

An overview of Canada's FOREST RESOURCES

HOW MUCH OF CANADA'S AREA IS FOREST?

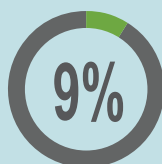


3,470,690 km²
of Canada's total area of **9,979,685 km²** is forest. That's a larger area than Alberta, Ontario and Quebec combined.

FOREST AREA



of Canada's area is forest.



of the world's forests are in Canada.

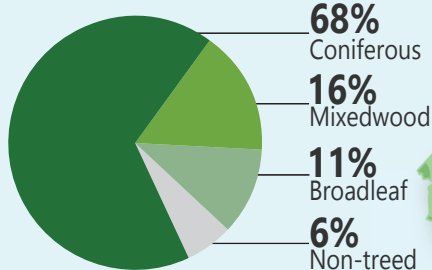
THE BOREAL ZONE

Canada's boreal zone spans 5.5 million km² including all or part of 10 ecozones and accounts for over three-quarters of Canada's forest area.

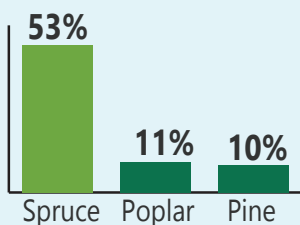


WHAT DO CANADA'S FORESTS LOOK LIKE?

FOREST TYPES



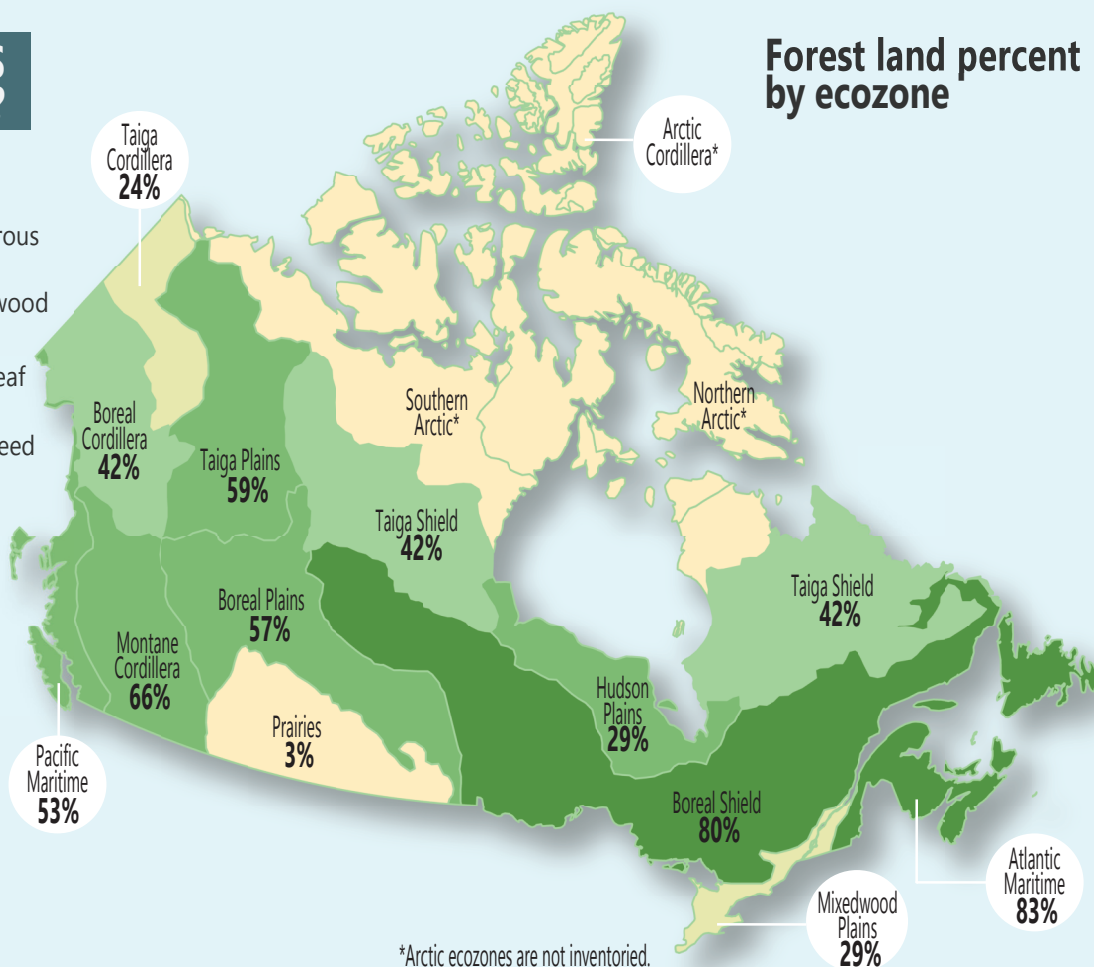
FOREST SPECIES



AGE CLASSES

42% of Canada's forests are between 81 and 120 years old, followed by 26% between 41 and 80 and 12% under 41.

Forest land percent by ecozone



WHAT TYPES OF DISTURBANCES AFFECT CANADA'S FORESTS?

INSECTS



In 2015, insects damaged 176,318 km² of forest.

FOREST FIRES



In 2015, 7,140 wildfires burned a total of 38,616 km² of forest.

HARVESTING



In 2015, Canada harvested 7,796 km² of forest.

DEFORESTATION



From 1990 to 2015, forest area decreased 0.3% from 3.48 million km² to 3.47 million km².

Source: Human Activity and the Environment 2017: Forests in Canada

Catalogue number: 11-627-M
ISBN: 978-0-660-25734-1



Statistics Canada
Statistique Canada

www.statcan.gc.ca

Canada