

Table 1
Visible Minority MPs and Candidates, 1993-2008^a

	<u>1993</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2008</u>
% of Visible Minorities in Population	9.4	11.2	13.4	14.9	16.2	17.3
a) MPs						
Number	13	19	17	22	24	21
%	4.4	6.3	5.6	7.1	7.8	6.8
Ratio of % to pop. %	.47	.56	.42	.48	.48	.39
b) Candidates						
%	4.1 ^b 3.5 ^c	4.1 ^b	4.7 ^b	9.3 ^d	9.0 ^d	10.1
Ratio of % to pop. %	.44 .37	.37	.35	.62	.56	.59

^a Candidate data for 1993-2000 include the BQ, Liberal, Progressive Conservative, NDP, and Reform/Canadian Alliance parties; for 2004-2008, the BQ, Conservative, Liberal, and NDP parties.

^b Livianna S. Tossutti and Tom Pierre Najem, "Minorities and Elections in Canada's Fourth Party System," *Canadian Ethnic Studies* 34: 1, 2002, 85-112.

^c Jerome H. Black, "Entering the Political Elite in Canada: The Case of Minority Women as Parliamentary Candidates and MPs," *The Canadian Review of Sociology and Anthropology* 37 (2), 2000, 143-66..

^d Jerome H. Black, "The 2006 Federal Election and Visible Minority Candidates: More of the Same?" *Canadian Parliamentary Review* 31: 3, 2008, 30-36.

Table 2**Visible Minority Candidates in the Conservative and Liberal Parties, Incidence and Competitive Status, 2004-2008 (New Candidates Only)**

	<u>2004</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2008</u>
a) % Visible Minorities (of all candidates)			
Conservatives	10.7	9.2	11.2
Liberals	8.4	13.2	7.8
b) % of Candidates in Competitive Constituencies ^a			
Conservatives			
Visible Minorities	34	6	32
Non-Visible Minorities	38	22	23
Liberals			
Visible Minorities	40	15	6
Non-Visible Minorities	37	37	30

^a Constituencies that the party either won, or lost by 10% or less in the previous election.

Table 3
Visible Minority Candidates in the Conservative Party, 2008 (Competitive Constituencies and New Candidates Only)

<u>Constituency Diversity (% Visible Minority)</u>				
	<u>0-10</u>	<u>11-20</u>	<u>21+</u>	(N)
Distribution of Competitive Constituencies (row %)	56%	20	25	(41)
Number of Candidates	23	8	10	
Number of Visible Minority Candidates	0	1	5	

Table 4
Visible Minority Women Candidates and MPs, 1993-2008

	<u>1993</u>	<u>1997</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>2004</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2008</u>
a) Candidates (new)						
% of all candidates	3.2	--	--	7.4	7.3	6.9
% of all women candidates	4.3	--	--	13.5	15.3	11.1
% of all visible minority candidates	20.1	--	--	29.2	30.9	34.8
b) MPs						
Total (% of all MPs)	2 (.1)	4 (1.3)	4 (1.3)	8 (2.6)	10 (3.2)	11 (3.6)
% of all women MPs	3.8	6.5	6.5	12.3	15.6	16.2
% of all visible minority MPs	15.4	21.0	21.0	38.1	41.7	52.3