

Confederation & Today: A Geographical Perspective



To pull together all of the components of this unit, you are going to research the human systems in Canada as they existed in 1867 **and** as they exist today.

Part A – Confederation Research

On one copy of an outline map of Canada, draw and label the provinces and territories, population distribution, and major transportation routes (rivers and canals) of Canada **as they were at the time of Confederation**. In one of the pie charts on this map, label the urban and rural distribution in Canada as it was at the time of Confederation. In the other pie chart, label the percentages of the ethnic origins as they were at the time of Confederation.

Part B – Today’s Research

On a second copy of an outline map of Canada, draw and label the provinces and territories, population distribution, and major transportation routes of Canada **as they exist today**. In one of the pie charts on this map, label the urban and rural distribution in Canada as it is today. In the other pie chart, label the percentages of the ethnic origins as they are today.

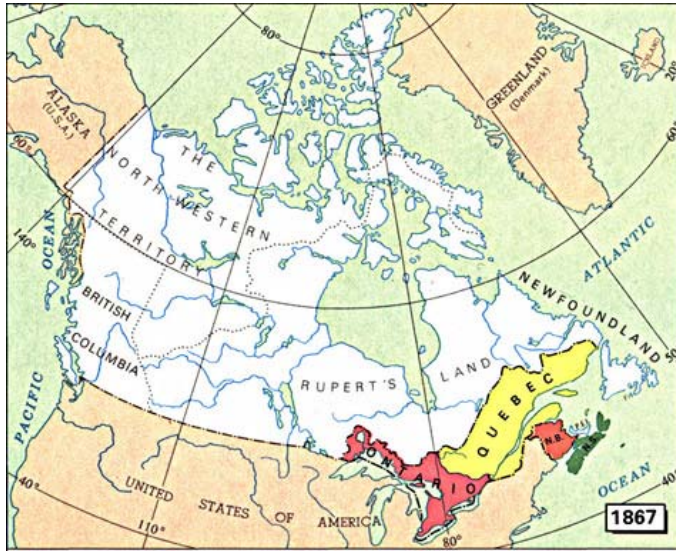
Part C – Putting it all Together

Collect images that represent the human systems discussed in this unit for both 1867 and today. Create a colourful display right on your maps that illustrate Canada at the time of Confederation on the one map and today on the other map.

Use the information sheets provided in class **and any other resources that you can find online or in a library** to complete your research. In addition to the information and images required above, be sure to add all of the usual map essentials to both of the maps!

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1867 Information Sheet

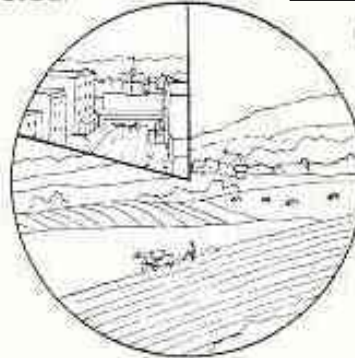


New Brunswick, Nova Scotia and Canada are united in a federal state, the Dominion of Canada, by the British North America Act (July 1, 1867). The province of Canada is divided into Ontario and Quebec. The United States of America proclaims the purchase of Alaska from Russia (June 20).

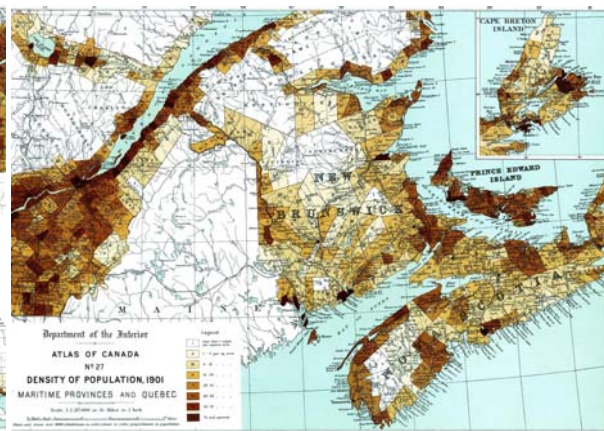
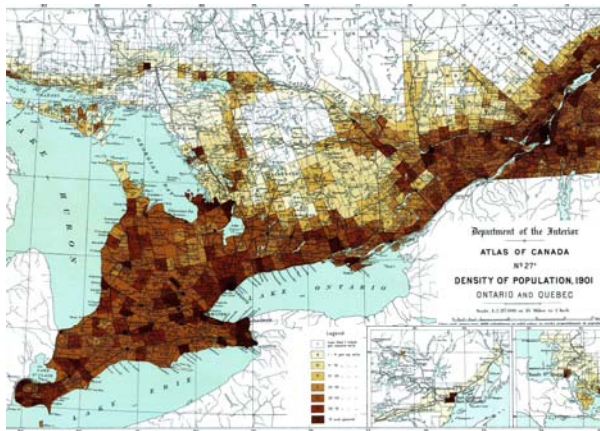
Ethnic Origins

57% of immigrants were born in the British Isles, 19% in the U.S., 5% in Russia, 4% in Germany and 2.5% in China

Urban

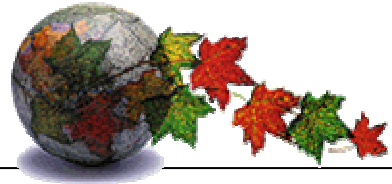


Rural



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2005 Information Sheet



Ethnic Origins

Canadian 41.5%, U.K. 16.1%, French 6.5%, Other European 20.0%, Asian 11.7%, Aboriginal & Métis 3.2%, Other 1.0%

