

VANCOUVER WE ARE HOME



An Economic Powerhouse

Canada's fastest growing and most diverse metropolitan economy

Vancouver's economic strategy has been simple: Take the steps needed to build a resilient economy, one that can withstand the boom-and-bust cycles that are amplified when economies hang their success on a small handful of industries.

That has meant diversifying and focusing on knowledge-based sectors, such as technology, digital entertainment and interactive and the green economy. These efforts have paid off, as our economy is now the fastest growing and most diverse in Canada.

Significant opportunities for further growth and development

With nearly a million more people expected to call Vancouver home in the next two decades, the region has developed a growth strategy focused on maintaining a compact urban area. This reflects the recognition that sprawling urban development necessitates costly and inefficient urban infrastructure, consumes the natural landscape and adds to the global problems of greenhouse gases, limited resources and climate change.

#1 Forecasted Future
Economic Growth in Canada

Conference Board of Canada 2017

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Growth in Canada

Financial Post FP500 2004 - 2014

#5 Most Tax Competitive
City in the World

KPMG 2016



A long history of pioneering technological innovation

Companies in the region have introduced the world's first cellular radio, developed the technology that powered the first broadband internet network, and commercialized the world's first quantum computer and the fastest growing business app of all time. We understand the balance of taking calculated risks while being bold to create, disrupt and reshape the world in which we live, work and play.



World-class creative and digital entertainment sector

VFX for the world's top-grossing films (such as Star Wars) are created in Vancouver, and the world's #1-selling video games (including FIFA soccer) are developed and produced in Vancouver. We are a hub for diverse, innovative and vibrant talent that makes us the world's #1 VFX & Animation center and the third largest film and television production center in North America.



The fastest-growing technology sector in Canada

BC leads Canada in technology-sector GDP growth and job creation and boasts Canada's #1 startup ecosystem, three of five Canadian billion-dollar startups, and two of Canada's top three universities in software development.

Key Research: KPMG Competitive Alternatives 2016

KPMG's Competitive Alternatives 2016 compares business costs in more than 100 cities in 10 countries, based on the combined impact of 26 key cost items that vary by location. The table presented here reflects the results for the largest cities in each of the study countries, with all metro populations of at least 2 million people.

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Most Tax Competitive City in the World

KPMG 2016

KPMG Competitive Alternatives 2016 City Results

Rank	City	Country	Index*
1	Monterrey	Mexico	76.5
2	Mexico City	Mexico	78.6
3	Montreal	Canada	85.2
4	Toronto	Canada	85.6
5	Vancouver	Canada	86.2
6	Manchester	UK	86.4
7	Rotterdam	Netherlands	87.5
8	Amsterdam	Netherlands	87.8
9	Melbourne	Australia	88.8
10	Rome	France	89.1
11	Milan	Italy	89.5
12	Sydney	Australia	90.1
13	Paris	France	91.7
14	Osaka	Japan	91.8
15	Berlin	Germany	91.9
16	Frankfurt	Germany	92.8
17	Tokyo	Japan	93.6
18	Atlanta	US	95.1
19	Miami	US	95.4
20	London	UK	95.4
21	Dallas-Fortworth*	US	96.2
22	Houston	US	97.6
23	Chicago*	US	98.3
24	North Virginia, Metro DC	US	99.4
25	Philadelphia	US	99.8
	US BASELINE		100.00
26	Los Angeles*	US	100.8
27	Boston	US	101.2
28	San Francisco	US	104.5
29	New York City*	US	104.7

* US Baseline is the average of the four largest US metro areas.



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Most Liveable City in North America

Economist Intelligence Unit 2017

Some consider us (quite) attractive – and it’s not just our physical beauty

The most desired destination to live in North America

Majestic mountains, sparkling ocean, unlimited outdoor activities and infrastructure enabling residents to both live and work in an urban center are just a few reasons Vancouver is consistently ranked as the most livable city in North America.

Global companies are increasingly attracted to Vancouver

Unparalleled technology talent, geographic advantages and among the lowest operating costs and taxes of major North American cities. These reasons among many others have driven a strong roster of the world’s leading tech companies — including Microsoft, Boeing (analytics lab), Cisco, Electronic Arts, GE, Intel, and SAP — as well as homegrown successes like Slack, Hootsuite, Avigilon, Bardel, D-Wave, Lululemon Athletica and Vision Critical to call Vancouver home.

Part of the Pacific Tech Timezone

Vancouver’s geographic location is a distinct advantage allowing for quick and direct movement between cities in the Pacific Tech Timezone (PTT): Vancouver, Seattle, Portland, San Francisco, Silicon Valley, Los Angeles, and San Diego. For example, flying time from Vancouver to Los Angeles is a short 3 hours flight.

