

Post-Communist Parliamentary Committees in Numbers

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Appendix 1.1

Committee Institutionalization Indicators

Indicator	Low	High
1. Structure		
a. Permanence	temporary	permanent
b. Principle of organization	other	agency parallel
c. Number	few or many	10-20
d. Size	40+ members	under 40 members
2. Membership		
a. Number/member	none or many	1-3 committees/member
b. Incumbency	low	high
c. Mid session changes	high	low
d. Constituency links	weak	strong
e. Member skills	not relevant	relevant
f. Member attendance	sporadic	constant
3. Party composition	majoritarian	proportional
4. Party relationships	unstructured	structured
5. Committee Autonomy		
a. Schedule control	no	yes
b. Initiate legislation	no	yes

c. Amend bills	no	yes
d. Minority reports	no	yes
e. Prior to floor	no	yes
f. Bicameral participation	no	yes
g. Intercommittee Coordination	Low	high
6. Floor Control		
a. % Bills referred to committees	low	high
b. Floor debate management	party	committee
7. Government Relations		
a. Meetings with ministers	seldom	frequent
b. Agency reviews	few	more
c. Require information	no	yes
d. Public hearings	no	yes

Appendix 1.2

Institutionalization Source Indicators

1. Institutional Legacy	Communist experience	Democratic experience
2. Policy Tasks	Complex; interconnected	Functionally specific
3. Party system	Fluid, unstable	Stable
4. Government	Centralized or factionalized	Flexible coordination
5. Parliament institutionalization	low	high
a. Party Membership	fluid	stable
b. Party Internal structure	undefined	differentiated
c. Leadership	unspecified	stable
6. Resources		
a. Rooms, space	small; shared	more; separate
b. Staff	few, shared	more, separate
c. Budget	low	high
d. Documentation	few	many, varied

Table 2.1

Standing Committees in the Hungarian Parliament With
Membership Size, and Government or Opposition Chairmanship,
1990-1997

Committee	1990 May			1992 Oct			1994 Nov			1995 Dec			1997 Dec.*		
	N	Chm		N	Chm		N	Chm		N	Chm		N	Chm	
		G	O		G	O		G	O		G	O			
Constitutional Affairs	26	x		25	x		27	x		27	x		27	x	
Interior Affairs	25		x	26		x	27		x	27		x	26		x
Foreign Affairs	23		x	23		x	27	x		27	x		26	x	
Defense	24	x		22	x		19	x		19	x		19	x	
Budgeting	26		x	26		x	27		x	27		x	26		x
Economic Affairs	26	x		26	x		27	x		27	x		27	x	
Social and Health Affairs	26	x		28	x		19	x		19	x		19	x	
Environmental Affairs	23	x		23	x		19	x		19	x		19	x	
Cultural Affairs	25	x		25	x		19	x		19	x		19	x	
Human Rights	25		x	25		x	19	x		19	x		20	x	
Education al Affairs	-	-	-	19	x		19	x		19	x		19	x	
Agricultural Affairs	-	-	-	19	x		27	x		27	x		27	x	
Immunity and Credentials	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	x		8	x		10	x	
National Security	-	-	-	-	-	-	9		x	9		x	11		x

European Integrati on	-	-	-	-	-	-	15		x	15		x	23		x
Auditing	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	x		13	x		14	x	
Employment	-	-	-	-	-	-	13		x	13		x	14		x
Social Organizat ions	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	x		16	x	
Constitut ional Preparati on	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25	x		25	x	
Total	223	6	4	287	8	4	334	1 2	5	375	1 4	5	38 7	14	5

Note:

*At the end of 1997 actual membership figures were occasionally lower because one of the parliamentary party groups disintegrated in 1997.

