

QUESTIONS ON THE ORDER PAPER

(Questions answered orally are indicated by an asterisk.)

Mr. John M. Reid (Parliamentary Secretary to President of the Privy Council): Mr. Speaker, the following questions will be answered today: Nos. 1,581, 1,825, 2,326, 2,372 and 2,385.

I ask that the remaining questions be allowed to stand.

[Text]

FRANCOPHONE IMMIGRATION

Question No. 1,581—Mr. Jones:

1. What specific preferences are given to immigrants from French-speaking countries?

2. How many immigrants have been admitted (a) from French-speaking countries (b) from other countries for each year 1972, 1973 and 1974?

Hon. Robert K. Andras (Minister of Manpower and Immigration): 1. None. Each applicant for permanent residence to Canada is assessed in accordance with the applicable section of the admissible classes contained in the Immigration Regulations.

2. The following table lists the ten countries of last permanent residence from which the greatest number of immigrants arrived who had a capacity in the French language during the years 1972, 1973 and 1974.

Year	Country of last Permanent Residence	Immigrants with a language Capacity In French	Total Immigrants
1972	France	2,426	2,742
	U.S.A.	1,271	22,618
	Haiti	844	936
	Switzerland	428	778
	Belgium	351	447
	Egypt	267	606
	Lebanon	253	996
	England	247	12,520
	Morocco	220	236
	Italy	193	4,608
	Others	2,160	75,519
	Total	8,660	122,006
1973	France	3,115	3,586
	Haiti	2,116	2,178
	U.S.A.	1,681	25,242
	Switzerland	514	953
	Morocco	460	499
	Egypt	410	905
	Lebanon	386	1,325
	England	378	19,979
	Belgium	399	589
	The Netherlands	301	1,898
	Others	3,289	127,046
	Total	12,989	184,200

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Year	Country of last Permanent Residence	Immigrants with a language Capacity In French	Total Immigrants
1974	Haiti	4,827	4,857
	France	3,859	4,232
	U.S.A.	1,739	26,541
	Switzerland	737	1,336
	Morocco	736	786
	Zaire	609	1,273
	Belgium	439	613
	England	421	28,828
	Lebanon	329	1,762
	Egypt	317	928
	Others	3,601	147,309
	Total	17,614	218,465

AIR CANADA—APPLICATIONS FOR STEWARDS AND STEWARDESSES

Question No. 1,825—Mr. Schumacher:

1. In the years 1973 and 1974, how many applicants for positions as stewards and stewardesses, whose stated home address was (a) Manitoba (b) Saskatchewan (c) Alberta (d) British Columbia (e) Yukon (f) Northwest Territories were (i) interviewed (ii) hired by Air Canada?

2. In each of the years 1973 and 1974, by province and territory, how many of those hired as stewards and stewardesses stated their mother tongue was (a) English (b) French (c) other and in each case how many were (i) proficient in both official languages (ii) entered in either English or French language training programmes?

Hon. Jean Marchand (Minister of Transport): The management of Air Canada advises as follows: The data provided below pertain to the number of new flight attendants who actually entered Air Canada service during the years 1973 and 1974. The figures cannot, however, be related to the number of people interviewed during the same period, as someone interviewed during one year is often called for employment in a subsequent year, according to employment demands. Also, those who are interviewed possess only basic requirements. Following the first interview, a second interview is given to those identified as being most competitive. At the time of recall for this second interview, in the past two years, the airline has experienced a "no show" factor of between 14 and 38 per cent in the western Canadian provinces alone. At this second stage, the most qualified persons are selected and sent for a medical examination. If successful, they then wait for placement in a training course as openings occur. Competition among applicants steadily increases every year and while in 1973 there was one successful person out of every 13 applicants, in 1974 the ratio was one out of every 21. As well, the airline's requirement for new cabin personnel has decreased since 1973 and this has also tended to make competition more intense. 1. (a) 1973 (i) 197, (ii) 24; 1974 (i) 303, (ii) 37; (b) 1973 (i) 72, (ii) 4; 1974 (i) 159, (ii) 7; (c) 1973 (i) 265, (ii) 22; 1974 (i) 249, (ii) 10; (d) 1973 (i) 838, (ii) 66; 1974 (i) 869, (ii) 17; (e) (i) (ii) 0; (f) (i) (ii) 0.

2. Manitoba, (a) 1973, 21; 1974, 33; (b) 1973, 3; 1974, 7; Saskatchewan (a) 1973, 4; 1974, 5; (b) 1973, 0; 1974, 2; Alberta (a) 1973, 38; 1974, 14; (b) 1973, 3; 1974, 3; British