

the pension payments, temporary loans or grants are made from the Consolidated Revenue Fund. The pension is paid from the Consolidated Revenue Fund and charged to the Old Age Security Fund. The program is administered by the Department of National Health and Welfare through regional offices located in each provincial capital.

Persons in receipt of old age assistance (see p. 314) who reach age 70 are automatically transferred to old age security. Others make application to the regional office.

British Columbia, Alberta and Saskatchewan make supplementary payments to those recipients of old age security who qualify under a means and residence test. In British Columbia the allowance may not exceed \$24 a month, in Alberta \$15 a month, and in Saskatchewan it is a minimum of \$2.50 a month rising to a maximum of \$10 a month. In Ontario, the provincial government shares to the extent of 80 p.c. in the first \$20 a month of supplement paid by a municipality to a needy recipient of old age security. In Manitoba, the province may reimburse a municipality for 80 p.c. of the supplementary assistance paid to needy recipients of old age security. In some provinces and in Yukon Territory, recipients of the pension who are in special need may be eligible for relief.

2.—Operations of the Old Age Security Fund, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1955-59

Item	Year Ended Mar. 31—				
	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenue	353,205,333	366,218,474	379,111,374	473,859,104	559,279,858
Individual income tax.....	100,900,000	102,500,000	124,999,000	135,001,000	146,350,000
Corporation income tax.....	46,000,000	53,328,000	67,336,000	60,664,000	55,328,000
Sales tax.....	143,053,678	160,377,617	179,270,141	175,792,442	173,622,697
Grant from Consolidated Revenue Fund.....	—	—	6,000,000	102,401,662	183,979,162
Loan from Consolidated Revenue Fund.....	63,251,655 ¹	50,012,857 ¹	1,506,233 ¹	—	—
Expenditure (Benefit Payments)	353,205,333	366,218,474	379,111,374	473,859,104	559,279,858

¹ Loans from Consolidated Revenue were written off by grants from the Consolidated Revenue Fund in following fiscal years.

3.—Old Age Security Statistics, by Province, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1957-59

Province and Year	Pensioners in March	Pensions Paid during Fiscal Year (net)	Province or Territory and Year	Pensioners in March	Pensions Paid during Fiscal Year (net)
Newfoundland.....	1957	16,248	Manitoba.....	1957	47,908
	1958	16,557		1958	50,079
	1959	16,782		1959	52,066
Prince Edward Island.....	1957	6,993	Saskatchewan.....	1957	48,984
	1958	7,100		1958	51,300
	1959	7,153		1959	53,469
Nova Scotia.....	1957	38,860	Alberta.....	1957	50,524
	1958	39,694		1958	53,319
	1959	40,395		1959	55,968
New Brunswick.....	1957	28,170	British Columbia.....	1957	99,320
	1958	28,956		1958	104,297
	1959	29,509		1959	108,396
Quebec.....	1957	168,407	Yukon and North-west Territories.	1957	579
	1958	174,476		1958	599
	1959	179,829		1959	623
Ontario.....	1957	291,493	Canada.....	1957	797,486
	1958	301,183		1958	827,560
	1959	310,094		1959	854,284
					379,111,374
					473,859,103
					559,279,858