G = Government Parties

O = Opposition Parties

Chm = Chairmanship

Table 2.2

Stability in Committees in the Hungarian Parliament Second Term, 1995-1997

Committee	Committee Size End of 1997	Persons Serving in Committee		Members With Continuous Committee Service	
		Anytime During The Period N	% of Committee Size	N	% of Committee Size
Constitutional	27	35	130%	18	67%
Interior	26	37	142%	13	50%
Foreign Aff.	26	31	119%	21	81%
Defence	19	25	131%	13	68%
Budgeting	26	40	153%	16	62%
Economic	27	35	129%	18	67%
Social	19	24	126%	16	84%
Environmental	19	29	152%	11	58%
Cultural	19	26	136%	13	68%
Human Rights	20	33	165%	10	50%
Education	19	21	110%	15	79%
Agricultural	27	34	125%	20	74%
Immunity	10	16	160%	3	30%
Nat. Security	11	18	163%	4	36%
European Int.	23	32	139%	9	39%
Auditing	14	21	150%	9	64%
Employment	14	17	121%	9	64%
Social Org.	16	22	137%	11	69%
Const. Prep.	25	31	124%	12	48%
Total	387	527	-	241	-

Table 2.3

Number of Bills Referred to Committee and Number of Other Bills Discussed in Committee, Hungarian Parliament, 1995-1997

Committee	Bills Referred to Committee			Other Bills Discussed in Committee		
	1995	1996	1997	1995	1996	1997
Constitutional	56	46	86	5	20	14
Foreign Affairs	30	34	28	0	0	0
Interior Affairs	49	45	47	0	0	0
Budgeting	51	50	70	3	8	2
Economic Affairs	54	43	40	0	0	0
Defense	13	9	13	0	0	0
Social Affairs	21	31	29	1	1	3
Environmental	16	16	20	3	2	0
Cultural	16	15	21	0	0	0
Human Rights	17	25	35	7	1	2
Agricultural	41	27	7	0	0	0
Education	13	15	22	4	0	0
European integration	9	4	5	0	0	0
Auditing	11	8	9	2	1	0
Employment	17	25	24	0	4	0
National Security	3	3	3	1	2	0
Immunity	0	1	1	0	1	0
Social Organizations	0	0	0	0	0	0
Constitution Prep.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	417	397	460	26	40	21

Table 3.1

Committee Activities in the Polish Sejm by Term, 1989-1997

	X term* (04.07.89 - 31.10.91)	I term (25.11.91- 31.05.93)	II term (14.10.93- 20.10.97)	III term (20.10.97 - 30.06.99)
Standing Committees	25	24	26	28
Extraordinary committees	14	12	18	12**
Committee Sitzings				
Standing	2188	2132	6070	2230***
Extraordinary	244	151	452	
Committee Presidium Sitzings	691	678	1907	770
Subcommittee Sitzings	1261	860	3147	1031
Desiderata	167	82	280	154
Opinions	229	304	881	375 ****

Notes:

* X term is the term of Polish Sejm called "Contract Sejm" in which 35% of the membership was selected through free election. The rest were selected through communist lists of candidates.

**Ad hoc committees usually do not work for entire term.

***At the end of each term statistics are given for each type of committee separately; data for the III term not available yet.

**** Data for the III term are collected for the period 20.10.97 - 30.06.99

Table 3.2

Incumbents in Four Committees in Polish Sejm,
Terms I-III (%)

Term	Incumbents in Sejm	Percentage of Committee Incumbents In Selected Committees			
		Health	Education, Science and Youth	Social Policy	Culture and Media
I	23.4	8.3	25.9	14.2	16.2
II	34.5	13.7	14.2	11.9	31.0
III	48.6	28.5	38.4	27.5	20.6

Note:

"Incumbent" has served in the same committee at least twice.

Table 4.1

Parliamentary and Committee Incumbency of Members by
Committee, Czech Chamber of Deputies, Second Term

Committee Name	Number of Members	MPs in the Same Committee in Last Term		Served in Parliament the Last Term	
		N	%	N	%
Committee for Economics	20	6	30.0	9	50.0
Mandate and Immunity Committee	12	4	33.3	5	58.3
Committee for Petitions	19	1	5.3	4	36.8
Budget Committee	20	8	40.0	10	60.0
Constitutional and Legal Committee	20	6	30.0	7	50.0
Committee for Defense and Security	20	3	15.0	8	55.0
Committee for Social Policy and Health Care	19	5	26.3	7	42.1
Committee for Public Administration, Regional Develop. and Environment	26	5	19.2	8	38.4
Committee for Science, Education, Culture, Youth and Sport	26	6	23.1	8	57.7
Committee for Foreign Affairs	20	3	15.0	8	65.0
Agricultural Committee	20	7	35.0	7	45.0
Total	222	54	24.75	81	50.75

