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2.1 Provinces and territories of Canada, dates of admission to Confederation, legislative processes by which admission was effected, present area and seat of government

Province, territory or district	Date of admission or creation	Legislative process	Present area km ²	Seat of provincial or territorial government
Ontario ¹	July 1, 1867	Act of Imperial Parliament — The British North America Act, 1867 (Br. Stat. 1867, c. 3) and Imperial Order in Council, May 22, 1867	{ 1 068 582 1 540 680 55 491 73 437	Toronto
Quebec ²	July 1, 1867			
Nova Scotia	July 1, 1867			
New Brunswick	July 1, 1867			
Manitoba ³	July 15, 1870			
British Columbia	July 20, 1871	Manitoba Act, 1870 (SC 1870, c. 3) and Imperial Order in Council, June 23, 1870	650 087	Winnipeg
Prince Edward Island	July 1, 1873	Imperial Order in Council, May 16, 1871	948 596	Victoria
Saskatchewan ⁴	Sept. 1, 1905	Imperial Order in Council, June 26, 1873	5 657	Charlottetown
Alberta ⁴	Sept. 1, 1905	Saskatchewan Act, 1905 (SC 1905, c. 42)	651 900	Regina
Newfoundland	Mar. 31, 1949	Alberta Act, 1905 (SC 1905, c. 3)	661 185	Edmonton
		The British North America Act, 1949 (Br. Stat. 1949, c. 22)	404 517	St. John's
Northwest Territories ⁵	July 15, 1870	Act of Imperial Parliament — Rupert's Land Act, 1868 (Br. Stat. 1868, c. 105) and Imperial Order in Council, June 23, 1870		
			3 379 683	
Mackenzie ⁶	Jan. 1, 1920	Order in Council, Mar. 16, 1918	{ 1 366 193 590 931 1 422 559	Yellowknife
Keewatin ⁶	Jan. 1, 1920			
Franklin ⁶	Jan. 1, 1920			
Yukon Territory ⁷	June 13, 1898	Yukon Territory Act, 1898 (SC 1898, c. 6)	482 515 ^a	Whitehorse
Canada			9 922 330 ^a	

¹The area of Ontario was extended by the Ontario Boundaries Extension Act, 1912 (SC 1912, c. 40).

²Extended by Quebec Boundaries Extension Act, 1912 (SC 1912, c. 45).

³Extended by the Extension of Boundaries Act of Manitoba, 1881 and the Manitoba Boundaries Extension Act, 1912 (SC 1912, c. 32).

⁴Saskatchewan and Alberta created as provinces in 1905 from the area formerly comprised in the provisional districts of Assiniboia, Athabaska, Alberta and Saskatchewan established May 17, 1882 by minute of Canadian Privy Council concurred in by Dominion Parliament and Order in Council, Oct. 2, 1895.

⁵By an Imperial Order in Council passed on June 23, 1870 pursuant to the Rupert's Land Act, 1868 (Br. Stat. 1868, c. 105), the former territories of the Hudson's Bay Company known as Rupert's Land and the North-Western Territory were transferred to Canada effective July 15, 1870. These territories were designated as the North-West Territories by the Act of SC 1869, c. 3, and as the Northwest Territories by RSC 1906, c. 62. By Imperial Order in Council of July 31, 1880 (effective Sept. 1, 1880), all British territories and possessions in North America not already included within Canada and all islands adjacent thereto (with the exception of the Colony of Newfoundland and its dependencies) were annexed to Canada and these additional territories were formally included in the North-West Territories by SC 1905, c. 27. The province of Manitoba was formed out of a portion of the territories by the Manitoba Act, 1870 (SC 1870, c. 3) and a further portion was added to Manitoba in 1881 by SC 1881, c. 14. The provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan were formed out of portions of the territories in 1905 and in 1912 other portions were added to Manitoba, Ontario and Quebec.

⁶By SC 1876, c. 21, a separate district to be known as the District of Keewatin was established and provision was made for the local government thereof. The Act was expressed to come into force by proclamation. It provided that portions of the District might be re-annexed to the North-West Territories by proclamation; in 1886 a portion of the District of Keewatin was re-annexed and in 1905 the entire Keewatin District was re-annexed. The Act of 1876 was never proclaimed. By Order in Council of May 8, 1882 the provisional districts of Assiniboia, Saskatchewan, Alberta and Athabaska were created for the convenience of settlers and for postal purposes. By Order in Council of Oct. 2, 1895 the further provisional districts of Ungava, Franklin, Mackenzie and Yukon were created. The boundaries of these provisional districts were re-defined by Order in Council of Dec. 18, 1897. Subsequently the Yukon Territory was formed, the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan were created and other portions of the territories were annexed to Quebec, Ontario and Manitoba. By Order in Council dated Mar. 16, 1918 (effective Jan. 1, 1920) the remaining portions of the Northwest Territories were divided into three provisional districts known as Mackenzie, Keewatin and Franklin.

⁷The provisional district of Yukon established in 1895 was created a judicial district of the North-West Territories by proclamation issued pursuant to Sect. 51 of the North-West Territories Act (RSC 1886, c. 50) on Aug. 16, 1897 and, by the Yukon Territory Act (SC 1898, c. 6), was declared to be a separate territory.

^aRecalculated figures 1977.

2.2 Police personnel, actual strength, 1976 and 1977

Force	1976				1977			
	Police	Cadets	Other full-time employees	Total	Police	Cadets	Other full-time employees	Total
Royal Canadian Mounted Police	14,012	—	4,650	18,662	13,955	—	4,283	18,238
Ontario Provincial Police	4,064	—	1,169	5,233	4,060	—	1,157	5,217
Quebec Police Force	4,194	1	975	5,170	4,360	—	1,005	5,365
Municipal Police (excl. RCMP and OPP contracts)	28,372	542	4,498	33,412	28,947	544	5,554	35,045
Canadian National Railways Police	432	—	25	457	423	—	25	448
Canadian Pacific Railway Company Police	318	—	89	407	322	—	88	410
National Harbours Board Police	237	—	97	334	236	—	78	314
Total	51,629	543	11,503	63,675	52,303	544	12,190	65,037