

There are hundreds of television and radio stations originating programs in Canada with several hundred more rebroadcasting stations. Canada has also been a pioneer in cablevision technology. By 1988, almost 80 per cent of all Canadians subscribed to cable television services. Over 98 per cent of Canadians have access to television, radio and telephones; 35 per cent have video recorders; and 10 per cent own home computers.

The advent of satellite communications, with the launching in 1972 of the first in a series of Canadian-built satellites, was an important step in overcoming Canada's great distances and in connecting northern communities with the mainstream of Canadian life. Today, suppliers of Canadian telecommunications technology are major players on the world markets. Canadian technology is the state of the art in advanced telephone equipment, satellites, communications, cellular radio systems and office automation.