Source: Archive of the Chamber of Deputies, Parliament of the Czech Republic

Table 4.2

Number of Committee Chairmen by Party and Government Status
with Change in Government, Czech Chamber of Deputies,
Second Term

Government Status	Party Name	Number 2.7.1996	Number 15.3.1998
Government	ODS	5	#
Coalition	ODA	1	1
	KDU - ČSL	1	1
	US	©	2
	Coalition Total	7	4
Opposition	ČSSD	5	5
	KSČM	0	0
	SPR - RSC	0	0
	ODS	®	2
	Opposition Total	6	7
Independent		0	1
Total		12	12

Note:

© ---- did not exist at the time

® ---- was part of government coalition at the time

---- was part of the opposition at the time

Source: Archive of the Chamber of Deputies, Parliament of the Czech Republic

Table 4.3

Number of Bills by Committee and Source, Czech Chamber of Deputies, 1997

Committee	Total Number of Bills Discussed	Bills by Source		
		Government	Deputy	Senate
Committee for Economics	9	8	1	-
Mandate and Immunity Committee	-	-	-	-
Committee for Petitions	2	1	1	-
Budget Committee	23	16	7	-
Constitution and Legal Committee	22	8	14	-
Committee for Defense and Security	3	-	2	1
Committee for Social Policy and Health Care	11	10	1	-
Committee for Public Administration, Regional Develop and Environment	7	4	3	-
Committee for Science, Education, Culture, Youth and Sport	7	2	5	-
Committee for Foreign Affairs	-	-	-	-
Agricultural Committee	9	6	3	-
Total	93	55	37	1
Average	8.45	5	3.36	0.09

Source: Archive of the Chamber of Deputies, Parliament of the Czech Republic

TABLE 5.1

Number and Incumbency of Members of Standing Committee of the 37th and 38th Bulgarian National Assemblies, 1994-2001

Committee		37th National Assembly 1994-1997					38th National Assembly 1997-2001				
		Members	MPs WITH PARLIAMENTARY EXPERIENCE		MPs WITH EXPERIENCE IN THE SAME COMMITTEE		Members	MPs WITH Parliamentary Experience		MPs WITH Experience In the same Committee	
			N	%	N	%		N	%	N	%
1	Economic Policy	31	11	35	5	16	34	5	15	6	18
2	Budget and Finance ^a	23	11	48	5	22	32	3	9	5	16
3	Government Authorities	23	11	48	8	35	-	-	-	-	-
4	Local Self-Government, Administrative Division and Regional Policy	28/29	6	21	6	21	21	2	9.5	2	9.5
5	Foreign Policy and European Integration ^b	29/31	17	55	10	32	25	11	44	5	20
6	National Security	31	16	52	5	16	21	4	19	4	19
7	Human Rights, Religious Affairs and Citizens Petitions ^c	15/17	10	59	7	41	17	1	6	1	6
8	Agriculture, Forests and Land Reform ^d	25	8	32	7	28	25	5	20	4	16
9	Education and Science	25	9	36	6	24	21	4	19	4	19
10	Culture and Media ^e	17	7	41	7	41	17	5	29	1	6
11	Radio, Television and Bulgarian Telegraph Agency	23	9	39	8	35	-	-	-	-	-
12	Environment and Waters	15	6	40	2	13	17	N/A	-	3	18
13	Labor and Social Policy	23	5	22	2	9	22	4	18	3	14
14	Health Care, Youth and Sports ^f	16	4	25	3	19	21	N/A	-	4	19

15	Youth, Sports and Tourism	17	2	12	1	6	-	-	-	-	-
16	Parliamentary Ethics	13	4	31	-	*	-	-	-	-	-
17	Energy and Energy Resources	15	4	27	2	13	18	4	-	-	-
18	Control of the Incomes, Expenditures and Assets of Political Parties	12	6	50	4	33	-	-	-	-	-
19	Anti-Corruption	11	3	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20	Development of Mountainous, Semi-Mountainous and Border Regions	15/17	4	24	2	12	-	-	-	-	-
21	Legal Affairs and Anti-Corruption Legislation	-	-	-	-	-	21	3	14	4	19

