

**Table 5.3. Example of congestion: when a mega storyline like 9/11 hits the agenda, congestion increases**

	<b>August 2001 Congestion = 0.151</b>		<b>September 2001 Congestion = 0.338</b>	
<i>Policy Topic</i>	<i>Stories</i>	<i>Proportion of Agenda</i>	<i>Stories</i>	<i>Proportion of Agenda</i>
International Affairs	53	21%	26	11%
Health	30	12%	6	3%
Government Operations	21	8%	16	7%
Law & Crime	17	7%	5	2%
Defense	15	6%	103	44%
Government Operations	14	5%	1	0%
Macroeconomics	13	5%	15	6%
Banking & Commerce	10	4%	9	4%
Arts & Entertainment	9	4%	5	2%
Sports & Recreation	8	3%	10	4%
Civil Rights	8	3%	6	3%
Education	8	3%	5	2%
Science & Technology	8	3%	4	2%
Environment	8	3%	1	0%
Transportation	5	2%	10	4%
Energy	5	2%	1	0%
Labor	4	2%	4	2%
Housing	4	2%	1	0%
Agriculture	4	2%	0	0%
Social Welfare	3	1%	1	0%
Churches & Religion	2	1%	2	1%
Fires	2	1%	1	0%
Public Lands	2	1%	0	0%
Weather & Disasters	2	1%	0	0%
Human Interest	1	0%	0	0%
Death Notices	0	0%	3	1%
Foreign Trade	0	0%	1	0%
Total	256	100.0%	236	100.0%