

## Questions

**Hon. Martin P. O'Connell (Minister of Labour):** 1. Information is not available in this form. For administrative purposes, a list has been prepared of establishments in each province. The number in Saskatchewan is 3,105.

2. The number of establishments in the other provinces are as follows: British Columbia, 2,208; Alberta, 2,406; Manitoba, 1,899; Ontario, 6,390; Quebec, 5,174; New Brunswick, 551; Newfoundland, 288; Prince Edward Island, 179; Nova Scotia, 973.

## DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORT—GUIDELINES FOR REGIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS

## Question No. 459—Mr. Nystrom:

1. Does the Department of Transport have guidelines for regional distribution of funds allotted under its Main Estimates 1972-73 for major capital projects and, if so, what are they?

2. Of the major capital projects (by location), has Saskatchewan been allotted only three tenths of one per cent of the total amount although its population is four per cent of Canada's total and, if so, for what reason?

**Mr. Gérard Duquet (Parliamentary Secretary to Minister of Transport):** 1. No. The Department of Transport's capital budget as reflected in annual Estimates including those major projects identified in Main Estimates 1972-73 is based on execution of projects required to meet operational commitments.

2. As explained in (1) the major capital projects to be undertaken in 1972-73 in Saskatchewan or other provinces is not based on regional distribution of funds related to population but to operational priorities.

## REGIONAL LABOUR STANDARDS BRANCH

## Question No. 463—Mr. Nystrom:

1. Is there an office of the Labour Standards Branch of the Department of Labour located in the Province of Saskatchewan and, if not, for what reason?

2. How many business trips per month are made to Saskatchewan by personnel of the regional offices in Winnipeg and Edmonton to inspect companies under federal jurisdiction and how many trips are made to investigate complaints?

3. Are there plans to open an office in Saskatchewan within the next five years?

**Hon. Martin P. O'Connell (Minister of Labour):** 1. No. The Labour Standards Branch was established in 1965, and based on available information it appeared that ade-

quate coverage for the Prairie Provinces could be given from the Edmonton and Winnipeg offices.

2. During the first quarter of 1972 three trips were made into Saskatchewan from our Edmonton office, while 8 trips were made into the province from our Winnipeg office. On each trip, complaints are investigated or routine inspections are carried out in the area covered by each trip.

3. Not known at this time. However, the Labour Standards Branch is presently conducting a study to determine whether the boundaries of the regional offices should be altered or additional offices established.

## CMHC—RENTAL SCALE FOR PUBLIC HOUSING UNITS

## Question No. 471—Mr. McCleave:

1. On what date was the present rental scale for public housing units implemented by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation?

2. When is it expected to implement a new rental scale?

3. What factors were considered in establishing the existing scale?

4. What new factors are being considered?

**Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of State for Urban Affairs):** 1. The present rental scale for public housing projects was implemented by Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation on April 21, 1970.

2. A date has not been established for the implementation of a new rental scale.

3. The existing scale is based on the philosophy of relating rent to income, with the proportion increasing with higher income levels. A maximum rental of 25 per cent of income applies at the upper end of the scale. Other factors taken into consideration include family composition, patterns of family expenditures, changes in prices and incomes, working spouses, one-parent families, and the degree of services provided.

4. A change from the basic philosophy of relating rent to income is not contemplated.

## LOW-INCOME PUBLIC HOUSING PROJECTS

## Question No. 472—Mr. McCleave:

1. How many low-income public housing projects have been built in each province and how many self-contained units does each provide?

2. What is the average size of each project?

3. How many are over 10 units in size?

**Hon. Ron Basford (Minister of State for Urban Affairs):**

Public Housing Projects Financed Under the NHA, 1950-1971<sup>1</sup>

Province	Federal-Provincial Rental Housing, 1950-1971 Section 40					Public Housing, 1965-1971 Section 43						
	Projects	Units	Hostel Beds	\$000	Average No. of Units	No. of Projects with 10 Units +	Loans	Units	Hostel Beds	\$000	Average No. of Units	No. of Projects with 10 Units +
Nfld.....	13	1,179	—	15,662	91	13	8	335	—	6,124	42	8
P.E.I.....	4	74	—	1,068	18	4	1	8	—	99	8	—
N.S.....	37	3,101	—	38,328	84	36	27	451	—	5,945	17	25
N.B.....	6	685	—	6,269	114	6	59	1,639	—	22,297	28	58
Que.....	1	796	—	7,997	796	1	161	13,802	174	175,415	86	161
Ont.....	75	6,599	—	65,041	88	75	592	48,079	734	635,969	81	588
Man.....	3	568	—	7,203	189	3	84	4,695	80	54,876	56	79
Sask.....	76	1,906	—	21,278	25	74	2	22	—	288	11	2

[Mr. Nystrom.]