Notes:

a-Financial Control was added in 1997, created by the Grand National Assembly (1990-91), a later re-instituted by the

37th National Assembly

b- Petitions was added in 1997, created for the first time by the 37th National Assembly

c- Integration Policy was added in 1997

d- Land Reform was added in 1997

e- Media was added in 1997

f- Youth and Sports was added in 1997

Table 5.2

Committee Activity in the 37th and 38th Bulgarian National Assemblies, 1994-2001

COMMITTEE		37 th National Assembly 1994-1997				38 th National Assembly 1997-2001			
		Meeting s	Bills Reported	Bills Amended	Bills with Final Reading on Floor	Meeting s	Bills Reported	Bills Amended	Bills with Final Reading On Floor
1	Economic Policy	73	146	13	63	24	27	17	17
2	Budget and Finance ^a	N/A	110	44	81	31	39	29	29
3	Government Authorities	112	137	24	39	-	-	-	-
4	Local Self- Government, Administrati ve Division and Regional Policy	60	30	11	12	12	16	1	1
5	Foreign Policy and European Integration ^b	N/A	133	0	17	15	22	2	2
6	National Security	N/A	12	4	6	23	11	6	0
7	Human Rights, Religious Affairs and Citizens Petitions ^c	37	37	5	6	8	18	1	1
8	Agriculture, Forests and Land Reform ^d	92	24	6	6	22	10	5	5
9	Education and Science	69	21	3	4	17	12	3	3
10	Culture and Media ^e	60	15	2	5	20	19	6	6
11	Radio, Television and Bulgarian Telegraph Agency	64	7	1	1	-	-	-	-
12	Environment and Waters	42	26	4	12	12	10	4	4
13	Labor and Social Policy	27	29	7	8	22	18	5	5

14	Health Care, Youth and Sports ^f	87	15	3	5	17	15	4	4
15	Youth, Sports and Tourism	53	5	1	2	-	-	-	-
16	Parliamentary Ethics	N/A	3	0	0	-	-	-	-
17	Energy and Energy Resources	42	11	1	5	16	4	3	3
18	Control of the Incomes, Expenditures and Assets of Political Parties	20	7	0	0	-	-	-	-
19	Anti-Corruption	36	3	0	0	-	-	-	-
20	Development of Mountainous, Semi-Mountainous and Border Regions	40	10	1	1	-	-	-	-
21	Legal Affairs and Anti-Corruption Legislation	-	-	-	-	29	49	18	18
Total		914	781	130	273	268	270	104	98

Notes:

a- Financial Control was added in 1997

b- Petitions was added in 1997

c- Integration Policy was added in 1997

d- Land Reform was added in 1997

e- Media was added in 1997

f- Youth and Sports was added in 1997

Table 6.1

Parliament and Committee Incumbency of Members of Estonian Parliament, by Committee, VIII Term, 1992-1997

Committee name	Number of members of committees	Committee Incumbency		Parliamentary Incumbency	
		N	%	N	%
Finance Committee	12	3	25%	7	58%
Economic Affairs Committee	12	3	25%	5	41.66%
Constitutional Committee	12	4	33.33%	6	50%
Legal Affairs Committee	10	3	30%	7	70%
Foreign Affairs Committee	12	4	33.33%	8	66.66%
National Defense Committee	7	3	42.85%	5	71.43%
Cultural Affairs Committee	9	1	11.11%	2	22.22%
Social Affairs Committee	10	1	10%	2	20%
Rural Affairs Committee	7	1	14.28%	1	14.28%
Environment Committee	7	3	42.5%	5	71.42%
Total	98	26	-	48	-
Average	9.8	2.6	26.75%	4.8	48.55%

Notes:

Committee Incumbency: Service on same committee in previous term as in current term.

Parliamentary Incumbency: Service in previous parliament.

