

Canadian Think Tanks

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Many think tanks are non-profit organizations; their funding may come from governments, businesses, private advocacy groups, or from consulting and research work they engage in. Below is a compilation of some of the think tanks currently operating in Canada to give you an idea of the range of organizations that can fall under this category.

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| Asia Pacific Foundation Vancouver, BC http://www.asiapacific.ca/ | Atlantic Institute for Market Studies Halifax, NS http://www.aims.ca/ | Atlantic Provinces Economic Council Halifax, NS http://www.apec-econ.ca/ |
| Brookfield Institute Toronto, ON http://brookfieldinstitute.ca/ | C.D. Howe Institute Toronto, ON http://www.cdhowe.org/ | Caledon Institute of Social Policy Ottawa, ON http://www.caledoninst.org/ |
| Canada 2020 Ottawa, ON http://canada2020.ca/ | Canada West Foundation Calgary, AB http://cwf.ca/ | Canada's Ecofiscal Commission Montreal, QC http://ecofiscal.ca/ |
| Canada's Public Policy Forum Ottawa, ON http://www.ppforum.ca/ | Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives Ottawa, ON Offices across Canada http://www.policyalternatives.ca/ | Canadian Council of Chief Executives Ottawa, ON http://www.ceocouncil.ca/ |
| Canadian Council on Social Development Kanata, ON www.ccsd.ca | Canadian Economics Association Montréal, QC http://economics.ca/ | Canadian Energy Research Institute Calgary, AB http://www.ceri.ca/ |
| Canadian Global Affairs Institute Calgary, AB Ottawa, ON http://www.cgai.ca/ | Canadian Institute of Advanced Research Toronto, ON http://www.cifar.ca/ | Canadian International Council Toronto, ON http://opencanada.org/ |
| Canadian Tax Foundation Toronto, ON Montreal, QC http://www.ctf.ca/ | Centre canadien d'étude et coopération internationale Montréal, QC http://www.ceci.ca/ | Centre de Recherche en économie de l'Environnement, de l'Agroalimentaire, des Transports et de l'Énergie Quebec, Quebec http://www.create.ulaval.ca/ |
| Centre for International and Defence Policy Kingston, ON http://www.queensu.ca/cidp/ | Centre for International Governance Innovation Waterloo, ON http://www.cigionline.org/ | Centre for the Study of Living Standards Ottawa, ON http://www.csls.ca/ |
| Atlantic Institute for Market Studies Halifax, NS http://www.aims.ca/ | Atlantic Institute for Market Studies Halifax, NS http://www.aims.ca/ | Chantier de l'économie sociale Montréal, QC http://www.chantier.qc.ca/ |
| Conference Board of Canada Ottawa, ON Offices across Canada http://www.conferenceboard.ca/ | Couchiching Institute on Public Affairs Toronto, ON http://www.couchichinginstitute.ca/ | Council of Canadians Ottawa, ON Offices across Canada http://www.canadians.org/ |

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| Council of Canadian Academies Ottawa, ON http://www.scienceadvice.ca/en.aspx | Donald J. Savoie Insitute Moncton, NB http://www.djsi.ca/index.php/en/ | Fraser Institute Vancouver, BC Offices across Canada http://www.fraserinstitute.org/ |
| Frontier Centre for Public Policy Winnipeg, MB http://www.fcpp.org/ | George Morris Centre Guelph, ON http://www.georgemorris.org/ | GPI Atlantic Glen Haven, NS http://www.gpiatlantic.org/ |
| Human Security Report Project Vancouver, BC http://www.hsrgroup.org/ | Institut de politiques alternatives de Montréal Montréal, QC http://ipamontreal.org/ | Institut national de la recherche scientifique Québec, QC http://www.inrs.ca/ |
| Institute for Citizen-Centred Service Toronto, ON http://www.iccs-isac.org/ | Institute for Research on Public Policy Montréal, QC http://www.irpp.org/ | Institute of Health Economics Edmonton, AB http://www.ihe.ca/ |
| Institute of Public Administration of Canada Toronto, ON http://www.ipac.ca/ | Institute on Governance Ottawa, ON Toronto, ON http://iog.ca/ | International Development Research Centre Ottawa, ON Offices across Globe http://www.idrc.ca/ |
| International Institute for Sustainable Development Winnipeg, MB Offices across regions http://www.iisd.org/ | Justice Centre for Constitutional Freedoms Calgary, AB https://www.jccf.ca/ | Liu Centre for the Study of Global Issues Vancouver, BC http://www.ligi.ubc.ca/ |
| Macdonald-Laurier Institute Ottawa, ON http://www.macdonaldlaurier.ca/ | Mackenzie Institute Toronto, ON http://www.mackenzieinstitute.com/ | Montreal Economic Institute Montréal, QC http://www.iedm.org/ |
| Mowat Centre Toronto, ON http://www.mowatcentre.ca/ | Munk School of Global Affairs Toronto, ON http://munkschool.utoronto.ca/ | North-South Institute Ottawa, ON http://www.nsi-ins.ca/ |
| Northern Policy Institute Thunder Bay, ON Sudbury, ON http://www.northernpolicy.ca/ | Parkland Institute Edmonton, AB http://parklandinstitute.ca/ | Parliamentary Centre Ottawa, ON http://www.parlcent.org/ |
| Pearson Centre for Progressive Policy Ottawa, ON http://www.pearson-shoyama.ca/ | Pembina Institute Calgary, AB Offices across Canada http://www.pembina.org/ | Social Research and Demonstration Corporation Ottawa, ON Offices across Canada http://www.srdc.org/ |
| Unisféra International Centre Montréal, QC Offices across regions http://www.unisfera.org/ | Vanier Institute of the Family Ottawa, ON http://www.vanierinstitute.ca/ | Wellesley Institute Toronto, ON http://www.wellesleyinstitute.com/ |
| Work Research Foundation Hamilton, ON Offices across Canada www.cardus.ca | | |

For more think tanks and policy organizations:

- **Think Tank Initiative** – Latin America, Africa & South Asia <http://www.thinktankinitiative.org/think-tanks/map>
- **The Think Tank Map** – Directory of think tanks worldwide <http://www.thinktankmap.org/ThinkTanks.aspx?>