Question No. 369-Mr. Nystrom:

1. For the fiscal years 1971-72 and 1972-73 what amount of the total expenditures for the Department of Agriculture were spent (a) outside of Canada (b) within Canada (c) in each of the 10 provinces, the Yukon and Northwest Territories?

2. (a) What was the total number of employees in the Department of Agriculture as of March 31, 1973 (b) how many of those employees would be considered employees of the headquarters and are employed on the (i) Quebec side of the national capital (ii) Ontario side of the national capital (c) how many employees does the Department have in each of the 10 provinces, the Yukon and Northwest Territories?

Hon. E. F. Whelan (Minister of Agriculture): 1.

	1971-72 (\$000s)	1972-73 (\$000s)
(a)	615	487
(b)	255,498	281,887
(c) Newfoundland	865	1,169
Prince Edward Island	3,868	4,218
Nova Scotia	3,370	3,455
New Brunswick	6,411	7,088
Quebec	60,653	80,122
Ontario	89,970	102,530
Manitoba	17,130	18,945
Saskatchewan	14,716	17,014
Alberta	22,772	27,234
British Columbia	11,396	13,360
unallocated as to province	24,347	6,752

2. As of February 28, 1973: (a) 10,614 (b) (i) 135 (ii) 2,536 (c) Newfoundland, 95; Nova Scotia, 279; Prince Edward Island, 207; New Brunswick, 397; Quebec, 1,341; Ontario, 4,511; Manitoba, 882; Saskatchewan, 846; Alberta, 1,115; British Columbia, 941.

FEDERAL-PROVINCIAL AGRICULTURE MANPOWER AGREEMENT

Question No. 412-Mr. Laprise:

Is there any agreement between the government and the government of the province of Quebec concerning farm manpower and, if so, on what date was this agreement signed and for what period of time?

Mr. Mark MacGuigan (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Manpower and Immigration): Yes, there is such an agreement concerning farm manpower. The federal-provincial Agricultural Manpower Agreement for fiscal year 1973-74 was entered into by signature of the Quebec Minister of Agriculture and Colonization on June 29, 1973, for the period covering April 1, 1973 to March 31, 1974.

IMPORT OF TURKEYS

Question No. 433-Mr. Howie:

What was the volume of turkeys imported into Canada from the USA during the period January 1 to March 1 in each year 1972, 1973 and 1974?

Mr. Raynald Guay (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): Statistics Canada

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reports that: Statistics on imports of turkeys are not tabulated separately in the Canadian trade totals but are included in a "basket" category entitled "Live poultry not elsewhere specified". This class includes ducks, geese, guinea and other fowls but excludes baby chicks, turkey poults and game birds (partridges, pigeons, wild ducks). Shown on the table below are figures for the above class as well as for the turkey poults which were imported from the United States in January and February of 1972 and 1973 and January 1974. The statistics for February 1974 are not yet available.

Number Imported from U.S.A.
27,390
89,650
150,268
133,690
198,284
140,810

AVAILABILITY OF REFRIGERATOR CARS

Question No. 436-Mr. Howie:

1. How many refrigerator cars were available for rail transportation of agricultural products on January 1 in each year 1972, 1973 and 1974?

2. How many refrigerator cars were purchased by CNR or CPR from January to December 31, 1973?

Mr. Joseph-Philippe Guay (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport): 1. CNR and CP Rail combined inventory of mechanical refrigerator freight cars is 1529; 1513 and 1506 as of January 1 of years 1972, 1973 and 1974 respectively. However, this does not include the rail fleet used exclusively to move agricultural products requiring heat protection in the winter and/or ventilation in the summer.

2. Nil.

***BEEF IMPORTS**

Question No. 441-Mr. Diefenbaker:

How many pounds of beef have been imported from (a) the United States (b) Australia (c) elsewhere month by month since July 1, 1973?

Mr. Raynald Guay (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): Mr. Speaker, in view of the lengthy reply I have to give, I would like to ask/that it be considered as read into our official report.

Mr. Speaker: Is there unanimous consent?

Some hon. Members: Agreed.

[Editor's Note: Text of foregoing reply reads as follows:]

Statistics Canada reported as follows:

Statistics on imports of beef by month since July 1, 1973 from the United States, Australia and elsewhere are shown in the table below. The figures include fresh and frozen beef and veal, cured beef, canned corned beef and