Table 6.2

Legislative Activity by Committee, Estonian Parliament, VIII Term, 1992-1997

Committee name	Total number of bills discussed	Floor Action	
		Bills passed	Bills not passed
Finance Committee	197	127	62
Economic Affairs Committee	223	131	71
Constitutional Committee	189	91	89
Legal Affairs Committee	193	142	42
Foreign Affairs Committee	23	22	1
National Defense Committee	18	13	5
Cultural Affairs Committee	60	40	16
Social Affairs Committee	109	52	60
Rural Affairs Committee	33	23	9
Environment Committee	37	30	4
TOTAL	1082	671	359

NOTE :

TOTAL NUMBER OF BILLS INCLUDES ALL BILLS CONSIDERED BY COMMITTEES, NOT ALL OF WHICH PROCEEDED TO THE FLOOR.

Table 7.1

Changes in Parliamentary Parties in Lithuanian Parliament
1990-1992

A. Partisan Affiliation of MPs in AT-AS in 1990 Election

Parties	MPs elected	Of Which Sajūdis MPs
No party affiliation	73	67
LKP	41	19
LKP-TSKP	9	0
LSDP	9	9
LŽP	2	2
LKDP	2	2
LDP	3	2
Vacant	2	--
Total	141	101

B. Membership Changes in Parliamentary Parties, 1990-1992

Parliamentary parties in AT-AS, 1990-92	Registered in AT-AS Date	Membership at the end of 1990	Membership 8 May 1991	Membership October 1992
Centro frakcija (Sajūdis Centre)	21.06.1990	20	21	20
Kairiųjų frakcija (Leftist)	25.09.1990	10	14	9
Lenkų frakcija (Polish Faction)	23.10.1990	8	8	8
Jungtinė Sajūdžio frakcija (Joint Sajūdis)	19.12.1990	34	34	14
Tautininkų frakcija (Nationalists)	09.01.1991	-	12	9
Septintoji frakcija (The Seventh)	23.04.1991	-	14	18
Liberalų frakcija (Liberals)	08.05.1991	-	10	9
Sajūdžio Santaros frakcija (Sajūdis Concord)	30.01.1992	-	-	11
Tautos Pažangos frakcija (National Progress)	14.01.1992	-	-	9
Non-aligned MPs		68	28*	31

Notes:

On 11 February 1992, Kairiųjų frakcija was renamed LDDP frakcija (Lithuanian Labour Democratic Party); Septintoji frakcija was later renamed Nuosaikiųjų frakcija (Moderates); Tautos Pažangos frakcija was established by MPs who defected from Tautininkų frakcija; Sajūdžio Santaros frakcija consisted of defectors from Jungtinė Sajūdžio frakcija. See Appendix II.

*Highest estimate, exact data not available.

Sources: Sources cited in Žeruolis, Darius (1998), Appendix 1, and Lukošaitis, Alvidas (1997).

Table 7.2

Legislative Activities of Standing Committees in Lithuanian Parliament, 1990-1992

Standing committee	1990	1991	1992	Total
<i>Agriculture</i>				
Number of meetings	40	35	43	118
Legal acts handled	22	22	21	65
Legal acts amended	3	11	13	27
<i>Budget</i>				
Number of meetings	61	50	42	153
Legal acts handled	41	64	35	140
Legal acts amended	19	23	14	56
<i>Environmental protection</i>				
Number of meetings	47	57	43	147
Legal acts handled	12	22	24	58
Legal acts amended	2	1	3	6
<i>Economy</i>				
Number of meetings	n/a	11	10	21
Legal acts handled	n/a	26	18	44
Legal acts amended	n/a	22	11	33
<i>Defence and Interior</i>				
Number of meetings	n/a	16	21	37
Legal acts handled	n/a	21	16	37
Legal acts amended	n/a	6	9	15
<i>Mandates and Ethics</i>				
Number of meetings	23	16	24	63
Legal acts handled	4	5	6	15
Legal acts amended	1	2	1	4
<i>Citizens' Rights and Nationalities</i>				
Number of meetings	47	50	37	134
Legal acts handled	29	25	12	66
Legal acts amended	2	4	2	8
<i>Municipal Affairs</i>				
Number of meetings	36	34	24	94
Legal acts handled	31	34	27	92
Legal acts amended	13	13	7	33

