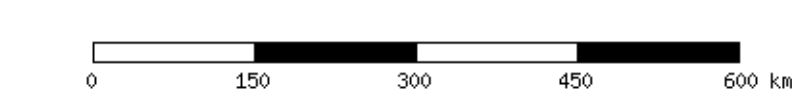


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Land Cover

This map shows the distribution of land cover types across Canada, based on satellite data obtained in 1995. The land cover map contains 31 classes: 12 forest; 3 shrubland; 7 tundra/grasslands; 7 developed land types including cropland, mosaic and built-up areas; and 2 water cover types.



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

Land Cover Description		Provincial and Territorial Boundaries for Satellite Imagery	
Land Cover Type		Provincial / Territorial	
Land Cover of Canada (image)			
Coniferous Forest: High Density (1)	Wetland/Shrubland: Medium Density (15)		
Coniferous Forest: Medium Density - Southern (2)	Grassland (16)		
Coniferous Forest: Medium Density - Northern (3)	Tundra: Lichen and Others (17)		
Coniferous Forest: Low Density - Southern (4)	Tundra: Shrub/Lichen Dominated (18)		
Coniferous Forest: Low Density - Northern (5)	Tundra: Heather and Herbs (19)		
Broadleaf Forest (6)	Tundra: Low Vegetation Cover (20)		
Mixed Coniferous Forest (7)	Tundra: Very Low Vegetation Cover (21)		
Mixed Uniform Forest (8)	Tundra: Bare Soil and Rock (22)		
Mixed Heterogeneous Forest (9)	Cropland: High Biomass (23)		
Mixed Broadleaf Forest (10)	Cropland: Medium Biomass (24)		
Burns: Low Green Vegetation Cover (11)	Cropland: Low Biomass (25)		
Burns: Green Vegetation Cover (12)	Mosaic Land: Cropland-Woodland (26)		
Transition Tree/Shrubland (13)	Mosaic Land: Woodland-Cropland (27)		
Wetland/Shrubland: High Density (14)	Mosaic Land: Cropland-Other (28)		
	Urban and Built-up (29)		
	Water (30)		
	Snowice (31)		

**Source(s):**  
**Land Cover of Canada (image)**  
The images were acquired in 1995 by the Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer (AVHRR) on board of the NOAA-14 satellite operated by the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). The images were processed to enhance the vegetation by a group of scientists from the Canada Centre for Remote Sensing and the Canadian Forest Service of Natural Resources Canada. The land cover image map contains 31 land cover classes: 12 forest; 3 shrubland; 7 tundra / grasslands; 7 developed land types including cropland, mosaic and built-up areas; and 2 water areas. Canada Centre for Remote Sensing, Natural Resources Canada, 1995.

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