

Order Paper Questions

Province	(1) OAS Pensioners	(2) GIS Recipients	(3) Maximum GIS Recipients	(4) Average GIS Payment	(5)
					Quarterly Average Number of OAS Pensioners Paid While Outside Canada December 1973
British Columbia	218,104	122,809	48,799	\$ 57.49	2,677
North West Territories	917	764	631	71.85	1
Yukon	530	331	231	66.23	10
National	1,850,516	1,077,076	480,462	59.97	15,089

SOURCE: DSS Statistical Report for December 1973.

NEWSPRINT DISTRIBUTION RESEARCH

Question No. 39—Mr. Hellyer:

1. Has the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce undertaken a study entitled "Newsprint Distribution Research"?
  2. Does the planned research include all newsprint origins in Eastern Canada or just some and, if the latter, which ones?
  3. What is the estimated cost of the study?
- What are the names and qualifications of the principal personnel engaged in the study?
5. Has any computer time been purchased and, if so, from what companies or institutions?

**Mr. Raynald Guay (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce):** 1. As part of the government's strategy to improve the international competitiveness of Canada's pulp and paper industry, the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce is contributing to the cost of an investigation of possible methods of reducing distribution costs for the movement of newsprint from Eastern Canada to customers in the United States. Marketing is not included. Under the Trade/Industrial Program, contributions are being made to the Canadian National Railways and to Newsprint Distribution Research, which are conducting separate parts of the investigation at arms length. Newsprint Distribution Research is a non-profit association established on May 1, 1973, to carry out the investigation. Principals are a group of five newsprint companies operating mills in Ontario, Quebec, Manitoba and Newfoundland: Anglo-Canadian Pulp and Paper Mills Limited, The Price Company Limited, Domtar Limited, Abitibi Paper Company Limited, Consolidated-Bathurst Limited.

2. The study covers newsprint originating in mills of the principals. Subsequently, if results indicate significant economies, all newsprint producers in Eastern Canada will be invited to participate in the formation of a co-operative distribution organization.

3. Estimated cost of the project is expected to total about \$1 million of which the Crown is contributing approximately \$500 thousand. The government portion is repayable if the project results lead to the formation of a distribution organization.

4. The Chairman of Newsprint Distribution Research is Mr. J. P. Lunderville, Vice-President, Engineering, Purchasing and Transportation, Domtar Limited. Mr. S. French, seconded from Domtar Limited where he was Director of Transportation, is full time Project Director. Both have many years experience in the manufacture and distribution of forest products. The Project Director of the Canadian National section of the project is Mr. Walter Wynne, a senior rail systems planning specialist with the railroad.

5. No computer time has been purchased to date.

CLOSURE OF POST OFFICES IN ONTARIO

Question No. 42—Mr. Cossitt:

1. How many post offices have been closed by the government in the Province of Ontario since April 20, 1968?
2. In what municipality and in what electoral district are each of these post offices located?

**Hon. André Ouellet (Postmaster General):** 1. April 1968-September 1970, 327; October 1970-Present, 55. The program to close small post offices ended in September 1970. Closings since that date are due to factors such as inauguration of letter carrier or rural delivery to meet public request, amalgamation of communities, dwindling populations, inability to recruit replacement on death or retirement of former postmaster, etc.

2. Nipissing, 10; Goma, 18; Cochrane, 17; Thunder Bay, 6; Kenora-Rainy River, 2; Frontenac-Lennox-Addington, 22; Grenville-Carleton, 5; Lanark-Renfrew-Carleton, 14; Northumberland-Durham, 8; Peterborough, 6; Renfrew North-Nipissing East, 4; Victoria-Haliburton, 20; Parry Sound-Muskoka, 7; Grey-Simcoe, 5; Kent-Essex, 4; Brant, 4; Perth-Wilmot, 1; Norfolk-Haldimand, 5; Sarnia-Lambton, 1; York West, 1; Scarborough East, 1; Wellington, 1; Elgin, 5; Perth Wilmot, 3; Oxford, 3; York North, 1; Parry Sound-Muskoka, 32; Timiskaming, 10; Sudbury, 5; Timmins, 1; Nickel Belt, 1; Glengarry-Prescott-Russell, 12; Hastings, 23; Leeds, 13; Ottawa-Carleton, 3; Prince Edward-Hastings, 9; Stormont-Dundas, 4; Simcoe North, 10; Wellington-Grey-Dufferin-Waterloo, 14; York-Simcoe, 9; Halton-Wentworth, 2; Northumberland-Durham, 6; Lincoln, 2; Peel-Dufferin-Simcoe, 4; Ontario, 7; Welland, 2; Lambton-Kent, 8; Bruce, 22; Middlesex, 3; Huron, 4; Essex-Windsor, 2. It is not possible, without going to a very large expense, to include the municipalities of each closed post office. Many former offices are located in unincorporated areas and do not belong to any municipality. Many Townships have been amalgamated with other municipalities and now come under one government.

POST OFFICE, LYNDDURST, ONTARIO

Question No. 48—Mr. Cossitt:

1. (a) What is the location of the Post Office in Lyndhurst, Ontario (b) from whom are the premises rented and what is the rent?
2. How long is the lease and does it contain an option to renew?
3. What are all addresses whatsoever contained in government records for the owner of the premises?
4. Who is the Postmaster at Kingston, Ontario and what is his residence address?