

Questions

3. Annual Percentage Increase of Productivity Relative to Preceding Year Manufacturing, Canada, 1961-65:

Year	Output per Person Employed
1961	4.0
1962	4.3
1963	3.8
1964	4.3
1965 (preliminary)	4.0

Note: These figures reflect the latest revisions in the index of industrial production. For instance, the 1964 gain over 1963 on the old basis was 3.3 per cent compared with the revised figure of 4.3 per cent.

DEATH AGES

Question No. 1,620—**Mr. Orlikow:**

1. What was the average age of death for all Canadians—male and female—for the last year for which figures are available?

2. What was the average age of death for Canadian Indians—male and female—for the same year?

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):

I am informed by the Departments of Trade and Commerce and National Health and Welfare as follows:

1. The average age of death for Canadians in 1964 is as follows: Male, 60.8; female, 64.5.

2. 1964—Male, 33.67; female, 36.82.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE OFFICERS, ONTARIO

Question No. 1,641—**Mr. Saltzman:**

Have any employment officers of the Unemployment Insurance Commission and the National Employment Service been examined for the new positions of employment service officer of cities over 30,000 population in Ontario and, if so (a) how many (b) how many have passed exams (c) how many of those who passed possessed university degrees?

Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):

Except in the case of the competition noted below, only officers of the National Employment Service have been examined. (a) 645; (b) 446; (c) 65.

Note: A closed competition open to employees of the Unemployment Insurance Commission and the Department of Labour, including the National Employment Service, was held to fill approximately 75 vacant manager positions at various offices of the National Employment Service throughout Canada, including seven offices in cities in

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Ontario with population over 30,000. The classification levels of the positions advertised in this competition range from employment service officer 3 to employment service officer 8.

339 applications were received in this competition; 10 applicants subsequently withdrew, and 329 applicants were considered.

The number of successful applicants in the competition for each level of position is as follows:

Employment service officer 8, 2 (None have a university degree); Employment service officer 7, 2 (One has a university degree); Employment service officer 6, 13 (None have a university degree); Employment service officer 5, 16 (Two have university degrees); Employment service officer 4, 32 (Three have university degrees); Employment service officer 3, 43 (One has a university degree).

*NATIONAL INDIAN DAY DURING CENTENNIAL

Question No. 1,668—**Mr. Diefenbaker:**

Will the government set aside a day during the centennial year, 1967, to be known as "national Indian day", so that the deserved honour will be done to Canada's first citizens?

Mr. Albert Béchard (Parliamentary Secretary to Secretary of State): I am advised by the board of directors of the centennial commission that consideration was given to the establishment of special national days during 1967 and the idea rejected by the board on grounds it would be improper to single out any one group for such honour, and virtually impossible to provide special days for all groups which make up Canada's social fabric.

NAVIGATION SURVEY, NELSON RIVER

Question No. 1,690—**Mr. Stefanson:**

Has the federal government carried out a survey on the Nelson river to ascertain if navigation is possible and feasible and, if so, when and by whom was this survey conducted and what are the findings?

Hon. G. J. McIlraith (Minister of Public Works): Yes, in 1909 by Mr. E. S. Miles. The survey showed that to establish navigation would be an undertaking of considerable magnitude which could not be economically justified.