Global Gateway

- ▶ Vancouver’s time zone allows same-day access to London, New York and Hong Kong
- ▶ Vancouver’s airport offers the shortest distances to Asia than any other North American airport, 14 daily flights from Vancouver to Asia
- ▶ Vancouver International Airport is consistently named as the Best Airport in North America, and ranks in the top ten airports worldwide.



A Thriving Tech Ecosystem

From startups to giants, Vancouver is a top choice for tech companies

With more than 150,000 tech workers across all industry sectors, BC has the fastest growing tech workforce in Canada. BC's tech employment growth rate was more than one-and-a-half times the Canadian average. This rapid growth has resulted in BC's tech-sector employment representing a 30% higher share of the provincial economy compared to other provinces.

Technology is the fastest growing sector in Vancouver and generates more than \$25 billion in revenue each year. Of the 101,000 tech professionals living in British Columbia (BC), 75,000 work in Vancouver. In fact, that number is predicted to grow significantly with another 15,000 tech jobs forecast by 2020.

Today, six of the top 10 global tech companies by market cap (i.e., Microsoft, Amazon, Facebook, IBM, Oracle Microsystems and SAP) have a physical presence in BC. Vancouver is also home to digital entertainment giants Sony Picture Imageworks, Industrial Light and Magic, Netflix Productions, Bandai Namco, Nintendo, and Double Negative. BC is also home to large multinational companies such as GE, Cisco, McKesson, Intel, and Samsung.

Vancouver is *Startup City*

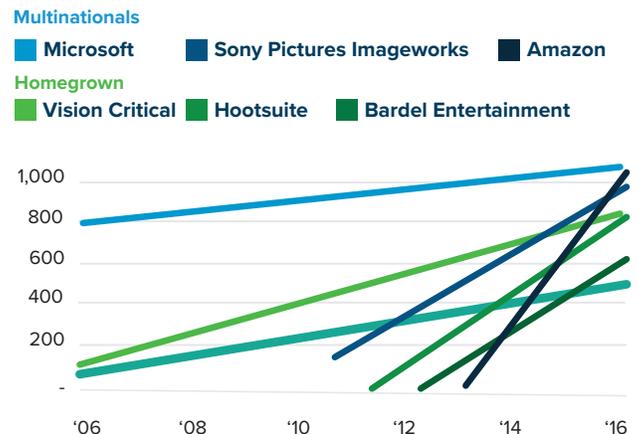
As **Canada's number one startup ecosystem**, Vancouver is home to well over a thousand tech startups thriving in an atmosphere of competitive collaboration. These range from hundreds of boot-strapping companies in stealth mode to the hundreds more that have launched leading-edge concepts, including Aspect Biosystems (3D-bioprinting), Kindred.ai (artificial intelligence for robotic systems) and D-Wave Systems (quantum computing).

They are complemented by homegrown anchor companies and innovative enterprises with a global footprint, like the three of Canada's five tech unicorns, namely Slack (the fastest growing business app ever), Hootsuite and Avigilon.



Tech Company Growth in Vancouver

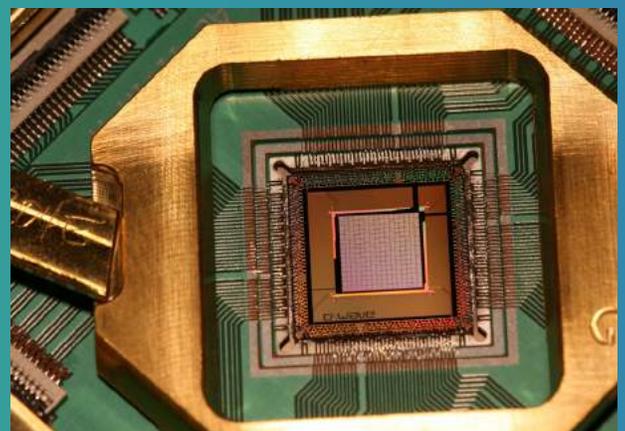
Employee Numbers Over Time 2006 - 2016



Source: Vancouver Economic Commission 2017

BC universities catalyze new ventures

- ▶ 200 companies have been started through commercialization of research from UBC
- ▶ 75 companies have been spun out of SFU to date
- ▶ The world's first commercially available quantum computer was developed by D-Wave Systems, an offshoot of UBC
- ▶ Two of Canada's five unicorns, Hootsuite and Slack, were started by UVic graduates; the other, Avigilon, came from VCC





A Tech Talent Hub

Home to two of Canada's top three universities (UBC and SFU) in software development

UBC, SFU, UVic, and UNBC all rank in the top three of their respective categories. To continue to be national leaders, BC universities have evolved their program mix to meet the needs of the technology sector. Between 2006 and 2015, there was a 57% increase in engineering and computer science program spaces. Across the province, co-op placements have increased 40% over four years to 14,000 in 2015/16. In fact, UVic has the largest graduate co-op placement program in Canada.

