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## 3.1 Duration and sessions of Parliaments, 1965-78

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 <sup>1,2</sup>
27th Parliament	{ 1st 2nd	Jan. 18, 1966	May 8, 1967	476 <sup>a</sup>	250	Nov. 8, 1965 <sup>a</sup> Dec. 9, 1965 <sup>a</sup> Apr. 23, 1968 <sup>a</sup> 867 d
		May 8, 1967	Apr. 23, 1968	352 <sup>b</sup>	155	
28th Parliament	{ 1st 2nd 3rd 4th	Sept. 12, 1968	Oct. 22, 1969	406 <sup>a</sup>	197	June 25, 1968 <sup>a</sup> July 25, 1968 <sup>a</sup> Sept. 1, 1972 <sup>a</sup> 1,500 d
		Oct. 23, 1969	Oct. 7, 1970	350 <sup>b</sup>	155	
		Oct. 8, 1970	Feb. 16, 1972	497 <sup>10</sup>	244	
		Feb. 17, 1972	Sept. 1, 1972	198 <sup>11</sup>	91	
29th Parliament	{ 1st 2nd	Jan. 4, 1973	Feb. 26, 1974	419 <sup>12</sup>	206	Oct. 30, 1972 <sup>a</sup> Nov. 20, 1972 <sup>a</sup> May 9, 1974 <sup>a</sup> 536 d
		Feb. 27, 1974	May 9, 1974	72	50	
30th Parliament	{ 1st 2nd 3rd	Sept. 30, 1974	Oct. 12, 1976	744 <sup>13</sup>	343	July 8, 1974 <sup>a</sup> July 31, 1974 <sup>a</sup>
		Oct. 12, 1976	Oct. 17, 1977	371 <sup>14</sup>	175	
		Oct. 18, 1977	...	...	...	

<sup>1</sup>The ordinary legal limit of duration for each Parliament is five years.

<sup>2</sup>Duration of Parliament in 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).

<sup>3</sup>Date of general election.

<sup>4</sup>Writs returnable.

<sup>5</sup>Dissolution of Parliament.

<sup>6</sup>Includes Easter adjournment from Apr. 6, 1966 to Apr. 19, 1966; two summer adjournments from July 14, 1966 to Aug. 29, 1966 and Sept. 9, 1966 to Oct. 5, 1966; Christmas adjournment from Dec. 21, 1966 to Jan. 9, 1967 and Easter adjournment from Mar. 22, 1967 to Apr. 3, 1967.

<sup>7</sup>Includes summer adjournment from July 7, 1967 to Sept. 25, 1967; Christmas adjournment from Dec. 21, 1967 to Jan. 22, 1968; and Easter (Liberal Convention) Mar. 28, 1968 to Apr. 23, 1968.

<sup>8</sup>Includes Christmas adjournment from Dec. 20, 1968 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.

<sup>9</sup>Includes 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.

<sup>10</sup>Includes Christmas adjournment from Dec. 18, 1970 to Jan. 11, 1971; Easter adjournment from Apr. 7, 1971 to Apr. 19, 1971; summer adjournment from June 30, 1971 to Sept. 7, 1971; Christmas adjournments from Dec. 23, 1971 to Dec. 28, 1971; and Dec. 31, 1971 to Jan. 12, 1972.

<sup>11</sup>Includes Easter adjournment from Mar. 29, 1972 to Apr. 13, 1972; and summer adjournment from July 7, 1972 to Aug. 31, 1972.

<sup>12</sup>Includes Easter adjournment from Apr. 19, 1973 to May 6, 1973; summer adjournments from July 27, 1973 to Aug. 30, 1973 and Sept. 21, 1973 to Oct. 15, 1973; Christmas adjournments from Dec. 22, 1973 to Jan. 2, 1974 and Jan. 14, 1974 to Feb. 26, 1974.

<sup>13</sup>Includes Christmas adjournment from Dec. 20, 1974 to Jan. 22, 1975; Easter adjournment from Mar. 27, 1975 to Apr. 7, 1975; summer adjournment from July 31, 1975 to Oct. 13, 1975; Christmas adjournment from Dec. 20, 1975 to Jan. 26, 1976; Easter adjournment from Apr. 14, 1976 to Apr. 26, 1976; and summer adjournment from July 16, 1976 to Oct. 12, 1976.

<sup>14</sup>Includes Christmas adjournment from Dec. 22, 1976 to Jan. 24, 1977; Easter adjournment from Apr. 6, 1977 to Apr. 18, 1977; summer adjournments from July 25, 1977 to Aug. 4, 1977; Aug. 5, 1977 to Aug. 9, 1977; and Aug. 9, 1977 to Oct. 17, 1977.

<sup>15</sup>Parliament still in session Apr. 27, 1978. Includes Christmas adjournment from Dec. 20, 1977 to Jan. 23, 1978; and Easter adjournment from Mar. 22, 1978 to Apr. 3, 1978.

## 3.2 Representation in the Senate since Confederation, 1867

Province or territory	1867	1870	1871	1873	1882	1887	1892	1903	1905	1915-1948	1949-1974	1975-1978
Ontario	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
Quebec	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24
Atlantic provinces	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	24	30	30
Nova Scotia	12	12	12	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
New Brunswick	12	12	12	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Prince Edward Island	...	...	...	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Newfoundland	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	6
Western provinces	...	2	5	5	6	8	9	11	15	24	24	24
Manitoba	...	2	2	2	3	3	4	4	4	6	6	6
British Columbia	...	...	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	6	6	6
Saskatchewan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	6	6
Alberta	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	4	{ 4	6	6	6
Territories	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
Yukon Territory	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Northwest Territories	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
Total	72	74	77	77	78	80	81	83	87	96	102	104