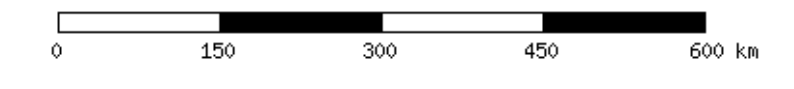


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Population Distribution, 1996

Even though Canada is the second largest country in the world in terms of land area, it ranks 33rd in terms of population. Almost all of Canada's population is concentrated in a narrow band along the country's southern edge. Nearly 80% of the total population lives within the 25 major metropolitan areas, which represent only 0.79% of the total area of the country.



Lambert Conformal Conic Projection. Standard Parallels 49°N and 77°N

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| Percentage of Total Population, 1996 | Populated Places | Boundaries |
| 0% - 0.09% | • 1 - 4999 | — International |
| 0.10% - 0.49% | • 5 000 - 49 999 | — Provincial / Territorial |
| 0.50% - 1.99% | • 50 000 - 99 999 | — Canada / Kalaallit Nunaat dividing line |
| 2.00% - 3.99% | • 100 000 and greater | — EEZ (200 mile) |
| 4.00% - 6.27% | • Provincial and Territorial Capital | — Census Division Boundaries |
| Census Metropolitan Area | ★ National Capital | |

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Percentage of Total Population, 1996
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