

Canada–Australia Relations

- The Canada–Australia relationship is extensive. Historical, social and cultural parallels have led the two countries to develop similar rules of law and institutions of government.
- In addition to longstanding political, cultural and defence links, Canadian and Australian policies converge on many international issues. Canada and Australia work closely together in multilateral bodies, including the United Nations, the Commonwealth, the World Trade Organization, and the Asia–Pacific Economic Cooperation forum (APEC).
- Canada and Australia have signed a range of agreements over the past century. Recent accords have dealt with trade, double taxation, social security, and co-operation in space research and nuclear energy.
- Canada and Australia maintain a tradition of exchanging information and ideas on foreign affairs and domestic issues. An important mechanism for this is a continuing officer exchange program between federal ministries, including foreign affairs and trade.
- Canada and Australia established diplomatic missions in one another's capitals in 1940. Canada has a high commission in Canberra and a consulate general in Sydney, as well as honorary consuls in Melbourne and Perth.
- Under the Canada–Australia Consular Sharing Agreement, Australian diplomatic missions are responsible for 18 Canadian consular districts and Canadian missions are responsible for 17 Australian consular districts. In addition, some diplomatic missions also provide limited visa services for the other country.
- Canadian and Australian diplomatic offices have occasionally been co-located in recent years. The Canadian ambassador in Cambodia works out of the Australian embassy, and the Australian high commission in Barbados is located within the Canadian high commission building.
- Recent Canadian visitors to Australia have included the ministers of international trade, citizenship and immigration, fisheries and oceans, and national defence.
- Recent Australian visitors to Canada have included the ministers for communications, health, and trade and the Treasurer.