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SITTINGS OF THE HOUSE

Year	Number of sitting weeks	Number of sittings•	Total hours of sitting*	Average length of sitting* <i>h min</i>	Number of sittings after midnight
1901†	31	113	866	7 40	7
1902	31	107	796	7 26	3
1903†	22	78	577	7 24	3
1904	36	122	902	7 23	3
1905	24	90	831	9 14	12
1906†	19	70	590	8 25	6
1907	25	97	808	8 20	16
1908	26	91	680	7 29	9
1909	26	98	793	8 05	7
1910†	22	83	748	9 01	6
1911	16	61	559	9 09	5
1912	27	105	966	9 12	8
1913†	20	74	562	7 36	7
1914†	21	61	504	8 15	3
1915	25	72	531	7 23	7
1916	12	32	260	8 07	1
1917†	19	52	460	8 51	7
1918	28	86	872	10 08	9
1919†	17	51	358	7 01	2
1920	35	114	842	7 23	6
1921	27	93	720	7 44	7
1922†	16	53	432	8 09	3
1923	13	52	479	9 12	8
1924	25	83	632	7 37	6
1925†	13	36	389	10 49	4
1926	24	84	646	7 41	5
1927	17	59	523	8 51	4
1928†	18	62	500	8 04	5
1929†	16	54	474	8 47	8
1930	28	98	781	7 58	11
1931†	29	94	744	7 55	10
1932	23	73	652	8 56	14
1933	20	67	630	9 24	16
1934†	12	35	297	8 29	9
1935	16	55	460	8 21	12
1936	22	71	539	7 35	15
1937†	9	29	257	8 52	5
1938	22	66	602	9 07	13
1939	15	51	446	8 45	11
1940†	15	43	402	9 21	5
1941	20	50	396	7 55	11

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1942	17	45	404	8 59	11
1943†	16	48	414	8 37	14
1944	17	57	517	9 04	9
1945	26	90	749	8 19	8
1946†	19	65	566	8 42	15
1947	26	92	795	8 39	8
1948	27	90	684	7 36	9
1949†	22	80	627	7 50	5
1950	28	83	803	9 40	12
1951†	17	56	511	9 08	11
1952	23	74	667	9 01	16
1953	17	61	533	8 45	5
1954†	17	48	460	9 36	3
1955†	18	52	511	9 50	4
1956	27	79	771	9 46	8
1957	21	63	644	10 13	12
1958†	17	48	491	10 14	9
1959	24	71	711	10 01	18
1960	25	74	770	10 24	22
1961†	19	55	575	10 27	21
1962	22	66	688	10 25	16
1963†	18	53	530	9 59	10
1964	22	65	656	10 06	10
1965	23	76	765	10 04	11
1966†	17	55	531	9 39	9
1967	21	62	646	10 25	20
1968	23	67	703	10 29	20
1969†	17	51	532	10 26	18
1970	20	73	736	10 05	23
1971	22	74	742	10 02	29
1972†	21	60	680	11 20	16
1973	25	81	913	11 16	—
1974†	21	62	678	10 56	1
1975†	23	69	743	10 46	—
1976	25	79	781	9 53	—
1977†	22	68	676	9 57	6
1978	22	75	747	9 58	3
1979	22	68	671	9 52	3
1980†	17	51	525	10 18	9

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1981	21	62	627	10 07	6	
1982	19	53	554	10 28	8	
1983†	17	49	533	10 52	3	
1984†	13	52	551	10 35	10	
1985	18	66	681	10 20	13	
1986	20	79	781	10 22	1	
1987†	19	74	746	10 05	1	
1988	21	65	701	10 47	10	
1989	18	59	658	11 09	12	
1990†	12	38	433	11 23	5	
1991	21	67	774	11 33	10	
1992	19	60	689	11 29	12	
1993†	14	46	524	11 24	8	
1994	18	68	632	9 18	1	61
1995	18	70	637	9 06	—	108
1996†	16	61	647	10 37	3	90
1997	20	76	800	10 31	2	171
1998†	15	54	560	10 22	—	97
1999	19	73	710	9 43	—	137
2000	19	73	714	9 47	2	128
2001†	15	56	526	9 23	1	110
2002	18	69	667	9 39	2	183
2003	20	74	682	9 13	1	191
2004†	16	59	594	10 04	—	152
2005	18	67	615	9 10	1	179
2006	18	68	630	9 15	—	229
2007†	14	50	452	9 02	—	148
2008	18	69	657	9 31	2	291
2009	18	68	819	12 02	1	268
2010†	15	55	609	11 04	—	255
2011	18	64	740	11 34	2	378
2012	17	63	661	10 29	1	358
2013†	13	48	481	10 01	—	257
2014	21 ¹	76	759	9 59	—	274
2015	19	75	746	9 56	—	263
2016†	14	51	507	9 57	—	199
2017	18	64	615	9 36	2	358

• A sitting on occasion may extend over more than one day, or even several days, during which period there may be lengthy suspensions.

* Does not include sittings in the Federation Chamber. Includes time expended in meal breaks and other suspensions.

† Years in which elections for the House of Representatives were held.

‡ First sitting of Main Committee 8 June 1994. Main Committee renamed Federation Chamber February 2012. Includes time expended in suspensions.

¹ The sittings on Friday 14 November, Monday 17 November and Tuesday 18 November 2014 counted as one sitting week.