

## Order Paper Questions

Province	1(a) Number of Approved Projects	1(b) Number of Applications Received	1(c) Number of Projects Rejected	1(d) Number of Outstanding Projects	2(a) Value of Approved Projects
Ontario.....	1,256	2,617	1,361	—	24,910,497
Manitoba.....	243	533	290	—	6,861,195
Alberta.....	279	733	454	—	7,748,788
Saskatchewan.....	183	379	196	—	5,142,828
Northwest Territories.....	41	78	37	—	1,097,393
British Columbia.....	913	1,740	727	—	18,980,331
Yukon.....	34	58	24	—	654,219

NOTE: The figures shown in the column headed "No. of Projects rejected" also include those projects that were withdrawn or cancelled by the sponsors after submission.

[English]

## UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE COMMISSION—SICKNESS BENEFITS

Question No. 1,017—Mr. Hueglin:

For each month between January 1, 1972 and the latest month for which statistics are available (a) how much was paid in sickness benefits (b) how many individuals received sickness benefits (c) how much was paid for maternity benefits (d) how many individuals received maternity benefits?

Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister of Manpower and Immigration):

	Benefit Payments (\$000)	Initial Claims Established
	(a) Sickness	(b) Sickness
January 1972	2,523	7,601
February	4,215	14,316
March	6,142	17,977
April	5,481	12,982
May	5,715	12,993
June	5,293	13,619
July	4,482	12,141
August	4,624	10,719
September	4,210	8,015
October	5,193	8,608
November	5,516	9,872
December	*5,461	*9,287

  

	(c) Maternity	(d) Maternity
	January 1972	1,886
February	2,363	2,866
March	2,835	3,279
April	2,436	2,670
May	2,730	2,748
June	2,656	2,851
July	2,334	2,740
August	2,885	3,077
September	3,127	3,500
October	4,026	3,814
November	4,689	4,212
December	*4,464	*3,857

\*These are preliminary figures and may be subject to change.

[Mr. Andras.]

## UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE COMMISSION—PREMIUM RATE

Question No. 1,021—Mr. Hueglin:

Is the Unemployment Insurance Commission considering an increase in employer-employee contributions and, if so (a) what is the amount of the increase (b) on what date will it come into effect?

Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): The Commission will not be making any changes to the premium rate or maximum benefit payable for 1973; (a) not applicable; (b) not applicable.

## PROJECT SAMSON

Question No. 1,044—Mr. Rowland:

1. What percentage of the \$52,000,000 cost of Project SAMSON will be spent in Canada?
2. By province, how will this expenditure be distributed?
3. Do specifications for the tenders include formal regional distribution requirements?

Hon. Jean-Pierre Goyer (Minister of Supply and Services): 1. Contracts for Project SAMSON will be awarded as a result of competitions among qualified Canadian companies. Until such time as these competitions are held and contracts are awarded, it is not possible to establish what percentage of the cost of Project SAMSON will be spent in Canada. It is known, however, that the potential exists for a high level of Canadian industrial involvement. This will be brought about either directly for goods and services used in SAMSON, or through offset production arrangements outside the project.

2. Similarly, distribution of expenditure by province cannot be established until the contracts are awarded. The three main switching centers will be located in Nova Scotia, Ontario and Alberta. SAMSON terminal locations are distributed across the country and a significant effort will be expended in each province for construction, installation and test, power and air conditioning.

3. The invitation to tender will request bidders to indicate the regional distribution of their Canadian content.

## LIP PROJECT "HANDICO À QUÉBEC"

Question No. 1,192—Mr. Lambert (Bellechasse):

1. What is the purpose of the LIP project "Handico à Québec", to which grants of \$161,226 were made for a first project and \$200,000 for a second project?
2. What are the names and addresses of those responsible for the projects?