TABLE 82TREASURY BILLS AVERAGE YIELDS AT TENDER

	High	Low	Last issue	
FISCAL YEAR ENDED MARCH 31	per cent	per cent		
Three-month bills-				
1969	7.00	5.48	6.58	
1970	7.83	6.54	7.00	
1971	7.02	2.99	3.02	
1972	4.06	2.96	3.57	
1973	4.46	3.42	4.46	
Six-month bills-				
1969	7.01	5.43	6.80	
1970	7.93	6.74	6.76	
1971	6.82	3.08	3.08	
1972	4.27	3.13	3.86	
1973	4.79	3.72	4.79	
Special bills-				
1969	6.53	5.90	5.90	
1970	8.01	7.46	8.01	
1971	6.80	4.77	4.98	
1972	4.39	3.60	4.39	
1973	4.77	4.36	4.77	

Indirect debt or contingent liabilities

In addition to the direct debt set out in the statement of assets and liabilities, the government has assumed certain indirect or contingent liabilities. These consist of securities of the Canadian National Railways guaranteed as to principal and interest, and a number of miscellaneous guarantees, the chief of which are the guarantee of insured loans made by chartered banks and other approved lending institutions under the National Housing Act, advances under the Export Development Act, bank loans under the Canada Student Loans Act and the Farm Improvements Loans Act and bank loans to the Canadian Wheat Board.

TABLE 83 CONTINGENT LIABILITIES (in millions of dollars)

	Amount of Guarantee	Amount Outstanding
Railway securities guaranteed as to principal and interest-		
Canadian National 3 ³ / ₄ % due February 1, 1974	200.0	200.0
Canadian National 2 ³ / ₄ % due June 15, 1975, U.S. \$6,000,000 ⁽¹⁾	6.0	6.0
Canadian National 5% due May 15, 1977	75.7	75.7
Canadian National 4% due February 1, 1981	300.0	300.0
Canadian National 54% due January 1, 1985	88.0	88.0
Canadian National 5% due October 1, 1987	139.8	139.8
Grand Trunk Western Railroad Company	5.4	5.4
	814.9	814.9
Loans made by lenders under Part IV of the National Housing Act, 1954 for home extension		
and improvement ⁽²⁾	30.0	23.5
Insured loans made by approved lenders under the National Housing Act, 1954(2)(3)	16,000.0	10,056.0
Liability for insurance and guarantees under the Export Development Act ⁽²⁾	1,150.0	654.8
Loans made by chartered banks and credit unions under the Farm Improvement Loans Act	1,068.6	272.1
Loans made by chartered banks and credit unions under the Fisheries Improvement Loans Act	11.4	2.4
Loans made by chartered banks under the Small Businesses Loans Act	58.1	20.7
Loans made by chartered banks and credit unions under the Canada Student Loans Act ⁽⁴⁾	398.0	398.0
Loans made by chartered banks to the Canadian Wheat Board	800.0	436.5
Loans made by lenders under the Cape Breton Development Act	30.0	28.5
Loans made by lenders under the General Adjustment Assistance Program Loans made by lenders under the Regional Development Incentives Act and the	250.0	24.9
Regional Economic Expansion Act	1.0	1.0
	20,612.0	12,733.3
coans maintained by approved lending institutions under National Housing Acts prior to 1954 Act		

(1) Liability is subject to exchange rate in effect June 15, 1975.

(2) As of December 31, 1972.

(3) As reported by approved lenders as of December 31, 1972.

(4) Includes contingent liability in respect of alternative payments to non-participating province.

(5) As of December 31, 1972, funds totalling \$7,003,991 were held by the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation for the purpose of settling claims. In 1972 rental contracts totalled \$3,301,000.