

- The Minister for International Trade visited Mexico in 1999. Most recently, on April 6, 2001, he met with the Mexican Secretary of the Economy on the occasion of a ministerial summit on the Free Trade Area of the Americas (FTAA) agreement, held in Buenos Aires.
- Since January 2001, there have been other senior-level visits to Mexico by the Minister of Natural Resources and the Minister of Human Resources Development. There have been reciprocal trips to Ottawa by the Mexican National Security Adviser and by the Special Ambassador for Human Rights and Democracy.
- More than 50 Canada–Mexico agreements are in place. Some 40 have been signed since 1990, including Mexico’s first double-taxation agreement. Other subject areas of agreement include the environment, electoral, human rights and legal co-operation, health, distance education, energy, transportation, agriculture, mining, culture and seasonal agricultural workers.
- Mexico is a leading member of several regional organizations. As such, it is also an important partner for Canada. As a founding state of the Rio Group, Mexico remains an influential member. It is the fourth largest financial contributor to the Organization of American States (OAS), after the United States, Canada and Brazil. Both Canada and Mexico are members of the Asia–Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum and the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD).
- Canada has no direct government-to-government development assistance program in Mexico. Development co-operation between Canada and Mexico is supported through programs and institutions such as the Canadian International Development Agency’s (CIDA) Industrial Co-operation Program, the University Partnership Program, the Non-governmental Organizations Partnership Program and the Canada Fund for Local Initiatives.
- A 1998 memorandum of understanding (MOU) between Canada and Mexico on international development and a 1999 MOU on international co-operation between Canada, Mexico and the United States recognize Mexico as an emerging donor country.
- Contacts between Canadians and Mexicans are increasing. There are about one million visits by Canadians to Mexico annually, while about 90,000 Mexicans visit Canada each year. Cultural exchanges have increased. There is now a program to encourage Canadian studies in Mexican universities.