Relevant BC Post-Secondary Institutions:

- ▶ University of British Columbia (UBC)
- ▶ Simon Fraser University (SFU)
- ▶ University of Victoria (UVic)
- ▶ British Columbia Institute of Technology (BCIT)
- ▶ Brainstation
- ▶ Camosun College
- ▶ Capilano University
- ▶ Centre for Digital Media
- ▶ Douglas College
- ▶ Emily Carr University of Art and Design
- ▶ Justice Institute of British Columbia
- ▶ Kwantlen Polytechnic University
- ▶ Langara College
- ▶ LaSalle College Vancouver
- ▶ Lighthouse Labs
- ▶ Lost Boys Studios
- ▶ New York Institute of Technology
- ▶ Nicola Valley Institute of Technology
- ▶ Okanagan College
- ▶ Red Academy
- ▶ Royal Roads University
- ▶ Thompson Rivers University
- ▶ University of the Fraser Valley
- ▶ Vancouver Community College (VCC)
- ▶ Vancouver Film School
- ▶ Vancouver Island University

Credentials Awarded in STEM 2014-2016	
Field of Study	Credentials
Science	11,865
Technology, except engineering technology	1,340
Engineering and engineering technology	10,635
Mathematics and computer sciences	6,155
Total	29,995

Source: BC HEADset; BCIT; UBC 2017

Credentials Awarded in Business, Management, Marketing and Related Support Services 2014-2016	
BC Public Post-Secondary Institutions	Credentials
University of British Columbia	3,672
Simon Fraser University	3,291
Royal Roads University	2,509
Thompson Rivers University	2,271
University of Victoria	917
British Columbia Institute of Technology	533
University of Northern British Columbia	476
Total	13,669

Source: Ministry of Advanced Education 2017

57%

increase in computer science spaces between 2006 - 2015



A leader in attracting and growing high-caliber tech talent

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Vancouver's student population brings diverse global perspectives and skills

With over 141,000 international students currently studying in the province, BC is a leader in the country with respect to attracting students from all over the world. In 2014, BC had the highest share (14%) of international students as a proportion of total college and university students when compared to Ontario (11%), Alberta (8%), and Quebec (8%). UBC was also ranked as North America's most international university with over 14,000 international students from 162 countries in 2016.

