

Montreal Metropolitan Community

Country	Canada
Population	4.6 million
World region	North America
Area	4374 km ²

● Context

Montréal, Quebec's largest city, is governed by the Ville de Montréal, which includes 19 boroughs, each managing local services and urban planning. The Montreal Metropolitan Community spans 82 municipalities, coordinating metropolitan planning, economic development, and infrastructure. Established by provincial law, the community has a formal structure with a governing board of elected representatives from its member municipalities.

● Economic profile

GDP as % of national GDP: 8.1%

GDP per capita: 60,070 USD

World Bank income group: High income

Major economic activities

Aerospace, life sciences and and biotechnology, information technology and artificial intelligence, transportation and logistics, creative industries, finance, manufacturing, tourism, green economy, education, and research.

Own source revenues

Investment income, surpluses metropolitan development funds, social housing funds.

● Governance structure

Year of constitution: 2001

Metropolitan government: Metropolitan government

Legal framework

The Montreal Metropolitan Community (CMM) operates under Canadian federal law, including the Constitution Act of 1982, which defines powers between federal and provincial governments. The Quebec government establishes the framework for metropolitan governance through the Act Respecting the Communauté Métropolitaine de Montreal (2000), granting the CMM authority over regional planning, public transport, and urban development.

Administrative structure

The CMM council, composed of municipal representatives, including mayors, operates under an indirect election model. An executive committee oversees operations, while specialised departments implement strategies. The mayor of Montreal typically serves as chair, selected through internal council processes.

Annual revenue, expenditure and sources

Total revenue of 139,95 million USD, sourced from municipal contributions, conditional transfers, investment income, surpluses, and long-term financing. Expenditures equalled \$139,95 million USD, allocated to housing, land and natural resource protection, metropolitan facilities, general administration, and debt servicing.

Number and type of administrative units

30 municipalities and 2 provinces.

KEY STRATEGIC PLANS



Resilience

Metropolitan Climate Plan
2023-2025



Strategic

Metropolitan Land Use
and Development Plan



Innovation

Metropolitan Economic
Development Plan