# **Canada Country Factsheet**









# **Introduction**

## **Background**

Canada became a self-governing dominion in 1867, while retaining ties to the British crown. Canada aims to develop its diverse energy resources while maintaining its commitment to the environment.

## **Geography**

#### Area

**total**: 9,984,670 sq km **land**: 9,093,507 sq km **water**: 891,163 sq km

#### Climate

varies from temperate in south to subarctic and arctic in north

## **Natural resources**

bauxite, iron ore, nickel, zinc, copper, gold, lead, uranium, rare earth elements, molybdenum, potash, diamonds, silver, fish, timber, wildlife, coal, petroleum, natural gas, hydropower

## **People and Society**

## **Population**

total: 38,794,813

## **Ethnic groups**

Canadian 15.6%, English 14.7%, Scottish 12.1%, French 11%, Irish 12.1%, German 8.1%, Chinese 4.7%, Italian 4.3%, First Nations 1.7%, Indian 3.7%, Ukrainian 3.5%, Metis 1.5% (2021 est.)

#### Languages

English (official) 87.1%, French (official) 29.1%, Chinese languages 4.2%, Spanish 3.2%, Punjabi 2.6%, Arabic 2.4%, Tagalog 2.3%, Italian 1.5% (2022 est.)

# Religions

Christian 53.3%, Muslim 4.9%, Hindu 2.3%, Sikh 2.1%, Buddhist 1%, Jewish 0.9%, Traditional (North American Indigenous) 0.2%, other religions and traditional spirituality 0.6%, none 34.6% (2021 est.)

#### Population growth rate

0.71% (2024 est.)

## Government

#### Government type

federal parliamentary democracy (Parliament of Canada) under a constitutional monarchy; a Commonwealth realm; federal and state authorities and responsibilities regulated in constitution

# Capital

name: Ottawa

#### **Executive branch**

chief of state: King CHARLES III (since 8 September 2022); represented by Governor

General Mary SIMON (since 26 July 2021)

head of government: Prime Minister Justin Pierre James TRUDEAU (since 4

November 2015)

#### Diplomatic representation in the US

chief of mission: Ambassador Kirsten HILLMAN (since 17 July 2020)

## Diplomatic representation from the US

chief of mission: Ambassador David L. COHEN (since December 2021)

## **Economy**

#### **Economic overview**

one of the world's leading developed economies; globally integrated commercial and financial markets; largest US trading partner; key energy, forestry, manufacturing and service industries; inflation recovering following interest rate hikes; government priorities include climate policy, immigration and affordable housing

## Real GDP (purchasing power parity)

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$2.242 trillion (2023 est.)
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\$2.215 trillion (2022 est.)

\$2.133 trillion (2021 est.)

# Real GDP per capita

\$55,900 (2023 est.)

\$56,900 (2022 est.)

\$55,800 (2021 est.)

#### **Exports**

\$714.904 billion (2023 est.)

\$731.81 billion (2022 est.)

\$626.676 billion (2021 est.)

# **Exports - partners**

US 75%, China 4%, Japan 2%, UK 2%, Mexico 1% (2022)

#### **Exports - commodities**

crude petroleum, cars, natural gas, refined petroleum, gold (2022)

## **Imports**

\$724.713 billion (2023 est.)

\$728.732 billion (2022 est.)

\$626.558 billion (2021 est.)

#### Imports - partners

US 56%, China 11%, Mexico 4%, Germany 3%, Japan 2% (2022)

#### Imports - commodities

cars, refined petroleum, vehicle parts/accessories, trucks, crude petroleum (2022)

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