

Reimbursement is made to the province for payments within the existing provincial framework of general assistance. The scale and conditions of relief payments to recipients continue to be determined by the provinces and municipalities, except that the province agrees not to make length of residence a condition for the receipt of assistance when an applicant comes from another province which has signed a similar agreement.

The Act provides for federal sharing of provincial and municipal payments for persons in certain types of homes for special care, including homes for the aged and nursing homes. It excludes federal reimbursement for payments for persons receiving mothers' allowances. Those receiving various types of social security payments under other programs are also excluded but the Federal Government shares with the provinces any additional relief payments, other than cost-of-living bonuses or across-the-board pension supplements, made to such persons who are unemployed and in need. Health care and administration costs are also excluded from Federal Government reimbursement.

All parts of Canada have been participating in this program since the beginning of 1959. Agreements for the payment of federal assistance, effective July 1, 1955, were made with five provinces—Newfoundland, Prince Edward Island, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and British Columbia. New Brunswick and Ontario entered the scheme, effective Jan. 1, 1956 and Dec. 1, 1956, respectively; and Nova Scotia and Alberta, effective Jan. 1, 1958. At the end of 1958 the Northwest Territories signed an agreement effective Jan. 1 of that year and in 1959 Quebec and Yukon Territory entered into agreements effective July 1, 1958 and Jan. 1, 1959, respectively.

7.—Unemployment Assistance, by Province, Years Ended Mar. 31, 1958-60

Province and Year	Federal Share of Unemployment Assistance Costs	Recipients in March	Province or Territory and Year	Federal Share of Unemployment Assistance Costs	Recipients in March
	\$	No.		\$	No.
Newfoundland.....1958	1,787,626	45,799	Manitoba.....1958	1,085,006	12,785
1959	3,269,622	58,264	1959	2,067,829	16,065
1960	3,529,898	52,505	1960	2,868,333	20,165
Prince Edward Island....1958	73,010	1,724	Saskatchewan.....1958	813,080	12,873
1959	83,622	1,418	1959	1,492,338	15,507
1960	113,912	2,258	1960	1,823,968	18,920
Nova Scotia.....1958 ¹	76,273	5,083	Alberta.....1958 ¹	410,443	11,845
1959	431,001	9,209	1959	1,847,748	15,899
1960	664,878	11,093	1960	2,098,350	17,636
New Brunswick.....1958	94,217	5,800	British Columbia.....1958	2,828,568	24,522
1959	265,812	7,589	1959	6,001,341	39,388
1960	360,559	9,077	1960	7,305,454	42,876
Quebec ²1959	4,128,915	52,059	Yukon Territory.....1959 ³	6,687	101
1960	6,085,922	62,446	1960	32,642	147
Ontario.....1958	3,644,779	61,623	Northwest Territories..1958 ¹	3,868	81
1959	10,127,817	79,385	1959	15,765	157
1960	11,669,544	83,762	1960	26,197	174
			Totals.....1958	10,816,870	182,135
			1959	29,738,497	295,041
			1960	36,579,658	321,059

¹ Agreement effective Jan. 1, 1958.

² Agreement effective July 1, 1958. Payments represent 80 p.c. of the amount claimed pending completion of the audits, and a deduction of 1,500 persons has been made for the number of persons assisted.

³ Agreement effective Jan. 1, 1959.