

## Questions

## INCOME FIGURES, NORTHWESTERN ONTARIO

Question No. 2,436—**Mr. Reid:**

1. What are the unemployment figures for the past five years for the electoral districts of Kenora-Rainy River, Fort William, Port Arthur, and for the northwestern Ontario region?

2. What is the rate of income growth for the past five years in the above areas?

3. What is the comparison of the rate of income growth in the last five years for the above areas with the national average?

	1962	1963	1964	1965	1966
Fort William	2,294	2,128	1,841	1,471	1,316
Port Arthur	3,279	3,035	2,606	2,108	1,919
Fort Frances	607	508	563	531	439
Kenora	845	795	767	897	752
Northwestern Ontario	7,025	6,466	5,777	5,007	4,426

The areas served by the Fort William and Port Arthur centres approximate the corresponding electoral districts, and the area served by the Fort Frances and Kenora centres closely resembles the Kenora-Rainy River electoral district.

**Hon. Judy V. LaMarsh (Secretary of State):** I am informed by the Departments of Manpower and Immigration and National Revenue as follows:

1. Unemployment figures are not available for electoral districts.

Annual averages of unplaced applicants on file in the Canada manpower centres in northwestern Ontario are shown below for each of the past five years:

2. No income figures are available by electoral district to permit comparison but the following statistics of aggregate income reported on individual income tax returns are believed to cover approximately the area described in the question as the northwestern Ontario region:

District	Total income (\$000)		% Growth for 5 years (1959-1964)
	1959	1964	
Kenora	50,414	60,705	20.4
Rainy River	27,378	31,759	16.0
Thunder Bay	182,092	217,306	19.3
Total	259,884	309,770	19.2

3. The rate of growth indicated on a similar basis for the same five-year period for all Canada was 39.3 per cent.

## STUDY OF HIGHLAND VILLAGE, IONA, N.S.

Question No. 2,531—**Mr. Muir (Cape Breton North and Victoria):**

1. On what date was the study approved under ARDA to examine the feasibility of creating a highland village at Iona, Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia, and to prepare a plan of action?

2. Who is conducting or has conducted such a study?

3. Has the study been completed and, if so, on what date?

4. What are the results of the aforementioned study and what plan of action has been prepared?

5. What has this study cost?

6. What remuneration has been received to date by those carrying out the study?

[Mr. Speaker.]

**Hon. Maurice Sauvé (Minister of Forestry and Rural Development):** 1. December 21, 1965.

2. Professor H. Spence-Sales, McGill University.

3 and 4. The study is incomplete in that no report has yet been received by Nova Scotia. The province expects the report within the next two or three weeks. The results of the study and the plan of action will not be known until then.

5. The cost agreed to with Nova Scotia is \$6,000.

6. The payment of fees is arranged between the province and the contractor. The federal government has no direct relationship with the contractor; billings for the cost of the project are made by the province to the federal government.