UBC International Student Enrollment Percentage

2016/17 Academic Year

53%
Master of Science
in Computer Science

47%
Doctor of Philosophy
in Computer Science

27%
Bachelor of Science
in Computer Science

Source: Office of the VP Research & Innovation, UBC

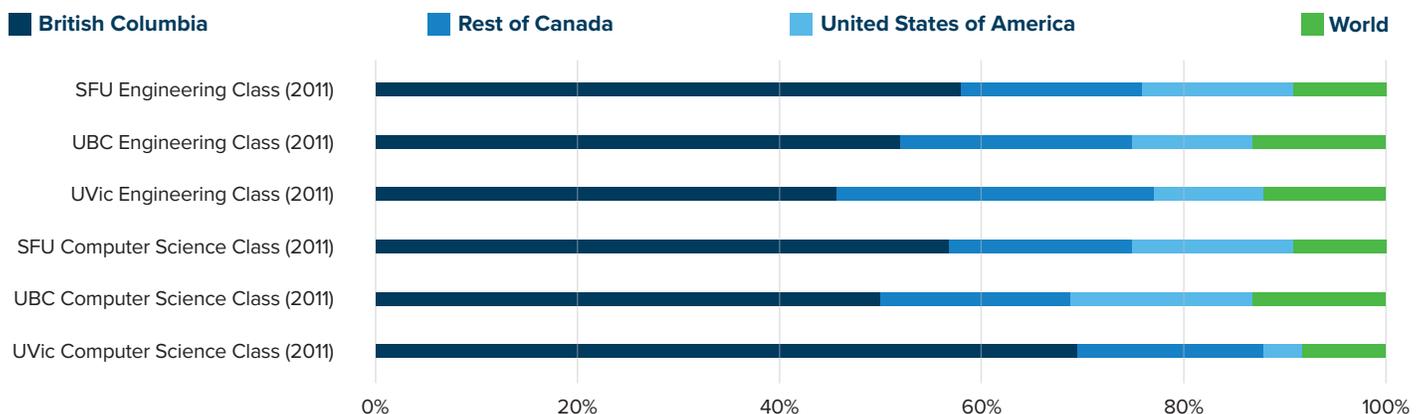
Our talent is here to stay

Favorable immigration policies make BC the best place to call home

Canada's tech sector has long drawn interest from US technology giants that need foreign talent. Amazon, Facebook, Boeing, and Microsoft all have offices in Vancouver, enabling them to hire foreign workers who can collaborate with colleagues south of the border. BC has made a concerted effort to make it easy for US tech companies to open offices in Canada, providing financial incentives and working with the federal government to expedite visas for skilled foreign workers. **Our talent doesn't view BC as a short-term experience, but rather a home where they can grow their careers and build a future.**

Where BC Grads End Up Working

BC Grads Choose to Build a Future Here



Source: ICTC LinkedIn Query 2016



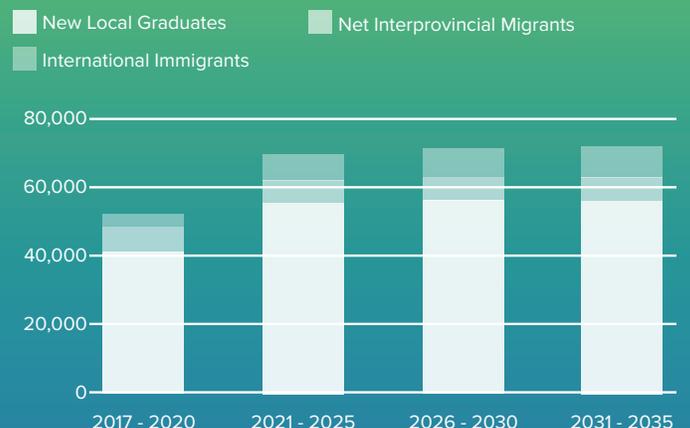
A net attractor of talent from other provinces

BC has the highest number of net interprovincial migrants in Canada. BC's number of interprovincial migrants between 2012 and 2017 totaled 70,722, outpacing Alberta (65,335), Ontario (-2,394), and Quebec (-62,762). Most notably among BC's interprovincial migrants, is the proportion of millennials; approximately 40% of this group is within the 18 to 44 age range. Young talent brings new, in-demand skills and diverse perspectives which are critical to technology companies looking to grow their footprint.

A magnet for global professionals

Vancouver's bustling and vibrant tech ecosystem – home to thousands of homegrown startups and global technology companies – has captured the attention of tech talent from all over the world. Couple that with Vancouver's widespread reputation and recognition as one of the world's most livable and diverse cities, it's no wonder that talent consistently views Vancouver as an unparalleled place to transform their career.