Health Care and Social Protection				
Number of meetings	20	13	12	45
Legal acts handled	11	11	11	33
Legal acts amended	0	0	2	2
Science, Culture and Education				
Number of meetings	60	47	31	138
Legal acts handled	54	53	42	149
Legal acts amended	19	15	5	39
State and Constitution				
Number of meetings	10	40	32	82
Legal acts handled	17	32	11	60
Legal acts amended	10	11	4	25
Legal System				
Number of meetings	44	22	n/a	66
Legal acts handled	26	27	n/a	53
Legal acts amended	13	3	n/a	16
Foreign Affairs				
Number of meetings	69	67	52	188
Legal acts handled	23	20	16	59
Legal acts amended	2	5	4	11
Total				
Number of meetings	457	458	371	1286
Legal acts handled	270	362	239	871
Legal acts amended	84	116	75	275

Notes:

The record does not indicate the source of draft bills in the committees' archives. However, our assessment is that the Government was far less influential as a source of legislation in AT-AS than in the subsequent parliaments.

The term "legal acts" comprises laws and resolutions;

Archival records missing: a) n/a in the table = missing for the entire year - Committees of Economy (1990), Defence and Interior (1990) and Legal System (1992); b) less than one year - Committees of Budget (October-November 1992), Economy (May, and November 1991; March, July and October 1992), Defence and Interior (March and September 1991; September-November 1992); Mandates and Ethics (June-July 1991); Science, Education and Culture (March - 19 April 1991); Municipal Affairs (June 1991); Health Care and Social Protection (25 April - 15 October 1991, 15 April - November 1992); State and Constitution (March - August 1990); Legal System (June 1991).

Table 8.1

Party Share of Committee Officer Positions with Changes in the 13th Moldovan Parliament, 1994-1998

Party	Officer Positions		Change +/-
	February 1994	January 1998	
Democratic Agrarian Party of Moldova (PADM)	26	13	-13
Socialist Party and Movement Unity Edinstvo (PSMUE)	5	9	+4
Bloc of Peasants and Intellectuals (BTI)	0	0	0
Christian Democrat Popular Front Alliance (AFPCD)	0	0	0
Independents	0	13	+13
TOTAL	31	35	+4

Table 8.2

Comparison of the 13th and 14th Moldovan Parliaments

Factors	13 th Parliament	14 th Parliament
Number of Seats	104	101
Number of Committees	10	11
Average Number of Committee Members	9.2	8.9
Turnover Rate (%)	70.0	75.0
Deviation from Proportionality for Committee Presidencies (%)	26.5	5.0

Table 9.1

Number, Seats, and Size Range of Committees:
Selected Central European Parliaments

Parliament and Chamber		Committees			
Name	Size	Number	Net Change in Number	Total Number of Seats	Size Range
Bulgaria	240	20	-4	312	17 to 34
Czech Republic					
Deputies	200	12	1	222	11 to 26
Senate	81	8	0	98	9 to 11
Estonia	101	10	0	97	7 to 12
Hungary	386	19	9	375	8 to 27
Lithuania	141	13	0	158	8 to 13
Moldova	101	11	1	92	6 to 13
Poland					
Sejm	460	27	3	770	4 to 41
Senate	100	15	6	190	8 to 20

Notes:

1. Time period is middle of 1990's, usually in the third democratic term of office of Central European parliaments.
2. Number is at beginning of term.

Sources: Membership Directories for each parliament and data supplied by authors in this volume.

