

The Governor General's annual salary and allowances provided by the Parliament of Canada are \$48,666 and \$100,000, respectively. In addition, other expenses of office are provided for, including the salary of the Governor General's secretary.

The present Governor General is styled His Excellency Major-General Georges P. Vanier, D.S.O., M.C., C.D.

2.—Governors General of Canada since Confederation, 1867

Name	Date of Appointment	Date of Assumption of Office
VISCOUNT MONCK, G.C.M.G.....	June 1, 1867	July 1, 1867
LORD LISGAR, G.C.M.G.....	Dec. 29, 1868	Feb. 2, 1869
The EARL OF DUFFERIN, K.P., K.C.B., G.C.M.G.....	May 22, 1872	June 25, 1872
The MARQUIS OF LOBNE, K.T., G.C.M.G.....	Oct. 5, 1878	Nov. 25, 1878
The MARQUIS OF LANSDOWNE, G.C.M.G.....	Aug. 18, 1883	Oct. 23, 1883
LORD STANLEY OF PRESTON, G.C.B.....	May 1, 1888	June 11, 1888
The EARL OF ABERDEEN, K.T., G.C.M.G.....	May 22, 1893	Sept. 18, 1893
The EARL OF MINTO, G.C.M.G.....	July 30, 1898	Nov. 12, 1898
EARL GREY, G.C.M.G.....	Sept. 26, 1904	Dec. 10, 1904
FIELD MARSHAL H. R. H. The DUKE OF CONNAUGHT, K.G.....	Mar. 21, 1911	Oct. 13, 1911
The DUKE OF DEVONSHIRE, K.G., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O.....	Aug. 19, 1916	Nov. 11, 1916
GENERAL The LORD BYNG OF VIMY, G.C.B., G.C.M.G., M.V.O.....	Aug. 2, 1921	Aug. 11, 1921
VISCOUNT WILLINGDON OF RATTON, G.C.S.I., G.C.I.E., G.B.E.....	Aug. 5, 1926	Oct. 2, 1926
The EARL OF BESSBOROUGH, G.C.M.G.....	Feb. 9, 1931	Apr. 4, 1931
LORD TWEEDSMUIR OF ELSFIELD, G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., C.H.....	Aug. 10, 1935	Nov. 2, 1935
MAJOR-GENERAL The EARL OF ATHLONE, K.G., P.C., G.C.B., G.C.M.G., G.C.V.O., D.S.O.....	Apr. 3, 1940	June 21, 1940
FIELD MARSHAL VISCOUNT ALEXANDER OF TUNIS, K.G., G.C.B., G.C.M.G., C.S.I., D.S.O., M.C., A.D.C.....	Aug. 1, 1945	Apr. 12, 1946
The RIGHT HONOURABLE VINCENT MASSEY, C.H.....	Jan. 24, 1952	Feb. 28, 1952
MAJOR-GENERAL GEORGES P. VANIER, D.S.O., M.C., C.D.....	Aug. 1, 1959	Sept. 15, 1959

The Cabinet.—The Cabinet is a committee of Ministers chosen by the Prime Minister generally from Members of Parliament. By convention, all members of the Cabinet must either have seats in Parliament or secure seats within a short time and, again by convention, all Ministers in charge of departments of government must be members of the House of Commons. Ministers without Portfolio can be members of either House.

The Cabinet, under the leadership of the Prime Minister, directs the business of the Commons, initiates nearly all public Bills placed before Parliament, and has complete responsibility for the initiation of taxes and the recommendation of expenditures. Following established precedent or convention, it is always responsible to the Commons. When the Cabinet (the Government) suffers defeat on a Government Bill or a vote of censure or on a motion of want of confidence in the Commons, the existing Government or Cabinet must either resign or request a dissolution from the Governor General. If it resigns, the Governor General may call on the Leader of the Opposition in the Commons to form a new Government. Alternatively, if a Government that has been defeated in