

Questions

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Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs): 1. No.

2. N/A.
3. N/A.
4. N/A.
5. No specific programs are in preparation at this time but feasibility studies concerning the possible use of computer services for several functions of the Department are in progress.

USE OF COMPUTER—DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Question No. 2,076—**Mr. Robinson:**

1. Does the Department of Justice have the use of a computer in its operations and, if so, to what extent is it utilized?
2. Is the computer programmed 24 hours per day and, if not for what reason?
3. What is the number of hours planned for utilization of the computer?
4. What has been the annual cost of computer services for each year 1960 to 1970 inclusive?
5. How many programmes are in preparation for the computer at the present time and how will each affect the efficiency of the Department?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice):

1. The Department of Justice shares on a time cost basis the computers of the Canadian Government Printing Bureau, and the Computer Services Bureau, and benefits from certain programmes run by various other federal departments and Canadian universities.

The CSB and CGPB computers are being used by the Statute Revision Commission in order to place the Revised Statutes of Canada on machine readable tape for the purposes of achieving a more up-to-date printing process. The CSB and CGPB computers are being used in the development of the CADEPOL (computer assisted drafting, editing and publishing of legislation) program. The Central Divorce Registry operations use the CSB computer.

The Department receives print outs and other computer outputs for such operations as pay cheques, accommodation and personnel requirement forecasts and PPBS guidelines from various other federal departments. As

well, the Department of Justice is participating in the development of jurimetrics in Canada, but this development work is done on university computers.

2 and 3. The Department of Justice does not control a computer and therefore these questions do not apply.

4. The departmental vote for time-costs for the use of CSB and CGPB computers has been

(Apr. 1/69—Mar. 31/70)	1969-70	\$ 80,052.00
	1968-69	26,670.01
	before 1968 if any	none
		\$106,722.01

5. The only programs in preparation are the above-mentioned computerized Revised Statutes of Canada printing and CADEPOL.

USE OF DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT—
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Question No. 2,077—**Mr. Robinson:**

1. Does the Department of Justice have data processing equipment (automatic) and, if so, for how long?
2. What was the initial cost of the equipment?
3. What yearly costs are anticipated for data processing in the Department?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice):

1. The Department of Justice does not have any automated data processing equipment as such. The Department does have one IBM 026 key punch and one IBM 2741 terminal which in themselves do not process data.

2. This question does not apply.
3. The answer here is the same as above.

USE OF DATA PROCESSING EQUIPMENT—
DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

Question No. 2,078—**Mr. Robinson:**

1. Does the Department of External Affairs have data processing equipment (automatic) and, if so, for how long?
2. What was the initial cost of the equipment?
3. What yearly costs are anticipated for data processing in the Department?

Hon. Mitchell Sharp (Secretary of State for External Affairs): 1. No.

2. Not applicable.
3. Various systems studies in progress strongly imply a role for automatic data processing in the Department and annual expenses for such equipment are estimated at an average of \$300,000 on a five year period.