Table 9.2

Chamber and Committee Incumbency by Committee, by Selected Central European Parliaments and Committees by Terms

PARLIAMENT	Term	Chamber Incumbency %	Committees	Committee Size	Incumbency %	
					Chamber	Committee
BULGARIA	37 th	30.3	Human Rights	17	59	41
			Foreign Policy and European Integration	31	55	32
			National Security	31	52	16
	38 th		Foreign Policy	25	44	20
			Culture and Media	17	29	6
			Agriculture	25	20	16
Czech Chamber Of Deputies	1996-98	51.0	Foreign Affairs	20	65.0	15.0
			Budget	20	60.0	40.0
			Mandate/Immunity	12	58.3	33.3
ESTONIA	1995	49.0	National Defense	7	71.0	43.0
			Environment	7	71.0	43.0
			Legal Affairs	10	70.0	30.0
HUNGARY	1995-97	36	Social Organization	16	56	6
			Culture	19	53	32
			Immunity	10	50	10
MOLDOVA	1998-01	25	Legal Affairs, Appointments and Immunities	10	33	33
			Economy, Industry	10	33	33
			Social Policy	36		27.5
POLAND	1997	48.6	Education, Science, and Youth	35		38.4
			Health	29		28.5
			Social Policy	36		27.5

Notes:

1. Three highest committees in chamber incumbency of members are listed.
2. Committee size for Estonia includes all persons who served on committee in a single term.

Sources: Membership Directories and data supplied by authors in this volume.

Table 9.3

Party Distribution of Committee Chair Positions by
Government Status of Party in Selected Central European
Parliaments, by Parliament and Time Period

Parliament and Chamber	Time Period	Government Status of Party			Total
		Government	Opposition	Independent	
Bulgaria	37 th	18	2	0	20
	38 th	13	1	0	14
Czech Republic Chamber of Deputies	1992	11	0	0	11
	1996	7	6	0	13
	1997a	4	7	1	12
Estonia	1992	8	0	2	10
	1992a	6	2	2	10
	1995	8	2	0	10
	1995a	9	0	1	10
Hungary	1990	6	4	0	10
	1994	15	5	0	20
Poland	1996	18	7	0	25

Note:

1. Time period is whole electoral term, except for government or party changes midterm, without election, shown as a, b.

Sources: Membership Directories for each parliament and data supplied by authors in this volume.

Corrected 19 April 2004: Hungary 1994 Total

Appendix 9.1

Patterns of Committee Institutionalization

	Low Institutionalization			Moderate Institutionalization	High Institutionalization		
	Moldova	Lithuania	Estonia	Bulgaria	Czech Republic	Hungary	Poland
Committee Structure	Stable Undifferentiated	Fluid Differentiated	Stable Undifferentiated	Fluid Undifferentiated	Reorganized Differentiated	Stable Differentiated	Reorganized Differentiated
Committee Membership	Unstable Unspecialized	Unstable Unspecialized	Unstable Unspecialized	Moderate Stability Unspecialized	Moderate Stability Specialized	Stable Specialized	Stable Specialized
Party Composition	Mixed/Proportional	Mixed/Proportional	Mixed/Proportional	Mixed/Proportional	Proportional	Proportional	Proportional
Relation with Parties	Party Dominant	Party Dominant	Unstable	Party Dominant	Interdependent	Interdependent	Interdependent
Autonomy	Low	Low	moderate	Moderate	High	High	High
Floor Control	Low	Low	Moderate/low	Low	High	High	Moderate
Governmental Relations	Low influence	Low Influence	Low Influence	Moderate Influence	High Influence	Substantial Influence	High Influence
Level of Institutionalization	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	High	High	High

Appendix 9.2

Sources of Committee Institutionalization

	Low Institutionalization			Moderate Institutionalization	High Institutionalization		
	Moldova	Lithuania	Estonia	Bulgaria	Czech Republic	Poland	Hungary
Institutional Legacy	Former-Soviet	Former-Soviet	Former-Soviet	Satellite Repressive	Satellite Repressive	Satellite Reformist	Satellite Reformist
Transition Policy Environment	Complex	Complex	Complex	Complex	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate
Nature of the Party System	Single Party/ Fragmented	Single Party/ Fragmented	Fragmented	Single Party Discontinuous	Multi-Party Competitive	Fragmented/ Multi-Party Competitive	Multi-Party Competitive
Institutional Environment	Government/ Party Dominant	Government/ Party Influential	Government Dominant	Government/Party Dominant	Shared Authority	Shared Authority	Shared Authority
The Legislature as a Critical Environment	Unstable	Unstable	Unstable	Unstable	Stable	Stable	Stable
Resources Available to Committees	Low	Low	Low	Low	Moderate	Moderate	Moderate