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Minister attendance at Question Period

The overall percentage and total number of Question Period sessions attended by each Cabinet Minister during the 1st session of the 41st Parliament (July 2, 2014 – July 24, 2014).

Attendance record

Question period occurs at 10:30 a.m. from Monday to Thursday when the legislature is in session. During this time, MPPs from all three parties can ask Cabinet Ministers questions to hold them accountable for government policies.

Minister	Overall percentage attended
Bradley, Jim	100.00%
Chan, Michael	91.67%
Chiarelli, Bob	91.67%
Coteau, Michael	100.00%
Damerla, Dipika	100.00%
Del Duca, Steven	100.00%
Duguid, Brad	100.00%
Flynn, Kevin	100.00%
Gravelle, Michael	100.00%
Hoskins, Eric	100.00%
Hunter, Mitzie	100.00%
Jaczek, Helena	100.00%
Leal, Jeff	91.67%
MacCharles, Tracy	100.00%
Matthews, Deb	100.00%
Mauro, Bill	100.00%
McMeekin, Ted	91.67%
Meilleur, Madeleine	100.00%
Moridi, Reza	100.00%
Murray, Glen R.	100.00%
Naqvi, Yasir	100.00%
Orazietti, David	91.67%
Sandals, Liz	75.00%
Sergio, Mario	100.00%

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Sousa, Charles	75.00%
Wynne, Kathleen	100.00%
Zimmer, David	91.67%

The rules

By law, government Cabinet Ministers must attend at least two-thirds of Question Period on the days the provincial Parliament sits in session.

Certain absences are not counted if the reasons are justified (e.g., illness, religious holidays, international travel for economic development purposes).

Report on attendance

Each session, the Premier must prepare and publish a status report that includes the attendance record for each Minister during that session.

Penalties

Ministers who miss a Question Period, for an unjustified reason, are subject to a \$500 fine for each day of non-attendance. By law, the Premier is responsible for issuing penalties.

These fines are collected at the end of a session, and are added to a general revenue fund where money is redistributed to support key provincial government programs like health care and education. To date, no Minister has ever failed to attend the required number of sessions, so no fine has ever been imposed.

Source law

[The Executive Council Act](#)

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