



- Second largest country in the world
- Capital: Ottawa
 - Largest city: Toronto
- Official languages: English and French
- Monarch Queen Elizabeth II
- Area: 9,984,670 km²
- Population 2010: 34,130,000
- Density: 3.41/km²
- Canada is a country occupying most of northern North America
- The land occupied by Canada was inhabited by groups of Aboriginal people
- The name Canada comes from a St. Lawrence word, kanata, meaning "village"



- federation composed of 10 provinces and 3 territories.
- Provinces have more autonomy than territories.

Ottawa



- the capital
- located in the Ottawa Valley the city lies on the southern banks of the Ottawa River
- in 2006 had a population of 812,129
- Odawa
- Bytown was renamed *Ottawa* in 1855, when it became a city

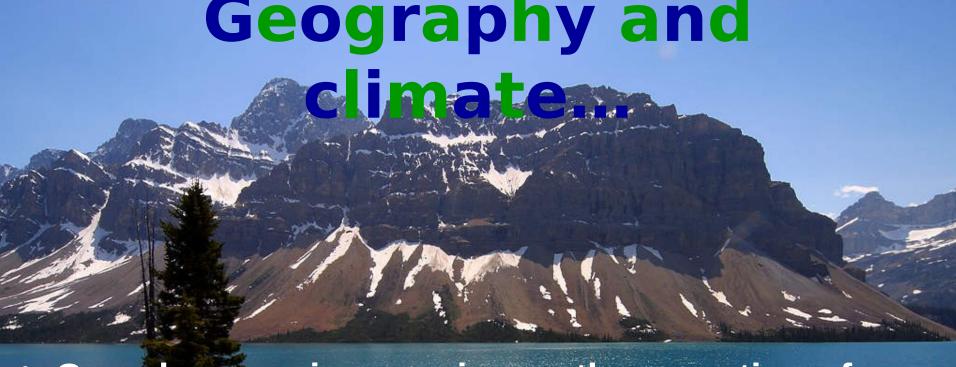
Toronto







Quebec



- Canada occupies a major northern portion of North America
- By land area, Canada ranks 4
- Much of the Canadian Arctic is covered by ice and permafrost
- Canada also has the longest coastline in the world: 202,080 km

...Geography and climate

- The volcanic eruption of Tseax Cone in 1775 caused a catastrophic disaster, killing 2,000 Nisga'a people
- Canada is also geologically active, having many earthquakes and potentially active volcanoes, notably Mount Meager, Mount

Garibaldi, Mount Cayley, and the Mount Edziza volcanic complex



