

102. According to the above, Belgium is the most densely populated country in the world, England and Wales next, Holland third and Italy fourth. Japan, which is not included in the table, is believed to rank next, with a population of 234 persons to the square mile, followed by China with 225.

Density of population.

103. The area of Canada is estimated to contain 3,610,257 square miles. It is the largest of all the British possessions, embracing very nearly one-half of the whole Empire. The continent of Australia is the next largest, having an area of 2,944,628, and the area of Tasmania and New Zealand added to this, makes the total area of the Australasian Colonies 3,075,030, or 535,227 square miles less than that of Canada. The total area of the British Empire is 7,999,618 square miles. The combined area therefore of Canada and the Australasian Colonies comprises very nearly seventh-eighths of the whole Empire.

Area of Canada and Australasia.

104. The area of the whole continent of Europe is 3,756,002 square miles. It is therefore only 145,745 square miles larger than the Dominion of Canada.

Area of Europe.

105. The area of Great Britain and Ireland is 121,115 square miles, so that Canada is nearly thirty times as large as the whole of the United Kingdom. It is 600,000 square miles larger than the United States without Alaska, and about 18,000 square miles larger than both combined. The estimated area of the world is 52,511,004 square miles, and its estimated population 1,433,887,500. Canada therefore covers rather more than one-fourteenth part of this surface, but contains only about one two hundred and eighty-sixth part of the estimated population.

Area of Canada, United Kingdom and United States compared, and proportion of Canada to world.