

## Effects of the 2013 Government Shutdown<sup>1</sup> on Federal Regulation

Date	# of pages in Federal Register	# of Proposed Rules <sup>2</sup>	# of Final Rules <sup>3</sup>	# of Significant Regulatory Actions <sup>4</sup>
1-Aug	307	14	21	2
2-Aug	353	16	10	2
5-Aug	374	18	11	4
6-Aug	497	6	16	3
7-Aug	257	12	11	5
8-Aug	315	15	30	6
9-Aug	196	9	15	3
12-Aug	313	20	10	2
13-Aug	248	14	19	2
14-Aug	295	11	8	0
15-Aug	249	9	14	2
16-Aug	409	16	20	3
19-Aug	728	6	15	1
20-Aug	607	14	20	3

<sup>1</sup> The 2013 Government Shutdown period lasted from October 1, 2013 – October 17, 2013.

<sup>2</sup> If an agency decides a regulatory action is necessary or appropriate a proposed rule is developed and typically published in the [Federal Register](#) at which point comments are solicited by the public.

<sup>3</sup> A rule is considered final once agencies have described and responded to the public comments it receives. The final rule is then published in the [Federal Register](#) with a specific date upon which the rule becomes effective and enforceable.

<sup>4</sup> Significant regulatory actions are defined in [Executive Order 12866](#) as those that:

1. “Have an annual effect on the economy of \$100 million or more or adversely affect in a material way the economy, a sector of the economy, productivity, competition, jobs, the environment, public health or safety, or State, local, or tribal governments or communities;
2. Create a serious inconsistency or otherwise interfere with an action taken or planned by another agency;
3. Materially alter the budgetary impact of entitlements, grants, user fees, or loan programs or the rights and obligations of recipients thereof; or
4. Raise novel legal or policy issues arising out of legal mandates, the President’s priorities, or the principles set forth in this Executive order.”



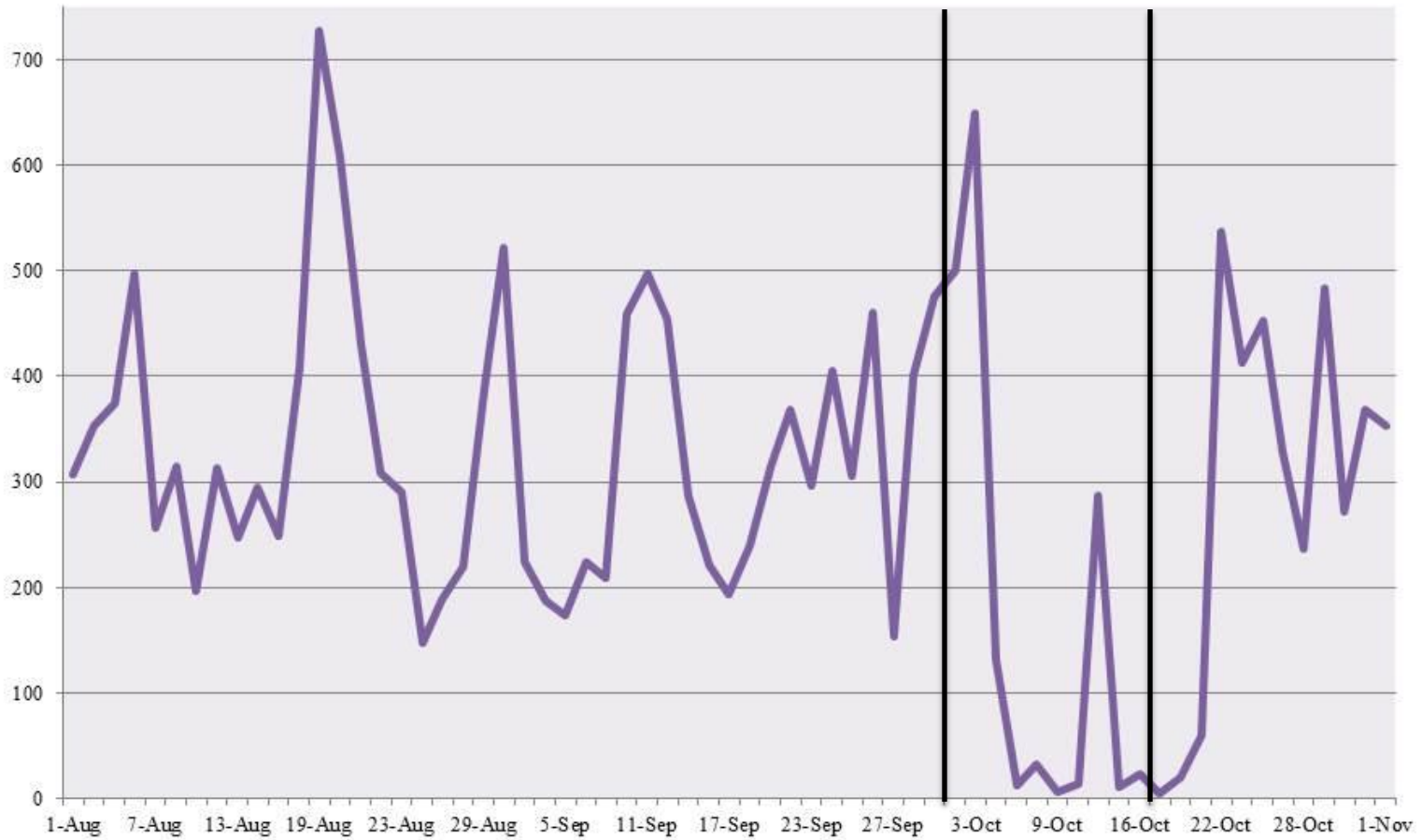
21-Aug	430	10	8	1
22-Aug	309	14	12	4
23-Aug	290	7	25	5
26-Aug	147	8	6	1
27-Aug	189	8	16	2
28-Aug	220	10	18	5
29-Aug	387	15	17	1
30-Aug	522	8	24	4
3-Sep	225	9	13	0
4-Sep	187	12	12	2
5-Sep	173	9	21	1
6-Sep	224	17	12	5
9-Sep	209	8	6	2
10-Sep	459	4	16	3
11-Sep	498	9	9	4
12-Sep	455	10	13	4
13-Sep	288	7	17	1
16-Sep	222	5	12	0
17-Sep	193	5	14	0
18-Sep	240	11	18	4
19-Sep	315	16	20	3
20-Sep	369	7	12	5
23-Sep	296	6	16	6
24-Sep	406	9	14	3
25-Sep	306	16	17	3
26-Sep	460	19	26	3
27-Sep	154	5	7	2
30-Sep	401	8	32	5
1-Oct	476	6	19	1
2-Oct	500	10	33	3



3-Oct	649	11	23	6
4-Oct	133	6	8	1
7-Oct	12	0	2	0
8-Oct	33	0	0	0
9-Oct	6	0	0	0
10-Oct	15	1	2	0
11-Oct	287	0	2	1
15-Oct	11	0	1	0
16-Oct	23	0	0	0
17-Oct	5	0	2	0
18-Oct	21	0	0	0
21-Oct	60	0	1	0
22-Oct	537	13	16	4
23-Oct	413	11	18	3
24-Oct	453	14	16	3
25-Oct	329	17	27	4
28-Oct	236	9	17	2
29-Oct	483	20	10	3
30-Oct	272	4	13	6
31-Oct	369	14	35	5
1-Nov	353	9	17	3



# Figure 1: Federal Register Pages Pre- and Post-Shutdown



## Figure 2: Effect of the Shutdown on Proposed & Final Rules

