



Government defeats in the House of Lords

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Governing Party	Session	Number of defeats
Labour	2009-2010	14
	2008-2009	25
	2007-2008	29
	2006-2007	45
	2005-2006	62
	2004-2005	37
	2003-2004	64
	2002-2003	88
	2001-2002	56
	2000-2001	2
	1999-2000	36
	1998-1999	31
1997-1998	39	
Conservative	1996-1997	10
	1995-1996	10
	1994-1995	7
	1993-1994	16
	1992-1993	19
Conservative	1991-1992	6
	1990-1991	17
	1989-1990	20
	1988-1989	12
	1987-1988	17
Conservative	1986-1987	3
	1985-1986	22
	1984-1985	17
	1983-1984	20
Conservative	1982-1983	5
	1981-1982	7
	1980-1981	18
	1979-1980	15
Labour	1978-1979	11
	1977-1978	78
	1976-1977	25
	1975-1976	126
	1974-1975	Figures not kept

*A Government defeat is defined as a Division in which the tellers on the losing side were Government Whips.

Source: House of Lords Information Office FAQ's on Government defeats

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