The Tech Talent Pipeline
New Entrants to the BC Labour Force



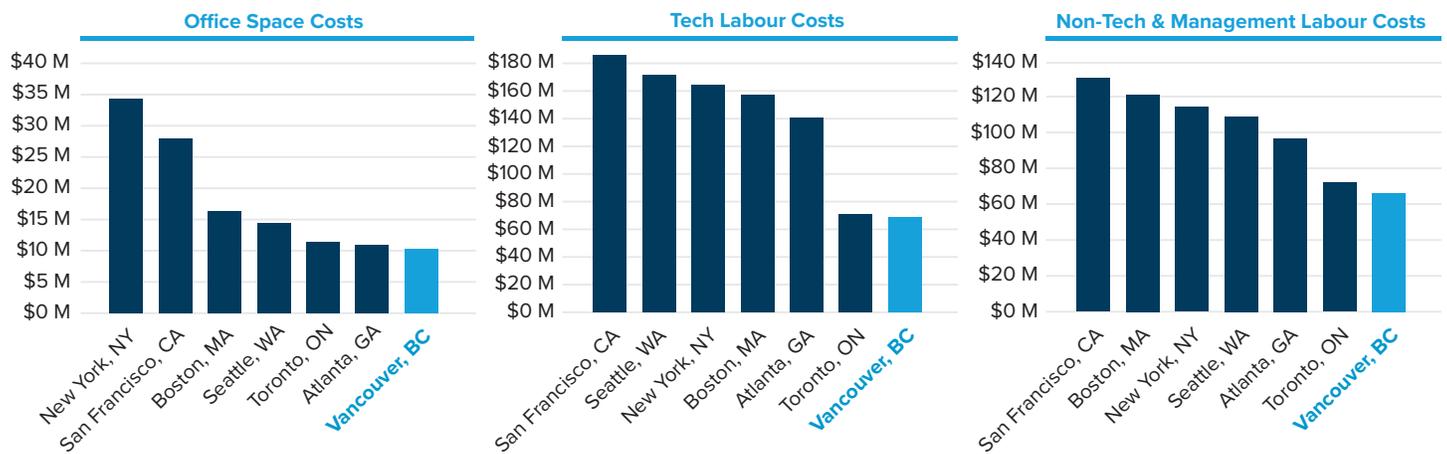
A sustainable, low-cost advantage

A long-term competitive cost advantage

We gathered the data, crunched the numbers, analyzed the results, and crunched the numbers again. There is no denying that Vancouver provides the most sustainable, low-cost advantage for operating costs now and in the future. Competitive office space and affordable wages for quality talent culminate into significant cost savings.

Office Space, Labour and Management Costs over 10 Years

In millions USD; imputed cumulative, undiscounted 10-year costs per 300 employees and 45,000 square feet of office space



Source: CBRE Scoring Tech Talent 2017 (see page 10 for original data). Scaled.

Locating a 300 person office in **Vancouver** over 10 years saves:

- \$199M over San Francisco
- \$168 M over New York
- \$10 M over Toronto

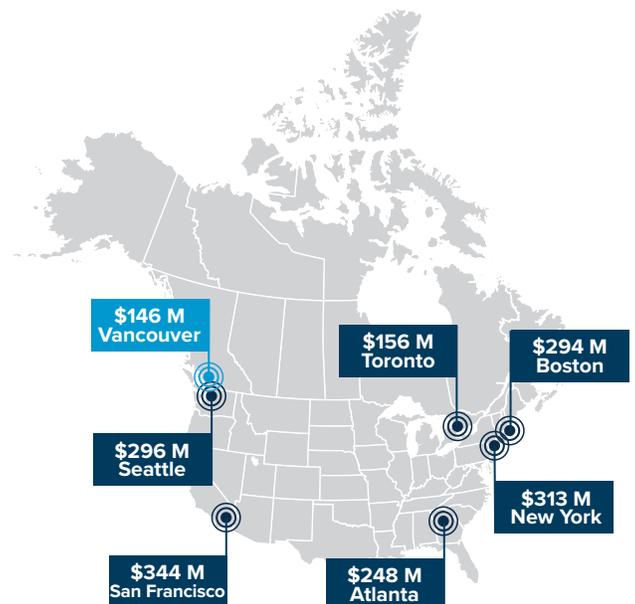
Total Office Space, Labour, and Management Costs

In Millions USD; imputed cumulative, undiscounted 10-year costs per 300 employees and 45,000 square feet of office space

City	Total Cost
San Francisco	\$344,495,904
New York	\$313,394,916
Seattle	\$295,830,786
Boston	\$293,930,322
Atlanta	\$248,309,346
Toronto	\$155,565,618
Vancouver	\$145,928,088

Compared to a city such as New York, **Vancouver provides a cost savings of USD \$167 million**

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For the original CBRE data set at a one-year timeframe for 500 people, see the next page.

Key Research: CBRE 2017 Scoring Tech Talent

Key Estimated One-Year Wage and Rent Obligations for Sample U.S.-Based Tech Firm by Market

Sample Tech Firm Estimations: 500 Employees, 75,000 Sq. Ft.

