

Statistical Digest

No. 19

19–29 October 2009

October 2009				
M	T	W	T	F
19	20	21	22	23
26	27	28	29	30

Legislation

	19 to 29 October	2009 to date
Bills presented to House		
Government bills	24	175
Private Members' bills	0	5
Senate bills	1	9
Bills referred to the Main Committee	8	45
Bills passed by the House	11	166

Other Business

	19 to 29 October	2009 to date
Number of sitting days	8	60
Hours of sitting*		
House of Representatives Chamber	76 hrs 16 mins	568 hrs 9 mins
Main Committee	27 hrs 25 mins	211 hrs 28 mins
Business conducted in the House†		
Government Business	61 hrs 51 mins	475 hrs 46 mins
Private Members' Business	9 hrs 26 mins	58 hrs 31 mins
Other opportunities for Private Members	5 hrs 57 mins	44 hrs 33 mins
Questions without notice	12 hrs 57 mins	92 hrs 49 mins
Matter of public importance	5 hrs 36 mins	36 hrs 5 mins
Business of the House	7 hrs 54 mins	71 hrs 53 mins
Items of private Members' business debated#	10	45
Matters of public importance discussed	6	40
Questions in writing	53	532
Questions without notice	152	1045
Petitions presented	16	120
Signatures to petitions	10,531	259,477
Divisions	15	117
Parliamentary committee reports presented	6	61

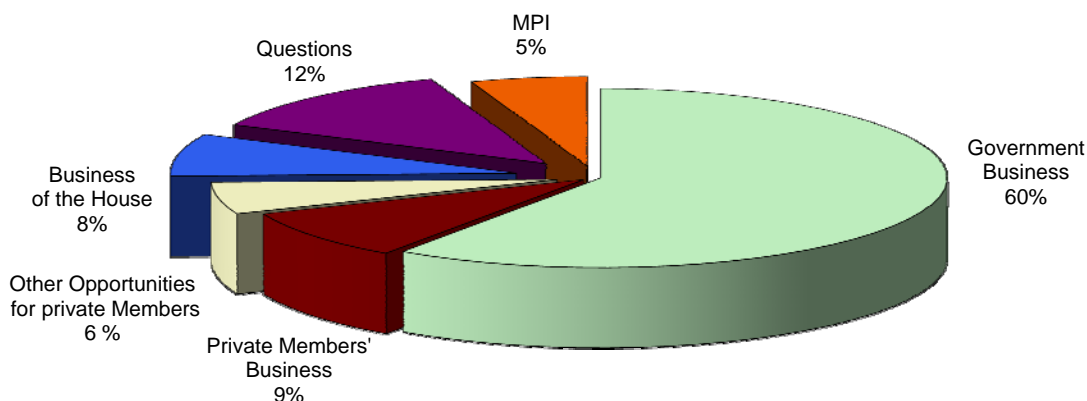
* Excluding time spent on suspensions of sittings.

† Includes Main Committee, see definitions on following page.

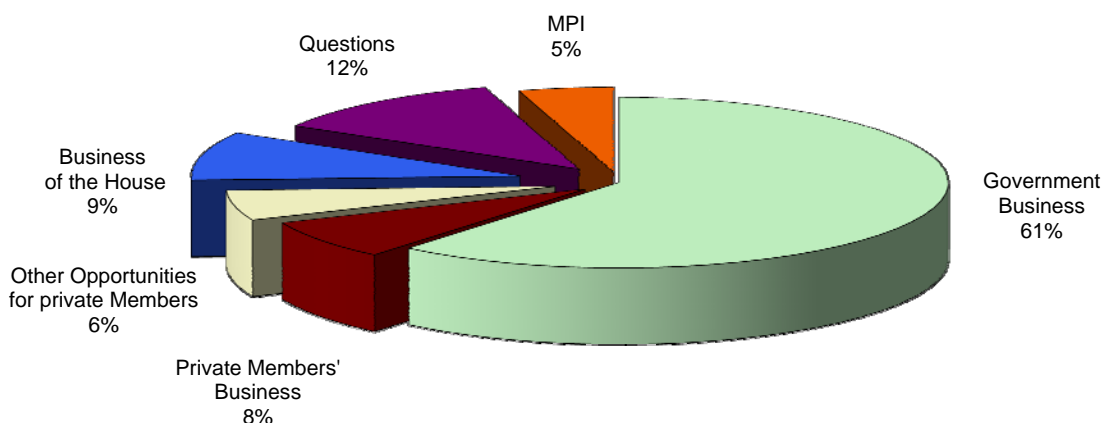
Does not include private Members' bills.

Business conducted in the House of Representatives

19 – 29 October 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.