

The number of representatives of each province elected at each of the 30 general elections since Confederation is given in Table 3.3. Historical data concerning representation may be found in the *Canada Year Book 1973*.

Salaries, allowances and pensions. Members of the Senate and House of Commons receive sessional allowances of \$24,000 per annum. For each session of Parliament, they may also be paid such travelling expenses between their place of residence or constituency and Ottawa as may be required for the performance of their duties. A senator receives an annual expense allowance of \$5,300 and a member of the House of Commons receives an expense allowance of \$10,600 to \$14,475 dependent upon the electoral district represented; neither is subject to income tax and is payable monthly. Members of the House of Commons may receive up to \$7,900 annually for the payment of staff in their constituency, and up to \$2,400 annually for rental of premises in their constituency. In addition to the sessional allowance, the member of the Senate occupying the recognized position as Leader of the Government in the Senate is paid an annual allowance of \$20,000 and the member of the Senate occupying the recognized position as Opposition Leader in the Senate is paid an annual allowance of \$8,000; but if the Leader of the Government is in receipt of a salary under the Salaries Act the annual allowance is not paid. The remuneration of the Prime Minister is \$33,300 a year and of a Cabinet Minister and the Leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons \$20,000 a year in addition to the sessional and expense allowances each receives as a member of Parliament. The Chief Government Whip, the Chief Opposition Whip, the Opposition House Leader and the leader of a party having a recognized membership of 12 or more in the House of Commons, other than the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition, each receives an annual allowance of \$5,300 in addition to the sessional allowance. In addition to sessional and expense allowances, the Speaker of the Senate receives a salary of \$12,000 per annum, the Speaker of the House of Commons, \$20,000 per annum and the Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons, \$8,000 per annum. The Speakers of the Senate and of the House of Commons are also each entitled to \$3,000 and the Deputy Speaker of the House of Commons to \$1,500, in lieu of residence; these allowances are not taxable. The Deputy Chairman of Committees receives an annual allowance of \$5,300. Parliamentary secretaries to Ministers of the Crown receive an annual allowance of \$5,300, in addition to their sessional and expense allowances. Motor vehicle allowances of \$2,000 are paid to Ministers of the Crown and to the Leader of the Opposition in the House of Commons, and motor vehicle allowances of \$1,000 are paid to the Speakers of the Senate and of the House of Commons; these allowances are not taxable.

A member of Parliament contributes, by reservation, 7.5% of his sessional indemnity toward his retirement allowance, which is based on the average of the sessional indemnity received over the best consecutive six years of his pensionable service accumulated as follows: 3.5% of this six-year average for each of the first 10 years of pensionable service; 3% of this average for each of the next 10 years; 2% of this average for each of the next five years; and 2% of this average for each of the years of pensionable service earned by his contributions from salary for extra duties performed as a minister, etc.; subject to an overall maximum of 75% of that best six-year average. The member holding the office of Prime Minister contributes by reservation from the salary payable to him under the Salaries Act, an amount equal to 6% of that salary to the Consolidated Revenue Fund. Survivors' benefits are as follows: 60% of the member's pension entitlement to the widow or widower; if there is a surviving parent, 10% of the member's pension entitlement for each child up to three; and if there is no surviving parent, 20% of the member's pension entitlement for each child up to four. A member who was a member on March 31, 1970 had a year in which to elect to come under the plan described here or to remain under a previous plan, described in the *1969 Canada Year Book* p 75.

An act to make provision for the retirement of members of the Senate (SC