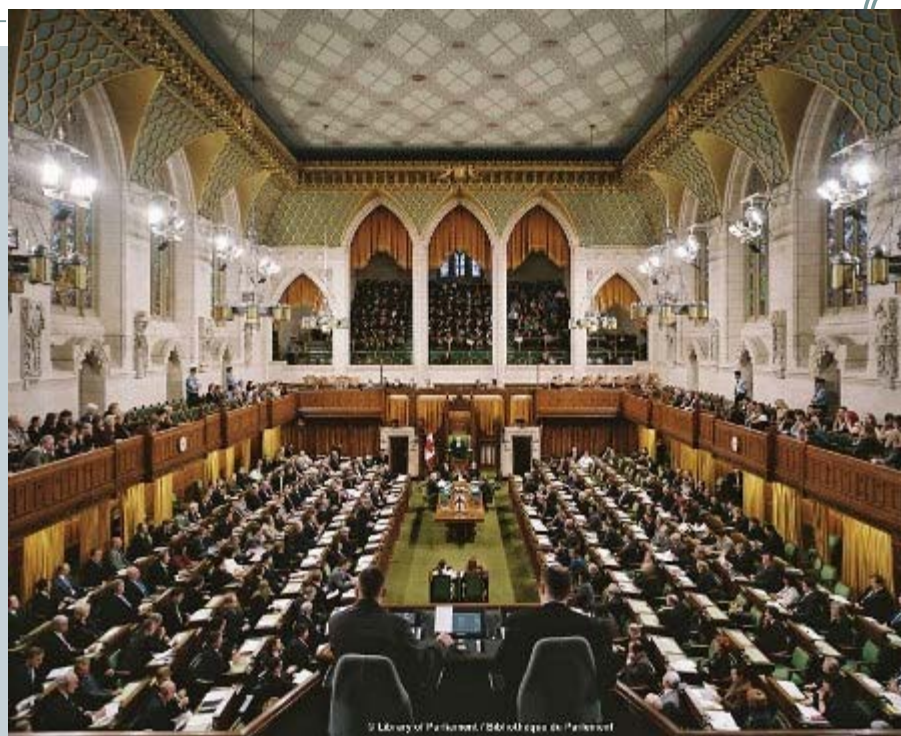


# The ~~Majority~~ Minority Report



MAJORITY VS MINORITY GOVERNMENTS



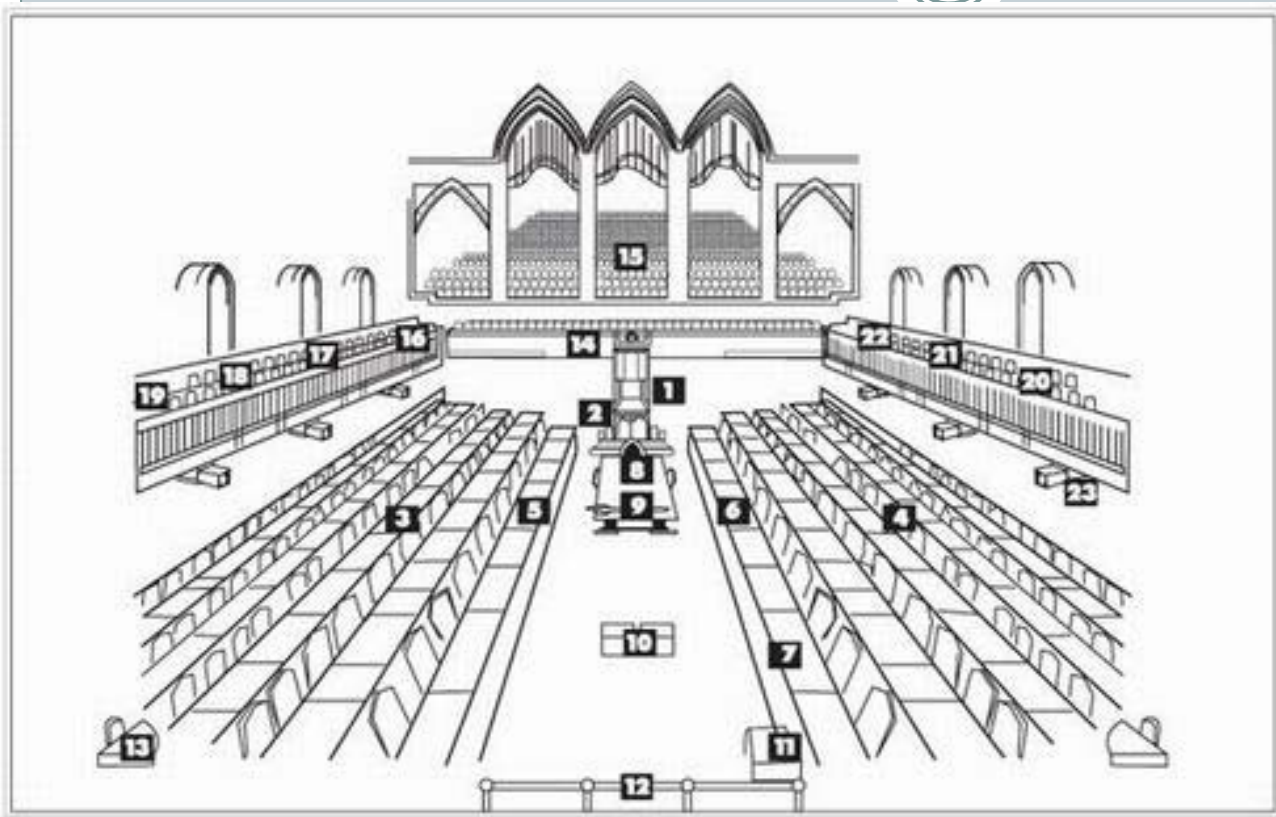


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1. Speaker
3. Government Members
4. Opposition Members\*
5. Prime Minister
6. Leader of the Official Opposition
7. Leader of the Second Largest Party in Opposition

# Who forms Government



- Usually the party that elects the most MPs
  - Must gain confidence of the house
    - ✦ Be able to pass supply (spending) bills
    - ✦ Choose the Prime Minister
- Majority Government –
  - following an election - 1 party wins more than 50% of the seats in the house of commons
- Minority Government –
  - after election, party has less than 50% of the seats but gains confidence of the house
- Today – 338 seats



- 1867
  - Total Seats: 180
  - Election Results
  - Anit-Confederates – 18
  - Conservatives – 100
  - Liberals – 62
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- Conservatives form Majority Government
  - Official Opposition – Liberals



- 1921 Election
- Total Seats – 235
- Election Results
- Conservative 49
- Labour – 2
- Liberals – 118
- Progressives – 58
- United Farmers – 3
- Other – 4
  
- Liberals form – Majority Gov't
  - why is this a tenuous position