Market	Rent Cost (Avg Rent x 75,000 SF)	Tech Talent Wages (Avg. Wage x 250 People)	Support Non-Tech Wages (Avg. Wage x 213 People)	Management Wages (Avg. Wage x 37 People)	Total Estimated Cost
SF Bay Area, CA	\$4,606,500	\$30,789,506	\$14,961,546	\$7,058,433	\$57,415,984
New York, NY	\$5,709,750	\$27,219,566	\$12,445,590	\$6,857,580	\$52,232,486
Washington, D.C.	\$2,793,000	\$27,082,593	\$14,373,118	\$6,106,387	\$50,355,097
Seattle, WA	\$2,393,211	\$28,476,566	\$12,661,133	\$5,774,220	\$49,305,131
Boston, MA	\$2,693,250	\$25,994,778	\$14,576,459	\$5,723,900	\$48,988,387
Newark, NJ	\$1,930,500	\$26,903,042	\$11,510,307	\$6,567,500	\$46,911,349
Denver, CO	\$1,973,250	\$25,095,733	\$12,608,320	\$6,095,010	\$45,772,313
San Diego, CA	\$2,514,311	\$25,064,461	\$11,266,141	\$6,016,940	\$44,861,853
Orange County, CA	\$2,403,000	\$24,813,877	\$12,041,812	\$5,284,710	\$44,543,399
Houston, TX	\$2,218,500	\$23,807,211	\$12,544,424	\$5,823,800	\$44,393,935
Los Angeles, CA	\$2,738,431	\$23,904,222	\$11,949,056	\$5,799,380	\$44,391,090
Austin, TX	\$2,541,750	\$22,860,779	\$12,617,375	\$5,703,180	\$43,723,085
Baltimore, MD	\$1,685,250	\$24,705,908	\$11,862,947	\$5,279,530	\$43,533,635
Philadelphia, PA	\$1,995,000	\$23,387,633	\$12,092,674	\$5,966,990	\$43,442,297
Long Island, NY	\$2,006,250	\$23,136,619	\$12,142,161	\$5,966,990	\$43,252,020
Dallas/Ft. Worth, TX	\$1,796,250	\$23,334,635	\$12,248,403	\$5,801,793	\$43,181,082
Hartford, CT	\$1,487,250	\$24,056,316	\$11,948,182	\$5,376,840	\$42,868,588
Minneapolis, MN	\$1,993,500	\$22,921,399	\$12,036,357	\$5,254,000	\$42,205,256
Chicago, IL	\$2,226,000	\$22,800,090	\$11,820,630	\$5,181,850	\$42,028,571
Raleigh-Durham, NC	\$1,854,750	\$23,600,083	\$11,368,141	\$5,142,053	\$41,965,027
Charlotte, NC	\$1,841,250	\$23,276,138	\$11,050,209	\$5,295,070	\$41,462,667
Atlanta, GA	\$1,828,500	\$23,095,030	\$11,288,020	\$5,173,340	\$41,384,891
Columbus, OH	\$1,442,250	\$23,127,524	\$10,843,517	\$5,477,850	\$40,891,140
Richmond, VA	\$1,466,205	\$22,617,456	\$11,195,630	\$5,374,250	\$40,653,541
Sacramento, CA	\$1,611,000	\$22,973,093	\$11,020,689	\$4,947,640	\$40,552,422
San Antonio, TX	\$1,632,000	\$22,027,208	\$11,080,945	\$5,776,440	\$40,516,593
Portland, OR	\$2,015,250	\$22,509,900	\$11,006,638	\$4,899,540	\$40,431,329
Phoenix, AZ	\$1,863,750	\$21,557,673	\$10,291,074	\$5,249,190	\$38,961,687
Detroit, MI	\$1,380,000	\$20,870,533	\$11,522,909	\$5,014,142	\$38,787,585
St. Louis, MO	\$1,399,500	\$21,793,568	\$10,348,439	\$5,131,160	\$38,672,667
Virginia Beach, VA	\$1,407,750	\$21,128,435	\$10,649,339	\$5,201,090	\$38,386,614
Cincinnati, OH	\$1,431,750	\$20,847,602	\$10,989,513	\$4,736,740	\$38,005,606
Ft. Lauderdale, FL	\$2,379,000	\$19,871,113	\$10,181,506	\$5,189,990	\$37,621,609
Pittsburgh, PA	\$1,634,250	\$20,107,965	\$10,918,471	\$4,857,730	\$37,518,416
Milwaukee, WI	\$1,371,000	\$19,842,064	\$11,594,772	\$4,597,990	\$37,405,827
Kansas City, MO	\$1,381,500	\$20,755,951	\$10,477,658	\$4,749,690	\$37,364,799
Orlando, FL	\$1,572,750	\$20,578,211	\$9,658,866	\$5,220,700	\$37,030,528
Cleveland, OH	\$1,353,750	\$19,594,454	\$11,258,375	\$4,794,830	\$37,001,408
Miami, FL	\$2,733,000	\$18,924,926	\$10,266,416	\$4,974,650	\$36,898,991
Madison, WI	\$1,455,000	\$19,443,166	\$11,513,153	\$4,342,690	\$36,754,009
Salt Lake City, UT	\$1,780,500	\$20,700,658	\$10,040,307	\$4,002,290	\$36,523,756
Tampa, FL	\$1,700,250	\$19,608,621	\$9,780,633	\$5,381,280	\$36,470,784
Omaha, NE	\$1,464,000	\$20,038,872	\$10,230,822	\$4,548,040	\$36,281,734
Rochester, NY	\$1,462,500	\$19,412,227	\$10,472,455	\$4,893,250	\$36,240,432
Indianapolis, IN	\$1,407,000	\$19,418,121	\$10,992,643	\$4,247,600	\$36,065,364
Nashville, TN	\$1,869,750	\$19,855,301	\$10,344,981	\$3,991,190	\$36,061,222
Jacksonville, FL	\$1,430,250	\$20,146,232	\$9,517,984	\$4,576,530	\$35,670,996
Oklahoma City, OK	\$1,296,000	\$18,606,115	\$9,964,585	\$3,819,140	\$33,685,840
Toronto, ON*	\$1,913,318	\$11,802,660	\$9,308,604	\$2,903,021	\$25,927,603
Vancouver, BC*	\$1,720,866	\$11,375,309	\$8,566,251	\$2,658,922	\$24,321,348

