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3.1 Duration and sessions of Parliaments, 1958-74

Order of Parliament	Session	Date of opening	Date of prorogation	Days of session	Sitting days of House of Commons	Date of election, writs returnable, dissolution, and length of Parliament ^{1,2}	
24th Parliament ≺	1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th	May 12, 1958 Jan. 15, 1959 Jan. 14, 1960 Nov. 17, 1960 Jan. 18, 1962	Sept. 6, 1958 July 18, 1959 Aug. 10, 1960 Sept. 28, 1961 Apr. 18, 1962	117 185 210 316° 91	93 127 146 174 65	Mar. 31, 1958 ³ Apr. 30, 1958 ⁴ Apr. 19, 1962 ⁴ 3 yr, 11 m, 20 d	
25th Parliament \prec	lst	Sept. 27, 1962	Feb. 5, 1963'	131	72 }	June 18, 1962 ^a July 18, 1962 ^a Feb. 6, 1963 ^a 6 m, 20 d	
26th Parliament \prec	lst 2nd 3rd	May 16, 1963 Feb. 18, 1964 Apr. 5, 1965	Dec. 21, 1963 Apr. 3, 1965 Sept. 8, 1965 ¹⁰	220° 411° 157"	$\left. \begin{array}{c} 117\\ 248\\ 53 \end{array} \right\}$	Apr. 8, 1963* May 8, 1963* Sept. 8, 1965* 2 yr, 4 m, 1 d	
27th Parliament	1st 2nd	Jan. 18, 1966 May 8, 1967	May 8, 1967 Apr. 23, 1968	476** 352**	$\left. \begin{array}{c} 250\\ 155 \end{array} \right\}$	Nov. 8, 1965 ³ Dec. 9, 1965 ⁴ Apr. 23, 1968 ⁵ 2 yr, 4 m, 15 d	
28th Parliament \prec	1st 2nd 3rd 4th	Sept. 12, 1968 Oct. 23, 1969 Oct. 8, 1970 Feb. 17, 1972	Oct. 22, 1969 Oct. 7, 1970 Feb. 16, 1972 Sept. 1, 1972	386 ¹⁴ 349 ¹⁰ 497 ¹⁸ 197 ¹⁹	$\left.\begin{smallmatrix}199^{13}\\155^{17}\\244\\91\end{smallmatrix}\right\}$	June 25, 1968* July 25, 1968* Sept. 1, 1972* 4 yr, 1 m, 8 d	
29th Parliament 🗸	lst 2nd	Jan. 4, 1973 Feb. 27, 1974	Feb. 26, 1974 May 8, 1974	418 ²⁰ 71	$\left. \begin{smallmatrix} 206\\50 \end{smallmatrix} \right\}$	Oct. 30, 1972* Nov. 20, 1972* May 9, 1974* I yr, 5 m, 20 d	
30th Parliament	lst	Sept. 30, 1974			}	July 8, 1974* July 30, 1974*	

¹The ordinary legal limit of duration for each Parliament is five years. ²Duration of Parliament in years, months and days. The life of a Parliament is counted from the date of return of election writs to the date of dissolution, both days inclusive (BNA Act, Sect. 50).

Date of general election. Writs returnable.

Dissolution of Parliament.

⁴Dissolution of Parliament.
⁴Includes long adjournment from July 13 to Sept. 7, 1961.
⁴Government defeated in House of Commons on want of confidence motion.
⁴Includes long adjournment from Aug. 2 to Sept. 30, 1963.
⁴Includes long adjournment from Dec. 18, 1964 to Feb. 16, 1965.
⁴House adjournment from June 30 to Sept. 27, superseded by dissolution on Sept. 8, 1965.
⁴Includes las day Christmas adjournment, 11-day Easter adjournment, and two long adjournments from July 14 to Aug. 29 and Sept. 9 to Oct. 5.
⁴Includes adjournment from July 7, 1967 to Sept. 25, 1967; Christmas adjournment from Dec. 21, 1967 to Jan. 22, 1968; and Easter adjournment from Mar. 27, 1968 to Apr. 23, 1968.
⁴Includes Christmas adjournment from July 25, 1967 to Jan. 14, 1969; Easter adjournment from Apr. 2, 1969 to Apr. 14, 1969; and summer adjournment from July 25, 1969 to Oct. 22, 1969.

¹⁹Includes two days devoted to committee work.
 ¹⁹Includes Christmas adjournment from Dec. 19, 1969 to Jan. 12, 1970; Easter adjournment from Mar. 25, 1970 to Apr. 6, 1970; and summer adjournment from June 26, 1970 to Oct. 5, 1970.

¹⁹⁷⁰ and summer adjournment from June 20, 1970 to Oct. 3, 1970.
 ¹⁹Includes one day devoted to committee work.
 ¹⁹Includes Christmas adjournment from Dec. 18, 1970 to Jan. 11, 1971; Easter adjournment from June 30, 1971 to Apr. 19, 1971; adjournment for committee work on May 27, 1971; summer adjournment from June 30, 1971 to Sept. 7, 1971; Christmas adjournment from Dec. 23, 1971 to Dec. 28, 1971, Dec. 31, 1971 to Jan. 12, 1972 and Jan. 12, 1972 to Feb. 16, 1972.

"Includes Easter adjournment from Mar. 29, 1972 to Apr. 13, 1972; and summer adjournment from July 7, 1972 to Aug. 31, 1972.

¹⁷⁷² ²⁰Includes Easter adjournment from Apr. 19, 1973 to May 6, 1973; summer adjournment from July 28, 1973 to Aug. 29, 1973 and Sept. 22, 1973 to Oct. 14, 1973; Christmas adjournment from Dec. 22, 1973 to Jan. 2, 1974 and Jan. 15, 1974 to Feb. 25, 1974.

Province	1867	1870	1871	1873	1882	1887	1892	1903	1905	1915- 1948	1949- 1974
Ontario	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
Quebec	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
Atlantic Provinces Nova Scotia New Brunswick Prince Edward Island Newfoundland	24 12 12	24 12 12	24 12 12	24 10 10 4	30 10 10 4 6						

3.2 Representation in the Senate since Confederation, 1867