

**ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS**

The following answers, deposited with the Clerk of the house, are printed in the official report of debates pursuant to standing order 39:

**ORDERS IN COUNCIL PASSED**

**Question No. 74—Mr. Fisher:**

1. How many orders in council were passed from the 1st of July, 1956 to the 1st of July, 1957; and from the 1st of July, 1957 to the 1st of June, 1958?
2. Are any of the orders in council passed from July 1, 1957 to June 1, 1958 secret?
3. Do any of them vary, alter, suspend or abrogate any existing legislation?

**Answer by: Right Hon. J. G. Diefenbaker (Prime Minister):**

1. Orders of the governor in council passed from 1st of July 1956 to 1st of July, 1957 totalled 3,758 of which 1,912 were minutes of the treasury board approved by the governor in council; and from the 1st of July, 1957 to the 1st of June, 1958 totalled 3,165 of which 1,559 were minutes of the treasury board approved by the governor in council.
2. No, they are not secret.
3. Only when under certain legislation passed by parliament provision is made therefor in the statutes.

**CANADIAN AND U.S. RAILWAYS—BOX CAR DISTRIBUTION**

**Question No. 95—Mr. Chevrier:**

1. How many box cars belonging to (a) the Canadian National Railways; (b) the Canadian Pacific Railway, were in the United States on (i) July 31, 1957; (ii) August 31, 1957; (iii) September

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- 30, 1957; (iv) October 31, 1957; (v) November 30, 1957; (vi) December 31, 1957?
2. How many box cars belonging to United States railways were in Canada on the above dates?

**Answer by: Hon. George H. Hees (Minister of Transport):**

The following statistics have been prepared from the summary of freight car locations received in the Department of Transport from the Railway Association of Canada:

1. (a) (i) 10,633; (ii) 11,550; (iii) 11,058; (iv) 10,188; (v) 9,888; (vi) 8,602.
- (b) (i) 9,012; (ii) 9,781; (iii) 9,990; (iv) 9,800; (v) 9,315; (vi) 8,010.
2. (i) 6,599; (ii) 7,221; (iii) 6,653; (iv) 6,658; (v) 6,332; (vi) 5,556.

The answer to part 2 does not include box cars belonging to United States railways on other than Canadian National Railways and Canadian Pacific Railway lines in Canada.

**LOANS TO FISHERMEN, NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY, N.B.**

**Question No. 155—Mr. McWilliam:**

1. How many loans, and in what amount, were granted to fishermen of Northumberland county, (Miramichi) New Brunswick, under the fishermen's improvement loan act, each year, since this act became operative?
2. Of these loans, how many were granted by chartered banks and how many by credit unions or co-operative societies?

**Answer by: Hon. Donald M. Fleming (Minister of Finance):**

1. None.
2. Answered by No. 1.