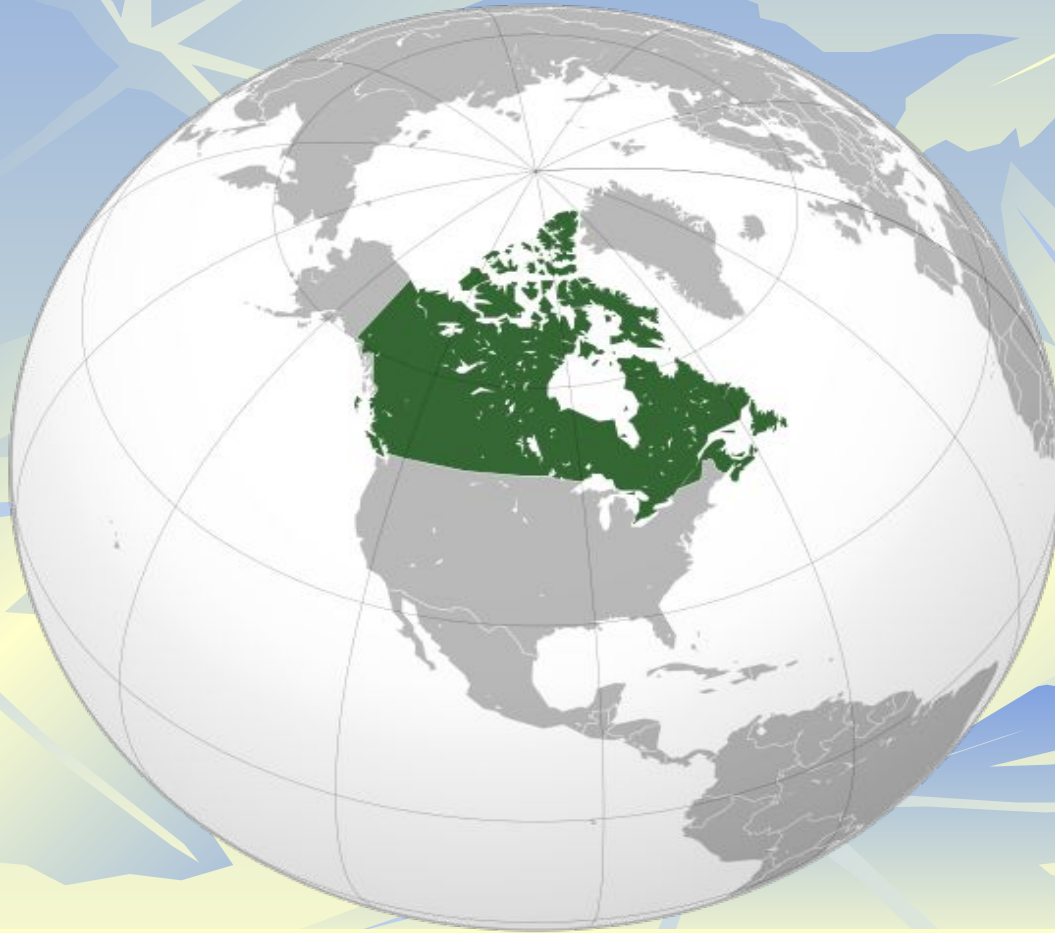


CANADA



Geographical position



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- Canada is the second largest country in the world. Only Russia has a greater land area. Canada is situated in North America.
Canada is a federation of 10 provinces and 2 territories.

The population

- Canada is slightly larger than the United States, but has only about a tenth as many people. About 28 million of people live in Canada. About 80% of the population live within 320 km of the southern border. Much of the rest of Canada is uninhabited or thinly populated because of severe natural conditions. Canada's people are varied. About 57% of all Canadians have some English ancestry and about 32% have some French ancestry. Native people – American Indians and Eskimos – make up about 2% of the country's population. 77% of Canada's people live in cities or towns.

