

Table 6-1

House Workload, 80th-115th Congresses, 1947-2018

Congress	Bills introduced <sup>a</sup>	Average no. of bills introduced per member	Bills passed	Ratio of bills passed to bills introduced	Recorded votes <sup>b</sup>	Time in session: Days <sup>f</sup>	Time in Session: Hours <sup>e</sup>	Hours per day in session	Committee, subcommittee meetings <sup>c</sup>
80th (1947-1948)	7,611	17.5	1,739	0.228	285	254	1,224	4.8	n.a.
81st (1949-1950)	10,502	24.1	2,482	0.236	543	341	1,501	4.4	n.a.
82nd (1951-1952)	9,065	20.8	2,008	0.222	364	274	1,163	4.2	n.a.
83rd (1953-1954)	10,875	25.0	2,129	0.196	271	226	1,033	4.6	n.a.
84th (1955-1956)	13,169	30.3	2,360	0.179	279	228	937	4.1	3,210
85th (1957-1958)	14,580	33.5	2,064	0.142	415	276	1,148	4.2	3,750
86th (1959-1960) <sup>d</sup>	14,112	32.3	1,636	0.116	382	271	1,039	3.8	3,059
87th (1961-1962) <sup>d</sup>	14,328	32.8	1,927	0.134	524	305	1,227	4.0	3,402
88th (1963-1964)	14,022	32.2	1,267	0.090	528	334	1,251	3.7	3,596
89th (1965-1966)	19,874	45.7	1,565	0.079	782	337	1,548	4.6	4,367
90th (1967-1968)	22,060	50.7	1,213	0.055	875	326	1,595	4.9	4,386
91st (1969-1971)	21,436	49.3	1,130	0.053	812	349	1,613	4.6	5,066
92nd (1971-1972)	18,561	42.7	970	0.052	934	298	1,429	4.8	5,114
93rd (1973-1974)	18,872	43.4	923	0.049	1,453	334	1,603	4.8	5,888
94th (1975-1976)	16,982	39.0	968	0.057	1,692	311	1,788	5.7	6,975
95th (1977-1978)	15,587	35.8	1,027	0.066	1,724	324	1,898	5.9	7,896
96th (1979-1980)	9,103	20.9	929	0.102	1,439	326	1,876	5.8	7,033
97th (1981-1982)	8,094	18.6	704	0.087	859	305	1,420	4.7	6,078
98th (1983-1984)	7,105	16.3	978	0.138	996	267	1,705	6.4	5,661
99th (1985-1986)	6,499	14.9	973	0.150	970	282	1,794	6.4	5,272
100th (1987-1988)	6,263	14.4	1,061	0.169	976	299	1,659	5.5	5,388
101st (1989-1990)	6,664	15.3	968	0.145	915	288	1,688	5.9	5,305
102nd (1991-1992)	6,775	15.6	932	0.138	932	278	1,796	6.5	5,152
103rd (1993-1994)	5,739	13.2	749	0.131	1,122	266	1,887	7.1	4,304
104th (1995-1996)	4,542	10.4	611	0.135	1,340	296	2,445	8.3	3,796
105th (1997-1998)	5,014	11.5	710	0.142	1,187	252	2,002	7.9	3,624
106th (1999-2000)	5,815	13.4	957	0.165	1,214	276	2,179	7.9	3,347
107th (2001-2002)	5,892	13.5	677	0.115	996	272	1,694	6.2	2,254
108th (2003-2004)	5,547	12.8	801	0.144	1,221	248	1,894	7.6	2,135
109th (2005-2006)	6,540	15.0	770	0.118	1,212	247	1,918	7.8	2,492
110th (2007-2008)	7,441	17.1	1,101	0.148	1,876	286	2,138	7.5	2,949
111th (2009-2010)	6,677	15.3	861	0.129	1,655	290	2,127	7.3	2,426
112th (2011-2012)	6,845	15.7	561	0.082	1,607	330	1,718	5.2	2,524
113th (2013-2014)	6,030	13.9	682	0.113	1,205	298	1,472	4.9	2,307
114th (2015-2016)	6,634	15.3	896	0.135	1,327	288	1,438	5.0	2,112
115th (2017-2018)	7,542	17.3	1,162	0.154	1,210	384	1,517	4.0	1,841

Note: Some data from earlier years/previous versions of Vital Statistics have been updated. See errata for more detail.

- a. This number includes all bills and joint resolutions introduced.
- b. This number includes all quorum calls, yea and nay votes, and recorded votes.
- c. Figures do not include the House Appropriations Committee for the 84th to 88th Congresses. House Appropriations Committee meetings included in subsequent Congresses numbered 584 in the 89th Congress, 705 in the 90th Congress, 709 in the 91st Congress, 854 in the 99nd Congress, and 892 in the 93rd Congress.
- d. The House of Representatives included 437 congressmen to reflect the addition of Alaska and Hawaii.
- e. Rounded to nearest hour.
- f. Days reflect the number of calendar days the House was in session.

Source: Congressional Record (thomas.loc.gov); Office of the Clerk, US House of Representatives; "Resume of Congressional Activity," Congressional Record, 80th Congress - 109th Congress; End of Session Committee Reports; Committee Websites; Office of the Historian - US House of Representatives.