

Questions

6. In calculating the cost of courses, the following costs may be included: salaries and other benefits for instructors, supervisors, administrators, and support staff; materials, tools, supplies and teaching aids; rental of space and equipment; travel of instructors and teachers; maintenance, repair and minor renovations; cost of providing power, gas and water and other services; interest on loans raised for the purpose of providing facilities; depreciation; residences; and provincial administrative costs. Details of the amount paid for each cost component are not separately identified in our records.

7. Courses offered to the public were as follows: (a) In Quebec, Basic educational upgrading—Grades 7 to 11; skilled development courses in 65 trades and occupations; language courses for immigrants; apprenticeship courses in some 30 trades; and upgrading courses in agriculture. (b) In Pontiac, Manpower clients from the constituency of Pontiac were sent to other centres for training on trainee travel grants. Of the 39 trainees, 26 were enrolled in meat-cutting and heavy equipment operator training courses. Of the 41,277 trainees in Quebec, 32,733 were males. Of the 39 trainees from Pontiac constituency, 38 were males.

8. The distribution of trainees by age is as follows:

	Quebec	Pontiac
19 years and under	7.8%	0%
20 to 24 years	30.0%	18%
25 to 44 years	46.5%	82%
45 years and over	10.8%	0%
Age not reported	4.9%	0%

9. The large majority of Quebec clients of Canada Manpower Centres receiving training in the 1967-68 fiscal year entered classes during the winter season. The time lapse since their re-entry into the labour market is of such short duration that accurate details on their improved employability as a result of their training are not available yet. Departmental studies to determine the degree of this increased employability are underway.

[English]

COLLECTION OF PROVINCIAL INCOME TAX

Question No. 739—**Mr. Gauthier:**

1. At the federal provincial conference, held on November 4 and 5, 1968, did the federal government obtain permission from the provinces to collect their income taxes for a period of 5 years?

2. What is the date of the first agreement, did the Province of Quebec agree to it and what was the intended duration of this agreement?

[**Mr. MacEachen:**]

3. Were there other requests for extensions and, if so (a) on what dates (b) did the Province of Quebec always agree?

4. What percentage of these taxes has Quebec recovered since ratification by the provinces of this agreement (a) on succession duties (b) on corporate income (c) on individual income?

Hon. E. J. Benson (Minister of Finance):

1. Those provinces that were parties to the existing tax collection agreements indicated their intention to enter into an amending agreement to extend the collection arrangements for an indefinite period subject to termination by Canada or a province on due notice being given.

2. The first agreements were for a period of five years with effect from January 1, 1962. Quebec did not enter into such an agreement.

3. The agreements were renewed for a further period of two years with effect from January 1, 1967. Quebec did not enter into an agreement.

4. The tax collection agreements do not cover succession duties. The agreements cover the collection of taxes on individual incomes and on corporation incomes.

Quebec has collected her own individual and corporation income taxes at rates determined by that province. During the years covered by the tax collection agreements and to facilitate the provinces imposing their own taxes, the Government of Canada has, since 1961, abated: (a) its individual income tax payable by the following percentage points for the years specified:

	In Quebec	In other provinces
1962	16	16
1963	17	17
1964	18	18
1965	44	21
1966	47	24
1967	50	28
and subsequent years		

(b) its corporation income tax rate by the following per cents for the years specified:

	In Quebec	In other provinces
1962-66	10	9
1967	10	10
and subsequent years		

The larger abatements to Quebec were associated with contracting out arrangements. The larger abatement in the individual income tax field was associated with youth allowances and the shared cost programs specified