

The Regional Geography of Canada

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The Regional Geography of Canada explores Canada as a country of regions, revealing its cultural, economic, and physical diversity. While physical and historical geography have traditionally played a central role in the study of Canadian geography, this volume also provides coverage of contemporary economic and social forces that are transforming Canada's spatial fabric.

The first four chapters outline the main geographic characteristics of the country as a whole: Canada's regionalism, its physiography, its human geography, and its historical development. From theories of regional geography to landforms, from climatic zones to Canada's territorial evolution, these chapters provide a solid basis for understanding the state of Canada's regionalism.

The next six chapters focus on the specific features of each of Canada's six geographic regions—Ontario, Québec, British Columbia, Western Canada, Atlantic Canada, and the Territorial North. These chapters examine the physical, historical, and human characteristics that distinguish each region from the others. In addition, within each regional chapter, a *Key Topic* presents in-depth analysis of a contemporary economic activity that is critical to the region's future prosperity.

A concluding chapter synthesizes, for the reader, the underlying features of Canada's regionalism and offers a vision for nurturing Canada's regional character.

This attractive, comprehensive text contains a number of illustrative and textual features—vignettes, photographs, maps, graphs, and tables—that complement and elaborate on the main narrative and facilitate understanding.

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