

Statistical Digest

No. 20

43rd Parliament

21 to 31 May 2012

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Legislation

	21 to 31 May	2012 to date
Bills presented to House	40	105
Government bills	37	90
Private Members' bills	3	11
Senate bills	0	4
Bills referred to the Federation Chamber	16	41
Bills passed by the House	28	83

Other Business

	21 to 31 May	2012 to date
Number of sitting days	8	29
Hours of sitting*		
House of Representatives Chamber	82 hrs 1 min	284 hrs 44 mins
Federation Chamber	50 hrs 16 mins	147 hrs 15 mins
Business conducted in the House†		
Government Business	76 hrs 56 mins	229 hrs 59 mins
Private Members' Business	25 hrs 6 mins	74 hrs 4 mins
Other opportunities for private Members	8 hrs 54 mins	30 hrs 25 mins
Questions without notice	8 hrs 3 mins	27 hrs 27 mins
Matter of public importance	7 hrs 47 mins	29 hrs 21 mins
Business of the House	5 hrs 31 mins	40 hrs 43 mins
Private Members' motions moved and debated~	18	50
Matters of public importance discussed	6	24
Questions in writing	40	261
Questions without notice	131	419
Petitions presented	21	61
Signatures to petitions	36,321	110,906
Divisions	25	83
Parliamentary committee reports presented	15	69

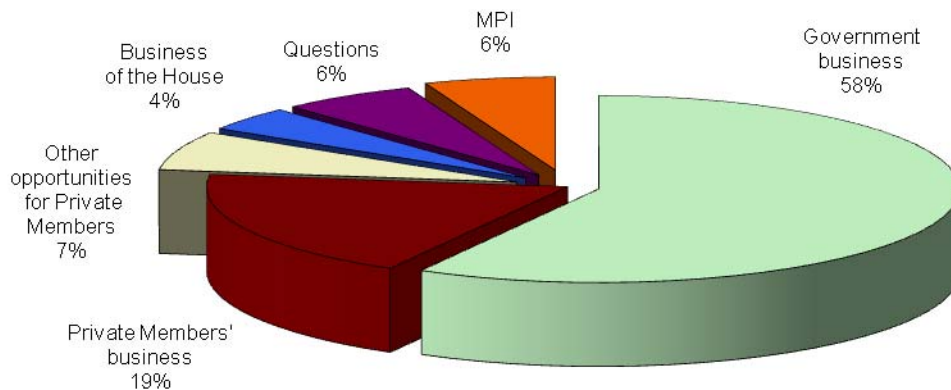
* Excludes suspension of sittings.

† Includes Federation Chamber, see definitions on following page.

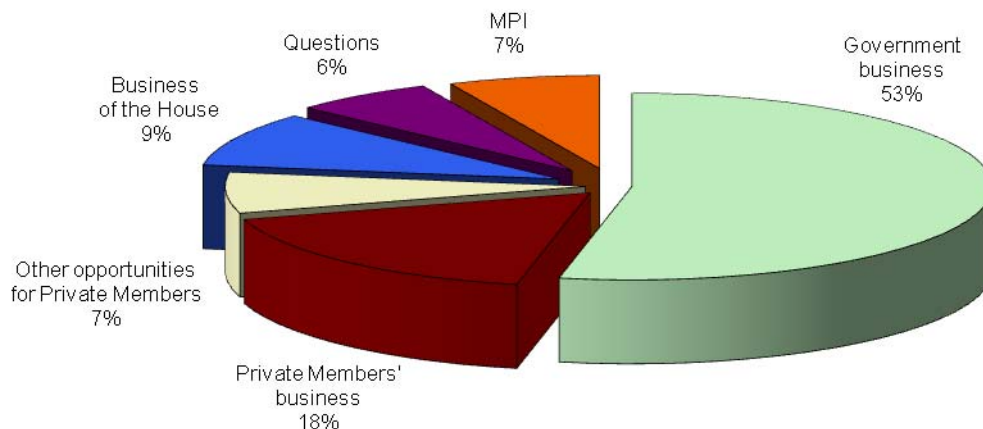
~ Excludes resumption of debate.

Business conducted in the House of Representatives

21 to 31 May 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 debates, grievance debates and debate on the 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.