*in USD; Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, April 2017, Canada Statistics April 2017, CBRE Research (Metro Area), Q1 2017.

Provincial & Federal Support

BC Tech Strategy | [Learn More](#)

In 2017, the BC Government developed and released the 2017 BC Tech Strategy to progress the province's goals to support technology and innovation in the province.

- ▶ Capital: A \$100 million CAD Technology Fund was created. The fund is designed to address the early-stage, "A-Round" funding gap.
- ▶ Talent: BC is focused on developing talent by offering wider and earlier availability of learning and development programs.

BC is also working with federal immigration officials to increase the number of foreign skilled workers and provide support to help expedite the process.

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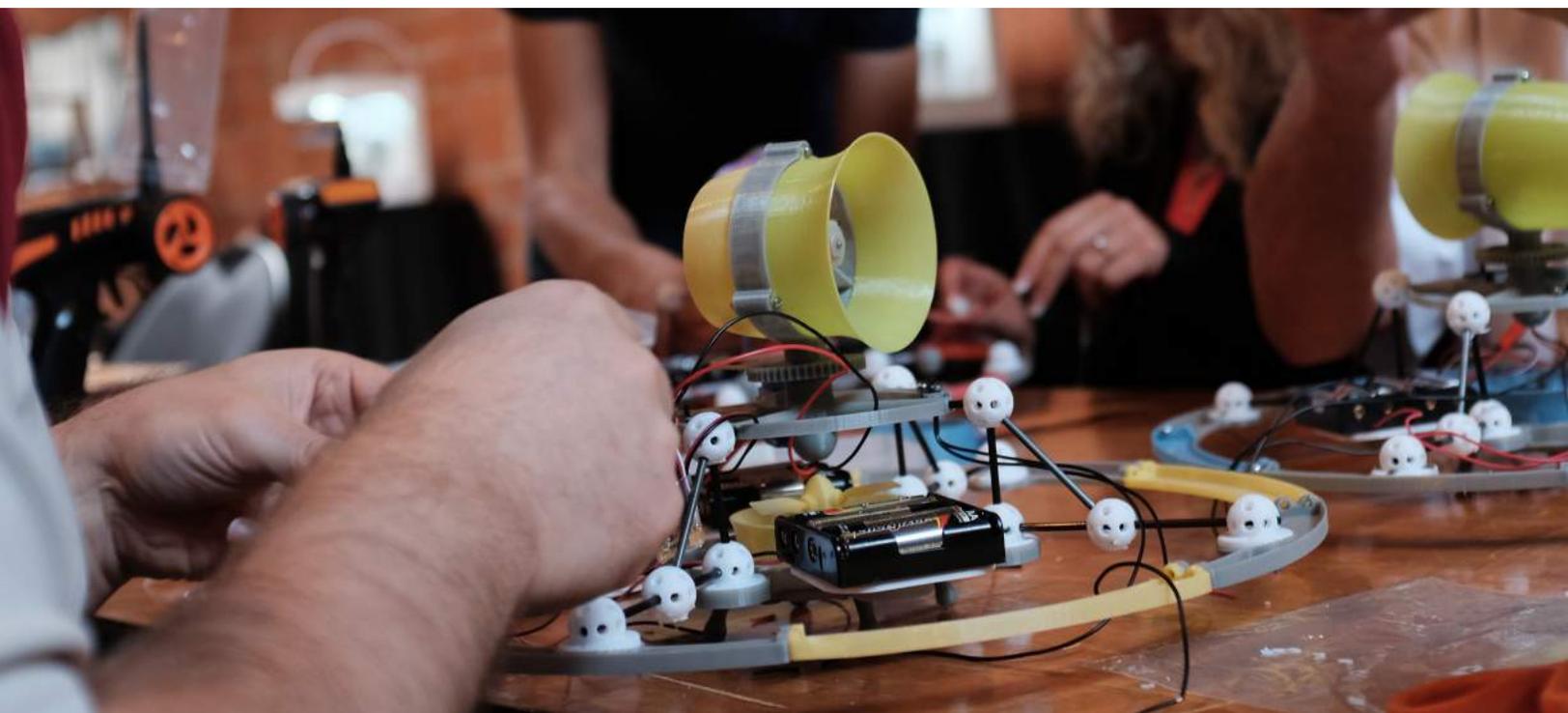
MITACS is a national, not-for-profit organization that has designed and delivered research and training programs in Canada for 15 years. Working with 60 universities, thousands of companies, and both federal and provincial governments, they build partnerships that support industrial and social innovation in Canada, match funding, and provide direct support.

