



The Last Province...Newfoundland Joins Canada

Traditionally Newfoundland had more ties to Britain than Canada. It was a British colony which meant that Britain had final say about anything that happened in Newfoundland. After World War II Britain was busy rebuilding and had less desire to govern their colonies. What would happen to Newfoundland?

The people of Newfoundland had 3 options:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

One of the most controversial was the option of joining Confederation. Complete the following chart with the reasons for, and against, the idea of joining Canada.

	Pros	Cons
Reasons		
Who supported this idea?		

The Final Vote:

52% of Newfoundlanders voted to join Canada and on March 31st, 1949 Newfoundland and Labrador became the 10th and final province of Canada with Joey Smallwood as premier.