

		1971	1976
Summerside	town	9439	8592
	suburban ring	4552	5988
Charlottetown	town	19133	17063
	suburban ring	9087	13761

*Fig. 7.17. Suburbanisation of major urban centres*

(Source: 1976 Census of Canada Bulletin 92-807)

14.(a) With reference to Fig. 7.9 suggest some factors which might explain Fig. 7.17.

(b) With the aid of Slide 7A construct a fully annotated sketch map to illustrate the reasons for the increasing dominance of Charlottetown within the economic and social life of Prince Edward Island.

15. Summarise within the context of national developments the population geography of Prince Edward Island at the following geographical scales: (i) Provincial (ii) County (iii) local.

This view of Prince Edward Island has analysed statistics compiled on a provincial scale. Although Prince Edward Island is the smallest of Canada's Provinces there are many spatial variations and trends which are not readily discernible when the provincial scale at five or ten-year intervals is the main focus of geographical study. Most of the census divisions of the Canadian Census are much larger in area. All census returns should therefore be interpreted in the context of these drawbacks.

16. To what extent can census returns give an accurate appreciation of the population geography of an area?

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