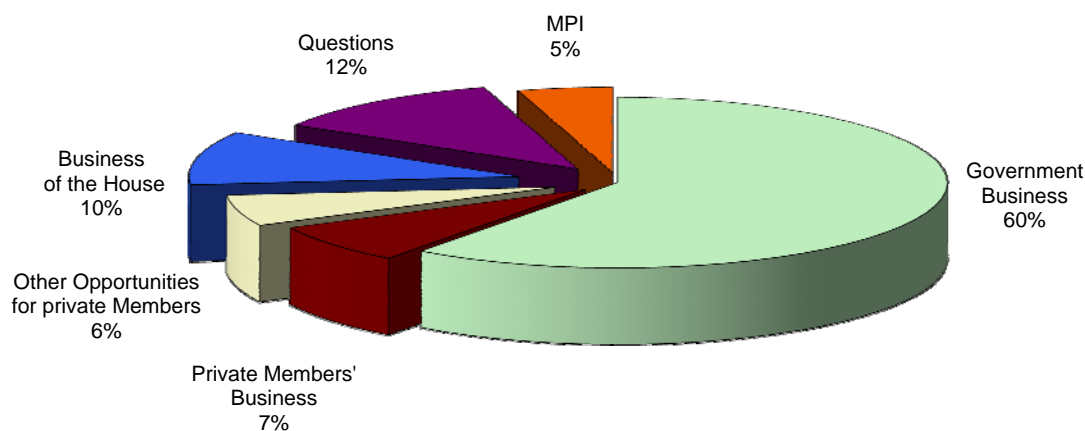
Does not include private Members' bills.

Business conducted in the House of Representatives

16 – 26 November 2009



2009 to date



Includes time spent in the Main Committee.

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.