

## Two Slowest Legislative Sessions Since 1914 (So Far)

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Albany watchers thought last year's legislative session was slow. Not so fast! This year has been even slower.

Bill Mahoney of the New York Public Interest Research Group has provided us with a breakdown of bills passed this year and at this point last year. Keep in mind that Mahoney has previously noted that 2012 was a year "when they passed the fewest two-house bills since at least 1914."

Mahoney also notes, "Of course, the total number of bills is only one way to measure a session's success. The session will ultimately be judged by what they do on the biggest issues, including their response to the crime wave rocking the Capitol."

Passed Senate: 295  
2012 passed Senate through 5/19: 475

Passed Assembly: 235  
2012 passed Assembly through 5/19: 366

Passed both houses: 66  
2012 passed both houses through 5/19: 81

(5/19 was chosen since the legislature will presumably pass no bills between now and Sunday).

The Legislature could return to Albany and bring a flurry of bill-passing activity with it but signs [aren't looking great](#) for that at the moment. Looks like one of the first points of business for the Assembly will be to [vote on expelling Assemblyman Vito Lopez](#).

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