

Statistical Digest

No. 9

10—13 November 2008

November 2008				
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Legislation

	10 to 13 November	2008 to date
Bills presented to House		
Government bills	7	164
Private Members' bills	1	5
Senate bills	0	9
Bills referred to the Main Committee	1	57
Bills passed by the House	8	163

Other Business

	10 to 13 November	2008 to date
Number of sitting days	4	61
Hours of sitting*		
House of Representatives Chamber	35 hrs 57 mins	552 hrs 51 mins
Main Committee	14 hrs 10 mins	211 hrs 58 mins
Business conducted in the House†		
Government Business	31 hrs 28 mins	439 hrs 41 mins
Private Members' Business	4 hrs 45 mins	68 hrs 24 mins
Other opportunities for Private Members	3 hrs 25 mins	80 hrs 4 mins
Questions without notice	5 hrs 46 mins	84 hrs 3 mins
Matter of public importance	2 hrs 17 mins	36 hrs 28 mins
Business of the House	2 hrs 25 mins	56 hrs 10 mins
Items of private Members' business debated#	4	56
Matters of public importance discussed	2	38
Questions in writing	31	400
Questions without notice	70	1132
Petitions presented	1	95
Signatures to petitions	27	85,220
Divisions	5	139
Parliamentary committee reports presented	2	52

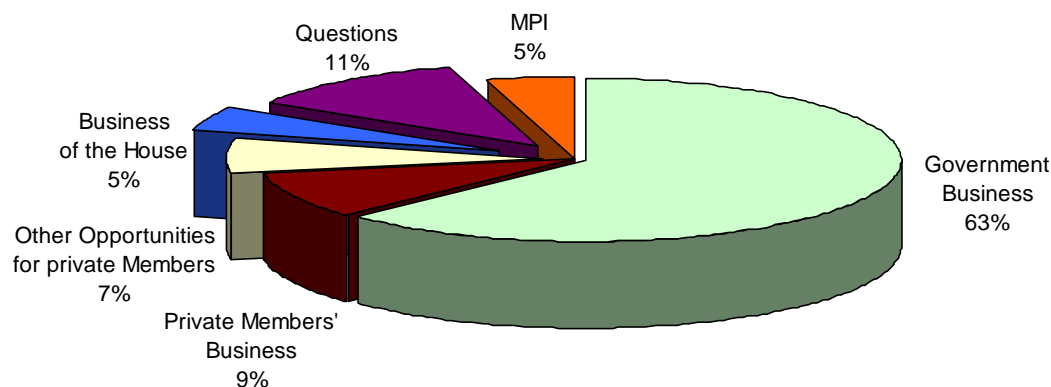
* Excluding time spent on suspensions of sittings.

† Includes Main Committee, see definitions on following page.

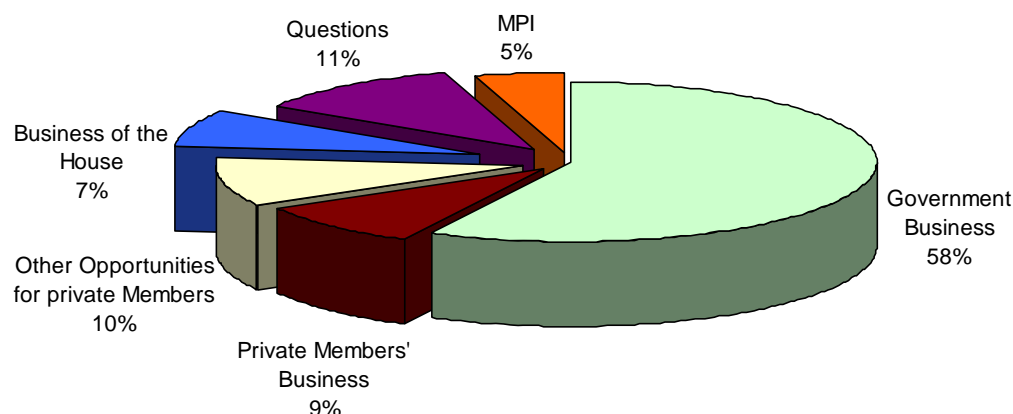
Does not include private Members' bills.

Business conducted in the House of Representatives

10 – 13 November 2008



2008 to date



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.