

Questions

in view of recent increases granted to employees in "staff offices" and, if so, when will such increase become effective?

Hon. C. M. Drury (President of the Treasury Board): Postal employees in semi staff offices are in the revenue postal operations group in the operational category. The Canadian Postmasters Association was certified by the public service staff relations board on April 18, 1968, as the bargaining agent for the employees in this group. Negotiations with the C.P.A. commenced on May 29, 1968. Agreement was reached on all matters, including pay, on October 17, 1968. Increases will be made effective retroactive to October 1, 1966.

STUDENT LOAN PLAN

Question No. 414—Mr. Harding:

For each fiscal year since the inception of the Student Loan Plan (a) how many students from each province received loans (b) what was the total amount for each province (c) how many applicants were refused loans (d) what was the actual cost to the federal government?

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

Note: Data in (a) and (b) below is given for the loan year which extends from July 1st to June 30th. Data in (d) below is for fiscal year.

(a) Number of students assisted, by province.

Province	1964/65	Loan Year		1967/68
		1965/66	1966/67	
B.C.	4,675	7,924	9,854	11,434
Alta.	4,519	6,801	8,064	10,504
Sask.	2,992	5,167	5,965	7,377
Man.	2,272	3,601	4,070	4,604
Ont.	21,920	21,831	24,628	42,185
N.B.	2,027	3,206	3,720	5,524
N.S.	2,513	4,022	4,654	5,963
P.E.I.	437	1,160	838	935
Nfld.	737	1,472	1,414	1,819
Yukon	12	23	22	15
N.W.T.	9	10	14	11
TOTAL	42,113	55,217	63,243	90,371

(b) Total amount for each province.

Province	1964/65	Loan Year		1967/68
		1965/66	1966/67	
	\$	\$	\$	\$
B.C.	3,110,751	5,043,511	6,738,350	8,037,053
Alta.	2,102,819	3,305,251	4,533,434	6,423,725
Sask.	1,888,445	3,317,604	4,543,085	5,980,941
Man.	1,383,495	2,311,905	2,886,745	3,244,990
Ont.	14,372,527	15,232,943	14,526,587	22,855,434
N.B.	1,356,088	2,404,741	3,041,465	4,219,445
N.S.	1,766,873	2,953,605	3,335,942	4,404,309
P.E.I.	239,904	455,910	634,385	724,290
Nfld.	459,652	899,231	867,658	1,143,565
Yukon	8,600	19,119	20,156	12,850
N.W.T.	9,000	7,115	11,136	6,808
TOTAL	26,748,154	35,950,935	41,138,943	57,053,410

[Mr. Peddle.]