PMBOK 8th Edition vs PMBOK 6th Edition

Evolution from 49 to 40 Processes

PMBOK 6th Edition Processes

Knowledge Area	Initiating	Planning	Executing	Monitoring and Controlling	Closing	Total
Integration	1	1	2	2	1	7
Scope		4		2		6
Schedule		5		1		6
Cost		3		1		4
Quality		1	1	1		3
Resource		2	3	1		6
Communications		1	1	1		3
Risk		5	1	1		7
Procurement		1	1	1		3
Stakeholder	1	1	1	1		4
Total	2	24	10	12	1	49

PMBOK 8th Edition Processes

Performance Domains	Initiating	Planning	Executing	Monitoring and Controlling	Closing	Total
Governance	1	1	2	2	1	7
Scope		4		2		6
Schedule		5		1		6
Finance		3		1		4
Quality		0	0	0		0
Resources		2	3	1		6
Communications		0	0	1		0
Risk		5	1	1		7
Procurement		0	0	0		0
Stakeholder	1	1	1	1		4
Total	2	21	7	9	1	40

Why the Shift

Quality, Communications & Procurement are no longer separate domains. Here's why:

PMI is keeping only what's universally relevant across projects.

Most organizations already have standard frameworks for these areas (ISO, ERP, policy-driven).

Focus is now on what project teams directly own and influence — Governance, Scope, Schedule, Risk, Finance, and Stakeholders.