(c) How many applicants were refused.

Under this program, the provincial authorities process applications and determine which shall be awarded loans. The federal government has no statistical information in this area.

(d) Payments made by federal government under the Canada Student Loans Act.

Fiscal Year	Amount \$
1964/65	153,235
1965/66	1,650,895
1966/67	2,929,971
1967/68	5,806,243

FEDERAL EMPLOYEES, RICHMOND CONSTITUENCY

Question No. 436-Mr. Beaudoin:

How many federal civil servants, by department or agency, were employed in the constituency of Richmond in each of the years from 1962 to 1967 inclusive and how many are working there in 1968?

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): It is impossible to compile the data sought in this question because the duties of public employees are not assigned on the basis of electoral constituencies.

FEDERAL EXPENDITURES, RICHMOND CONSTITUENCY

Question No. 438-Mr. Beaudoin:

- 1. What has the federal government spent in the constituency of Richmond for each fiscal year from 1962 to 1968 inclusive, and what is the estimated amount for the current fiscal year?
- 2. For each of these fiscal years, in what fields were such funds spent, and what are the estimates, by field, for the current fiscal year?

Mr. Yves Forest (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): It is impossible to provide a general statement of expenditures by the government of Canada in entities such as constituencies and municipalities. The budgetary estimates are not prepared in relation to such entities; nor are expenditures recorded in this way. It would be possible to give information concerning expenditures when a definite work, program, or beneficiary is mentioned in the question. In some cases, of course, these concern a particular constituency or a particular municipality.

Questions

ARDA ASSISTANCE, RICHMOND CONSTITUENCY

Question No. 441-Mr. Beaudoin:

- 1. How many companies will receive government help under ARDA in the federal constituency of Richmond?
- 2. What companies?
- 3. What amount will be provided for each of them?

[Translation]

Mr. Russell C. Honey (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Forestry and Rural Development): None.

POPULATION STATISTICS, RICHMOND CONSTITUENCY

Question No. 442-Mr. Beaudoin:

- 1. According to the last census, how many persons are there in the constituency of Richmond?
- 2. How many live in rural areas, and how many in urban areas?
- 3. How many are less than twenty-one years of age and how many are twenty-one or over?
- 4. Does the Dominion Bureau of Statistics foresee major changes in the number of people living in urban areas or rural areas and, if so, what will be the trend?

Hon. Jean-Luc Pepin (Minister of Industry, Trade and Commerce): The Dominion Bureau of Statistics reports that: According to the 1966 Census of Canada, there were 64,150 persons living in the riding of Richmond. Of this total 33,206 were living in rural areas and 30,944 in urban areas, based on rural-urban census definitions. By age of distribution, 33,211 were under 21 years of age, and 30,939 were 21 years or over.

While precise data on which to base projections as to future rural-urban ratios are not available, possibly the trend between 1961 and 1966 provides an indication of prospects in the immediate future if the same trend continues. The total population of the riding declined by 2,800 in the 1961-66 period—urban dropped by 600 and rural by 2,200. Rural comprised 53% of the total population in 1961 and 52% in 1966.

LEGAL OPINION ON MONTREAL TAX CONTRIBUTIONS

Question No. 449-Mr. Valade:

During the period April 4, 1967 to July 4, 1968, did Mayor Jean Drapeau request an opinion on the legality of the "Voluntary Contribution to Montreal taxes" from the Minister of Justice or the Department of Justice and, if so, what was the substance of this opinion and when was it given?

Hon. John N. Turner (Minister of Justice): No.