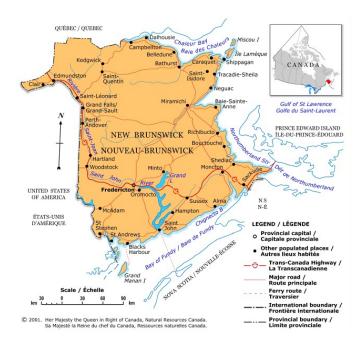New Brunswick

Location: New Brunswick is the largest of the three Maritime Provinces (includes Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island), and 2nd largest of the four Atlantic Provinces of Canada (includes the Maritime provinces and the province of Newfoundland and Labrador). It is located on Canada's East Coast.

Capital of the Province of New Brunswick: Fredericton is the capital city of the Province of New Brunswick.

Official languages: English and French.

Size: The Province of New Brunswick covers about 28,680 square miles (73,440 sq km).

Population: The population of New Brunswick is about 729,498 (as of 2001).

Flag: New Brunswick's flag displays a golden lion in the red compartment at the top third of the flag, representative of New Brunswick's ties to Great Britain. In the bottom 2/3rds, the yellow field is dominated by an ancient oared galley ship representing the Maritime location of the province, as well as its former important shipbuilding industry. The ship sails on wavy blue and white lines, and displays a white sail and three red flags. The flag was adopted by proclamation on February 24, 1965.

Climate: New Brunswick has a blend of climate typical of a coastal area and that of an inland province. Summers are typically warm and comfortable but not too hot. Many pleasant but cooler days are experienced in spring and autumn. Temperatures are given in Celsius rather than Fahrenheit.

Major Rivers: Major rivers in New Brunswick include the St. John River, the Miramichi River, and the Restigouche River.

Highest Point: The highest point in New Brunswick is Mount Carleton, which is 2,690 feet (820 m) tall. Mount Carleton is located in northern New Brunswick, near Edmundston.

Lowest Point: The lowest points in New Brunswick are at sea level (the level of the Atlantic Ocean).