The Capital of Canada



- Ottawa is the capital of Canada and is located on the banks of the Ottawa, Rideau and Gatineau rivers. One third of its people are French-speaking. Ottawa - Canada's fourth-largest city is a complementary blend of urban and rural lifestyles, old and new neighborhoods, culture and heritage, business and government. Ottawa also has a high standard of living reflected in a multitude of accessible services, vibrant entertainment, exciting recreational activities, and thriving businesses.



Big cities

Ottawa



Toronto



Vancouver



Montreal



FLAG



- The red and white Canadian flag shows a leaf of the maple tree, which grows in North America. The maple leaf is the official emblem of Canada. The official ceremony inaugurating the new Canadian flag was held on Parliament Hill in Ottawa on February 15, 1965.

National emblem



- Early settlers are represented by the three royal lions of England, the royal lion of Scotland, the harp of Ireland and the fleur-de-lis of France.
- The lion of England holds the British flag.
- The unicorn of Scotland holds the flag of Royal France.
- The bottom has the fleur-de-lis (France), the shamrock (Ireland), the thistle (Scotland), and the rose (England).

Canada is rich in



oil



gas



nickel



wood



coal



iron ore



agricultural products



copper



gold



Forests cover about half of Canada.

They are the basis for such important industries such as lumbering and paper production.

Forests also give home to deer and caribou, squirrels, minks, skunks, mooses, beavers, black bears and other animals.



The Great Lakes

The **Great Lakes** are a chain of freshwater lakes located in eastern North America, on the Canada – United State border. Consisting of Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron, Erie, and Ontario, they form the largest group of freshwater lakes on Earth. They are sometimes referred to as the "Third Coast" by some citizens of the United States. Because of their size, some regard them as inland seas.



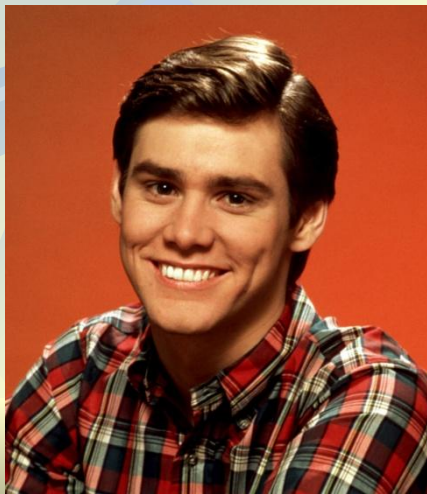
The Niagara Falls



The **Niagara Falls** are voluminous waterfalls on the Niagara River, straddling the international border between the Canadian province of Ontario and the U.S. state of New York. The falls are 17 miles (27 km) north-northwest of Buffalo, New York and 75 miles (120 km) south-southeast of Toronto, Ontario, between the twin cities of Niagara Falls, Ontario, and Niagara Falls, New York.

Canada's contribution to a culture of peace

- Canada gave the world a large number of talented pop, folk-, and jazz and rock musicians such as Oscar Peterson, Bryan Adams, Celine Dion, Loreena McKennitt, Shania Twain, Chantal Krevyazyuk, Gordon Lightfoot, Diana Krall, Avril Lavigne, Johnny Mitchell, Anne Murray Cape, Neil Young, Paul Anka, Alanis Morissette, Michael Bublé, Sarah Maclachlan, Nelly Furtado, other. By popular Canadian rock groups include Rush, Godspeed You! Black Emperor, A Silver Mt. Zion, The Tragically Hip, Barenaked Ladies, Nickelback, Sum 41, The Guess Who, Crash Test Dummies, Prozzak and Simple Plan.
- Many Hollywood celebrities such as actors and directors were born in Canada. Mention may be made of such famous actors like Tommy Chong, Mary Pickford, Michael J. Fox and Jim Carrey. From directors is primarily James Cameron (Terminator, Titanic) and Norman Jewison (Jesus Christ - Superstar)



Sport

- A great place in the life of Canadians involved in sports. The official winter sport of Canada is hockey.
- The official summer sport is lacrosse.
- Canada also popular curling and Canadian football





Canada is worth visiting!