# Status of ICT in Canada

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ICT in the Canadian Economy

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### **ICT Contribution to the Canadian Economy**

	1997	2003
ICT contribution to Canadian GDP	\$32.7B	\$54.8B
Percentage of Canadian output	4.0	5.4
ICT employment	443,710	542,403
Percentage of Canadian employment	3.2	3.4

#### In 2003

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Average Annual Earnings - ICT

- \$52,600 \$35,862
- Canadian Average Annual Earnings

Source: Industry Canada, Statistics Canada



### ICT Contribution to the Canadian Economy (2)



Source: Industry Canada, ICT Statistical Overview

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### **ICT R&D Spending in Canada**

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Source: Statistics Canada 2003 survey, updated Nov 2004



#### Leading Canadian Telecom Corporate R&D Spenders

	Rank in Cdn Top 100	FY 2003 Expenditures
Nortel Networks	1	\$2,788,985,000
Bell Canada	2	\$1,000,000,000
Ericsson Canada	7	\$232,000,000
Research in Motion	25	\$91,030,000
Telus	41	\$47,500,000
BCE Emergis	42	\$46,200,000
Motorola Canada	46	\$45,000,000

Source: RESEARCH Infosource, "Canada's Top 100 Corporate R&D Spenders"



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### **International 'Connectedness' Indicators**



Source: ITU World Telecommunication Indicators Database



### **DSL Access Prices - Int'l Comparisons**



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Source: OECD, "Benchmarking Broadband Prices in the OECD", June 2004



## **Operator Market Shares – Can/US**





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Source: Lemay-Yates Associates, courtesy MTS

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#### **Canadian Residential Broadband subscribers**



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Source: Yankee Group





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# **Regional Industrial Concentration**

Total value added in telecommunication equipment manufacturing (1999)

Quebec	42%
Ontario	39%
Other Provinces	19%

Percentage of US PTO telecommunications patents invented in Canada by city (1976-2002)

Ottawa	58
Toronto	22
Montreal	17
Other Cities	3

Source: Niosi, J. Canada's Regional Innovation Systems (McGill-Queen's, 2005)

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## **Canadian Telecom**

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Source: Economist Intelligence Unit



### **Highlights in Canadian Telecom Development**

- **1874** 
  - Alexander Graham Bell invents telephone (Brantford, Ontario)
- **1882** 
  - Bell Telephone Co. of Canada launches manufacturing division in Montreal; becomes Northern Electric in 1895
- **1**958:
  - Northern implements first coast-to-coast microwave system
- **1**962:
  - Alouette 1 satellite launch makes Canada 3<sup>rd</sup> country in the world to have satellite in space;
  - subsequent Hermes and Anik programs developed by Communications Research Centre gives Canada world's first domestic satellite communications system
- **1**979:
  - Northern launches DMS-100
  - World's first full-featured local/toll digital telephone switching system



#### **Poles of Relevant Canadian Research Excellence**

#### Networks/Consortia

#### TRLabs: http://www.trlabs.ca/

- Western-Canadian based research consortium in telecommunications;
- 5 research labs Edmonton, Calgary, Saskatoon, Regina, Winnipeg
- Largest ICT research consortium in Canada 56 partners, 256 researchers, \$10M/yr budget



#### Poles of Relevant Canadian Research Excellence (2)

#### CANARIE: http://www.canarie.ca/

- Canada's advanced Internet development organization; not-for-profit corporation founded in 1993 by federal government
- Deployed CA\*net 3 in 1998, world's first national optical Internet research and education network
- Currently deploying CA\*net 4:
  - world's first customer controlled network;
  - made up of separate customer controlled IP networks rather than traditional IP routed network with central management and control
  - mostly provisioned at OC-192 (10 Gbps) speeds







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Source: Communications Research Centre Canada



## CA\*net 4 Architecture



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#### Poles of Relevant Canadian Research Excellence (3)

- AGILE ALL-PHOTONIC NETWORKS (AAPN) Research Network: <u>http://www.aapn.mcgill.ca/</u>
- Federally funded research network 2003-2007 (~\$8M/5yrs)
- 5 universities (14 faculty members), 6 companies (including Nortel, JDS-Uniphase, and TELUS), 2 govt. labs (CRC, NRC)
- Canada's largest research initiative in optical networking, spanning networks & architectures and enabling technologies





#### **Poles of Relevant Canadian Research Excellence (4)**

#### **Academic Research Centres:**

- Centre for Advanced Systems and Technologies in Communications (SYTACom), McGill University (<u>http://www.sytacom.mcgill.ca/</u>)
- Nortel Networks Institute for Advanced Information Technology, University of Waterloo <u>http://www.nortel-institute.uwaterloo.ca/nni\_home.html</u>
- Nortel Institute for Telecommunications, University of Toronto http://www.nit.utoronto.ca/

#### **Government Labs:**

- Communications Research Centre Canada <u>http://www.crc.ca/</u>
- National Research Council Institute for Information Technology (NRC-IIT) <u>http://iit-iti.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca/index\_e.html</u>



