

2. Yes. The nursery facilities have been relocated in the basement level adjacent to the elevator lobby, and will reopen shortly. The lounge will be reinstated early next year in the existing east court area which is to be closed in for this purpose.

3. (a) No; (b) N/A.

CONSUMER DEBT 1960-69

Question No. 1,871—**Mr. Robinson:**

What was the total consumer debt for each year 1960 to 1969 inclusive and what was the percentage increase for each year?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports that: The Dominion Bureau of Statistics publishes a monthly bulletin on "Credit Statistics" (D.B.S. Catalogue No. 61-004) which covers only that part of consumer indebtedness as measured by the balances outstanding on the books of selected holders, such as, sales finance companies, consumer loan companies, the chartered and Quebec Savings banks, life insurance companies, department stores, furniture and appliance dealers, motor vehicle dealers, other retail dealers, oil companies credit cards and Credit Unions and Caisses Populaires. The attached table shows outstanding balances and the percentage increase each year, since year end 1960. It must be emphasized however that this data on consumer credit excludes mortgages, home improvement loans, and fully secured bank loans and it does not include the sizeable volume of debt arising from inter-personal loans, professional fees owing to doctors and dentists, bills for service by hotels, and transportation and utility companies, loans from brokers and investment dealers, and credit from the use of all-purpose convenience credit cards, for which statistics are not available.

According to a special survey conducted by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics and published as Catalogue No. 13-525 under the title "Incomes, Assets and Indebtedness of Non-Farm Families in Canada—1963" consumer credit accounted for about one-fifth of the Canadian family's total indebtedness while residential mortgages amounted to almost 75 per cent of the total, and other personal debt (fully-secured bank loans, home-improvement loans, medical bills, inter-personal (non-family) debt and unpaid taxes) composed the balance of five per cent.

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Table showing year-end outstanding balances of selected holders of consumer credit from 1960 with annual percentage increase.

Year End	Outstanding balances (millions of dollars)	Annual Percentage Increase
1960	4,020	+ 8.9
1961	4,250	+ 5.7
1962	4,694	+ 10.4
1963	5,270	+ 12.3
1964	6,056	+ 14.9
1965	6,943	+ 14.6
1966	7,556	+ 8.8
1967	8,372	+ 10.8
1968	9,584	+ 14.3
1969	10,837	+ 13.1

Source: D.B.S. publication "Credit Statistics" (Catalogue No. 61-004).

VANCOUVER INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT—PURCHASE OF LAND

Question No. 1,881—**Mr. Goode:**

Does the Department of Transport plan to buy a part of all the Burkeville residential subdivision located on Sea Island near the Vancouver International Airport?

Mr. Gérard Loiselle (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): The Department plans to buy only that property in the Burkeville residential subdivision which is required in the relocation of the road system.

CANADIAN PRODUCTION OF STEEL IN 1969

Question No. 1,915—**Mr. Matte:**

1. How much steel did Canada produce in 1969?
2. Was this a reduction as compared to 1968, and if so, what are the reasons for this reduction?

[Translation]

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports that: 1. Production of steel ingots in 1969 totalled 10,152,000 tons.

2. This was a reduction from the 1968 total of 11,109,000 tons. The Bureau is not in a position to state the reasons for the reduction but it should be noted that there was a strike of about three months duration at the plants of two of the major producers.