

Government

The top level of government in Canada is the federal government. It is officially called the Government of Canada. Canada's government is a parliamentary democracy. It is called parliamentary because the men and women who make our Canadian laws are called the Parliament (just as it is in Britain and Australia and many other countries). In the U.S. by contrast, they are called the Congress. It is called a democracy because the people who make our laws are elected by Canadians.

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Federal Government Representation			
Official	Name	Location	Political Party
Bill Casey	Cumberland Colchester Musquodobit Valley MP	Amherst	Progressive Conservative

Provincial Government Representation			
Official	Name	Location	Political Party
Hon Ernest Fage	Cumberland North MLA	Amherst	Progressive Conservative
Hon Murray Scott	Cumberland South MLA Attorney General and Minister of Justice Minister responsible for the Human Rights Act Minister responsible for the Regulations Act Minister responsible for Part II of the Workers' Compensation Act	Springhill	Progressive Conservative

Municipal Government Representation

Within Cumberland County, local government is the responsibility of five Municipalities:

Municipality of the County of Cumberland

Town of Amherst

Town of Oxford

Town of Parrsboro

Town of Springhill

Name	Official	Location	Title
Municipality of the County of Cumberland	Gerald Read	District 1	Councillor
	John Kelligrew	District 2	Councillor
	Keith Hunter	District 3	Warden*/Councillor
	Kathy Langille	District 4	Councillor
	Gerald Langille	District 5	Councillor
	Kathy Redmond	District 6	Councillor
	Ralph Welton	District 7	Councillor
	Ernest Gilbert	District 8	Councillor
	John W. Reid	District 9	Councillor
	Ratchford Merriem	District 10	Councillor/Deputy Warden

*Note- The head of council in a municipality without a mayoralty system is called a Warden. The Warden is elected by the councillors themselves, from among the councillors who are elected at the regular election.

Town of Amherst	Jerry Hallee	Amherst	Mayor
	George Baker	Amherst	Deputy Mayor
	Dale Fawthrop	Amherst	Councillor
	Dave March	Amherst	Councillor
	Robert Angel	Amherst	Councillor
	Ed Chitty	Amherst	Councillor
	Terry Rhindress	Amherst	Councillor

Town of Oxford	Lloyd Jenkins	Oxford	Mayor
	Leonard Allen	Oxford	Deputy Mayor
	Wade Adshade	Oxford	Councillor
	Paul Jones	Oxford	Councillor
	Trish Stewart	Oxford	Councillor
	Dawn Thompson	Oxford	Councillor
	Peter Swan	Oxford	Councillor

Town of Parrsboro	Doug Robinson	Parrsboro	Mayor
	Lyle Yorke	Parrsboro	Deputy Mayor
	Gleneida Canning	Parrsboro	Councillor
	Lloyd Smith	Parrsboro	Councillor
	Lois Smith	Parrsboro	Councillor

Town of Springhill	Guy Brown	Springhill	Mayor
	Doug Dobson	Springhill	Deputy Mayor
	Darrell White	Springhill	Councillor
	Cathy Fisher	Springhill	Councillor
	Dick Rector	Springhill	Councillor
	Clarence Faulkner	Springhill	Councillor
	Robert Spence	Springhill	Councillor

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