

**LIST OF BRITISH
COLUMBIA "FREE" GIS
DATA PROVIDERS**

Organization Name	URLs	Data Sets Available	Notes
Integrated Land Management Bureau	http://ilmbwww.gov.bc.ca/bmgs/products/free.htm	Raster Base Maps: 1:20k, 1:250, 1:2mil	
Geobase	http://www.geobase.ca/geobase/en/find.do?produit=cded1	DEM data sets	Data sets are freely available and tiled. Good search engine.
GeoCommunity	http://data.geocomm.com/catalog/CA/datalist.html	DEM, Landstat mosaics 1990 and 2000	Data sets are mainly free and tiled. Need user account.
Ministry of Energy, Mines, Petroleum Resources	http://www.em.gov.bc.ca/Mining/Geosurv/MapPlace/geoData.htm	Variety of data sets: Mineral Extraction, Wildlife habitat, etc.	Serves as a download site and GIS data web portal
GeoGratis	http://geogratias.cgdi.gc.ca/geogratias/en/download/index.html	Vector, Raster and Tabular data available	Name says it all
University of Waterloo	http://www.lib.uwaterloo.ca/discipline/Cartography/gis/data.html	Data portal for Canadian GIS data sites	The site to go to for finding other Global GIS sites (not exclusive to Canada)
Integrated Land Management Bureau	http://lrdw.ca/	Vegetation Data	Use "Download Land and Resource Data" E-Service and log on as a guest. Go to Photo Interpretation at this link to get an explanation regarding veg classification: http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hts/vri/standards/index.html History (disturbance) information is found in the file you will extract from the Land Resource Data Warehouse.
University of Toronto	http://atlantis.chass.utoronto.ca/maplib/cgi-bin/datainventory.pl?search=geography&geography=131	Census data in Shapefiles	Click on the one that says Census of Canada Block Data and Geography Files 2001 < http://atlantis.chass.utoronto.ca/maplib/cgi-bin/datainventory.pl?idnum=444&display=full > (the link above this one is restricted).
Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada	http://sis.agr.gc.ca/cansis/nsdb/intro.html	Soil database	
World Resources Institute	http://www.globalforestwatch.ca/datawarehouse/datawarehouse.htm	Non-intact and intact forest coverage, Cultural data, and general	A GREAT site!!!
BC Province data	http://aardvark.gov.bc.ca/apps/dwds/home.so	Variety of data sets	Create an account. Then select your data layers. They will email you when your request is processed (at this time I am still waiting... 1 day thus far)
Ministry of Energy, Mines, Petroleum Resources	http://www.em.gov.bc.ca/Mining/Titles/GIS/Datasets.htm	List of mineral data sets	A lot of data is only available by request but is still considered "public" in BC I've been told by provincial staff