



# Canada



<b>Background</b>	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.
<b>Capital</b>	name: Ottawa
<b>Government type</b>	federal parliamentary democracy (Parliament of Canada) under a constitutional monarchy; a Commonwealth realm; federal and state authorities and responsibilities regulated in constitution
<b>Area</b>	total : 9,984,670 sq km land: 9,093,507 sq km water: 891,163 sq km
<b>Climate</b>	varies from temperate in south to subarctic and arctic in north
<b>Natural resources</b>	bauxite, iron ore, nickel, zinc, copper, gold, lead, uranium, rare earth elements, molybdenum, potash, diamonds, silver, fish, timber, wildlife, coal, petroleum, natural gas, hydropower
<b>Population</b>	total: 38,794,813
<b>Population growth rate</b>	0.71% (2024 est.)
<b>Ethnic groups</b>	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.)
<b>Religions</b>	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.)
<b>Languages</b>	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.)
<b>Executive branch</b>	chief of state: King CHARLES III (since 8 September 2022); represented by Governor General Mary SIMON (since 6 July 2021) head of government: Prime Minister Justin Pierre James TRUDEAU (since 4 November 2015)
<b>Legislative branch</b>	summary: bicameral Parliament consists of the Senate (105 seats) and the House of Commons (338 seats)

<b>Diplomatic representation in the US</b>	chief of mission: Ambassador Kirsten HILLMAN (since 17 July 2020)
<b>Diplomatic representation from the US</b>	chief of mission: Ambassador David L. COHEN (since December 2021)
<b>Economic overview</b>	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
<b>Real GDP (purchasing power parity)</b>	\$2.238 trillion (2023 est.) \$2.215 trillion (2022 est.) \$2.133 trillion (2021 est.)
<b>Real GDP per capita</b>	\$55,800 (2023 est.) \$56,900 (2022 est.) \$55,800 (2021 est.)
<b>Exports</b>	\$717.677 billion (2023 est.) \$731.81 billion (2022 est.) \$626.676 billion (2021 est.)
<b>Exports - partners</b>	US 75%, China 4%, Japan 2%, UK 2%, Mexico 1% (2022)
<b>Exports - commodities</b>	crude petroleum, cars, natural gas, refined petroleum, gold (2022)
<b>Imports</b>	\$726.139 billion (2023 est.) \$728.732 billion (2022 est.) \$626.558 billion (2021 est.)
<b>Imports - partners</b>	US 56%, China 11%, Mexico 4%, Germany 3%, Japan 2% (2022)
<b>Imports - commodities</b>	cars, refined petroleum, vehicle parts/accessories, trucks, crude petroleum (2022)