ance that the construction of ships will be completed within the time limits and cost ceiling of \$252 million approved in the fall of 1970.

Fitting out of the ships in proceeding satisfactorily and deliveries from the shipyards are forecast for: DDH-280, 29 July 1972; DDH-282, end of August 1972; DDH-281, end of December, 1972; DDH-283, early June 1973."

The DDH program is proceeding within the budget approved by Treasury Board and as announced by the Minister of National Defence.

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY, TRADE AND COMMERCE PAYROLL

Question No. 198-Mr. Burton:

1. What is the total full-time payroll of the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce?

2. How many of these employees are earning more than \$18,000 annually, distributed according to \$1,000 intervals?

Mr. Bruce Howard (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): 1. Total annual fulltime payroll for the fiscal year 1971-72 is \$28,526,000.

2. Number of employees earning more than \$18,000 per annum as of February 1, 1972:

Number	Salary Range
	\$
195	18,001-19,000
41	19,001-20,000
42	20,001-21,000
24	21,001-22,000
79	22,001-23,000
37	23,001-24,000
23	24,001-25,000
13	25,001-26,000
23	26,001-27,000
11	27,001-28,000
13	28,001-29,000
1	25,000-31,000 (SX-2)
5	28,000-35,000 (SX-3)
1	34,000-40,000 (SX-4)
1	40,000-45,000 (DM-2)
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Total 509

The difference in numbers presented in response to this question and to questions 197 and 199 is attributable primarily to adjustments in employees' salaries over the time period in question due to revised salary rates, annual increments and promotions. Another factor, but a relatively minor one, is additions to enable the department to meet its increasing responsibility.

Note: Above \$30,000 information is provided by salary range only in order to protect privacy of salary information (for persons whose salary is directly related to performance) in accordance with TB Circular 1969-206.

EMPLOYMENT OF MR. MARIUS DION IN DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Question No. 457-Mr. Beaudoin:

Does the Department of Agriculture or one of its agencies have an employee in Canada by the name of Marius Dion and, if so (a)

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what are his duties in the Department (b) what is his annual salary?

Mr. Marcel Lessard (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Agriculture): Mr. Joseph Marias Alphonse Dion is employed by the Department of Agriculture as a P.I. 3 (Primary Products Inspection Group) in the contagious diseases division, health of animals branch at Montmagny, Quebec.

(a) Under general supervision he is responsible for the implementation of regulations under the Animal Contagious Diseases Act.

(b) Mr. Dion's salary range is \$8,519 to \$9,682 per annum.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS GUIDELINES FOR DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

Question No. 458-Mr. Nystrom:

1. Does the Department of Public Works have guidelines for the regional distribution of funds allotted under its Main Estimates 1972-73 for major capital projects and, if so, what are they?

2. Of the major capital projects, has Saskatchewan been allotted only one and one half percent of the total although its population is four percent of Canada's total and, if so, for what reason?

Hon. Jean-Eudes Dubé (Minister of Public Works): 1. In effect, the departmental main estimates as approved by the ministers constitutes the guideline for distribution of capital works funds. These estimates reflect the regional levels of activity which, in the case of the Department of Public Works, are dictated by the federal government activity in each area. Since it is a service agency, the Department of Public Works operations must parallel the requirements for accommodation as requested by other federal government departments and agencies.

2. At present, 1972-73 capital expenditure plans for the province of Saskatchewan total \$2,066,000 which represents 1.5 per cent of the total departmental budget for such works. This planned figure reflects the level of demand from client departments and agencies for increased accommodation in that province, as well as the level of improvements to existing accommodation which can be carried out at this time, given the constraints of the capital budget ceiling and the priority of similar needs elsewhere. It should also be noted that the planned figure represents only those capital works projects to be funded by the Department of Public Works, and does not include other projects to be carried out by the Department of Public Works but which will be funded by other federal government departments and agencies.

VISIT OF DR. LLOYD BARBER TO NEW ZEALAND

Question No. 493-Mr. Burton:

1. Did Dr. Lloyd Barber visit New Zealand recently and, if so, was his visit in his capacity as Indian Claims Commissioner?

2. (a) On what date did he leave Canada (b) on what date did he return to Canada (c) what were the dates of his stay in New Zealand and any other countries visited en route?

3. What was the purpose of his trip to New Zealand?

4. What staff accompanied him?

5. What was the total of the salary and expenses for Dr. Barber and each staff member who accompanied him for the duration of the trip?