- Official Opposition - Progressives



- 1925
- Total Seats – 245
- Liberals – 100
- Conservatives – 115
- Labour - 2
- Progressives – 22
- United Farmers – 2
- Other – 4
  
- Liberals form Minority Government with support of Progressives
  - - King/Byng Crisis
- Official Opposition - Conservatives





- 1963
- Total Seats – 265
- Progressive Conservatives – 95
- Liberal – 128
- NDP – 17
- Social Credit – 24
  
- Liberals form Minority Gov't with support of NDP
  - Health care was the NDP price
- Official Opposition – Progressive Conservatives



- 1984
  - Total Seats – 282
  - Liberals – 40
  - NDP – 30
  - Progressive Conservatives – 211
  - Other - 1
- 
- PC form Majority Gov't
  - Liberal Official Opposition



- 1993
- Total Seats – 295
- Bloc-Quebecois – 54
- Liberals – 177
- NDP – 9
- Progressive Conservatives – 2
- Reform – 52
  
- Liberals form Majority Gov't
- Bloc-Quebecois become Official Opposition.



- 2004
  - Total Seats – 308
  - Bloc-Quebecois – 54
  - Conservatives – 99
  - Liberals – 135
  - NDP – 19
  - Other – 1
- 
- Liberal Minority Government
  - Conservative Official Opposition



- 2011
  - Total Seats – 308
  - Bloc-Quebecois – 4
  - Conservatives – 166
  - Liberals – 34
  - NDP – 103
  - Green – 1
- 
- Conservative Majority Government
  - NDP Official Opposition