Research and Development Grants & Funding | [Learn More](#)

The National Research Council (NRC) is the Government of Canada's premier research and technology organization. NRC's Industrial Research Assistance Program (IRAP) assists firms to develop, adopt and adapt technologies and incorporate them into competitive products and services to be commercialized in the global marketplace.

Interactive Digital Media Tax Credit (IDMTC) | [Learn More](#)

The interactive digital media tax credit (IDMTC) is for eligible registered corporations that develop interactive digital media products. The credit is calculated as 17.5% of eligible salary and wages incurred in the tax year. The program is intended to expand the credit to include augmented and virtual reality products designed to entertain.





Research and Development (R&D) Investment Tax Credits | [Learn More](#)

The Scientific Research & Experimental Development (SR&ED) tax credit program can be used to substantially fund R&D and is attractive to companies establishing themselves in the province. SR&ED provides companies with either refundable or non-refundable tax credits for eligible expenditures incurred in Canada for research and development activities.

Federal Government R&D Investment Tax Credit Summary

		Investment Tax Credit (ITC) Rate	Refund Rate
Qualified SR&ED in Canada*	Qualifying Canadian-Controlled Private Corporations (CCPCs)	35% of annual qualified expenditures up to threshold (\$3 million or less) ** + 15% of qualified expenditures not eligible for the 35% rate	100% of ITCs computed at the 35% rate + 40% of ITCs computed at the 15% rate
	Other corporations	15%	n/a
	Individuals	15%	40% of ITCs

Source: PricewaterhouseCoopers. Tax Facts and Figures for Individuals and Corporations, 2017.

Under the B.C. provincial investment tax credit program, eligible corporations can take a 10% tax credit against provincial income tax in addition to receiving federal SR&ED tax credits. Similar to the SR&ED program, CCPC's are eligible for refunds while non-CCPC's must apply the credit against taxes payable.

Provincial Government R&D Investment Tax Credit Summary

Qualifying Entities	Tax Credit Rate	Refund Rate	Further Details	Who Qualifies?
Qualifying Canadian Controlled Private Corps. (CCPCs)	10% Credit Against Provincial Income Tax	Refundable	Qualifying CCPCs are refundable on the first \$3 million of expenditures eligible for SR&ED credit	Qualified research must fit advancement, uncertainty, and content criteria.
Other Corporations		Non-refundable	Other Corporations may carry the tax credit forward 10 years and back 3 years	

Source: PricewaterhouseCoopers. Tax Facts and Figures for Individuals and Corporations, 2017.

We don't just offer jobs, we offer a life



The #1 destination to live and work in North America

Economic and political stability, universal healthcare, diversity in culture and environment, as well as world-class education and infrastructure are just a few of the reasons Vancouver has consistently been ranked as #1 for livability and quality of life across all North American cities.



A spectacular and safe city setting

Majestic mountains, sparkling ocean, rainforests and beautiful foliage throughout all four seasons make Vancouver one of the most beautiful cities in the world. Canadians are known for our friendly nature, and Vancouver's citizens take great pride in our welcoming, clean, safe streets – day or night, all year round.

Safety of our residents and tourists is a top priority. Vancouver has taken active measures to ensure safety on our streets. As a result, our crime rates are lower than most US cities. For example, homicide and violent crime rates are less than 10% most US cities.



From sea to sky

Outdoor enthusiasts love having nature's playground at their doorstep. Three local mountains, Cypress, Grouse and Seymour, offer access to trails for hiking and biking in summer and first-rate skiing and snowboarding in winter. Whistler – North America's #1 ski resort – is also located 90 minutes from the downtown core. Within the city, residents and tourists flock to Stanley Park which offers a 13 mile seawall for walking, cycling, running and rollerblading. And if you're seeking sun and sand, Kitsilano Beach is a popular local destination, boasting the longest swimming pool in North America.

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Economist Intelligence Unit 2017

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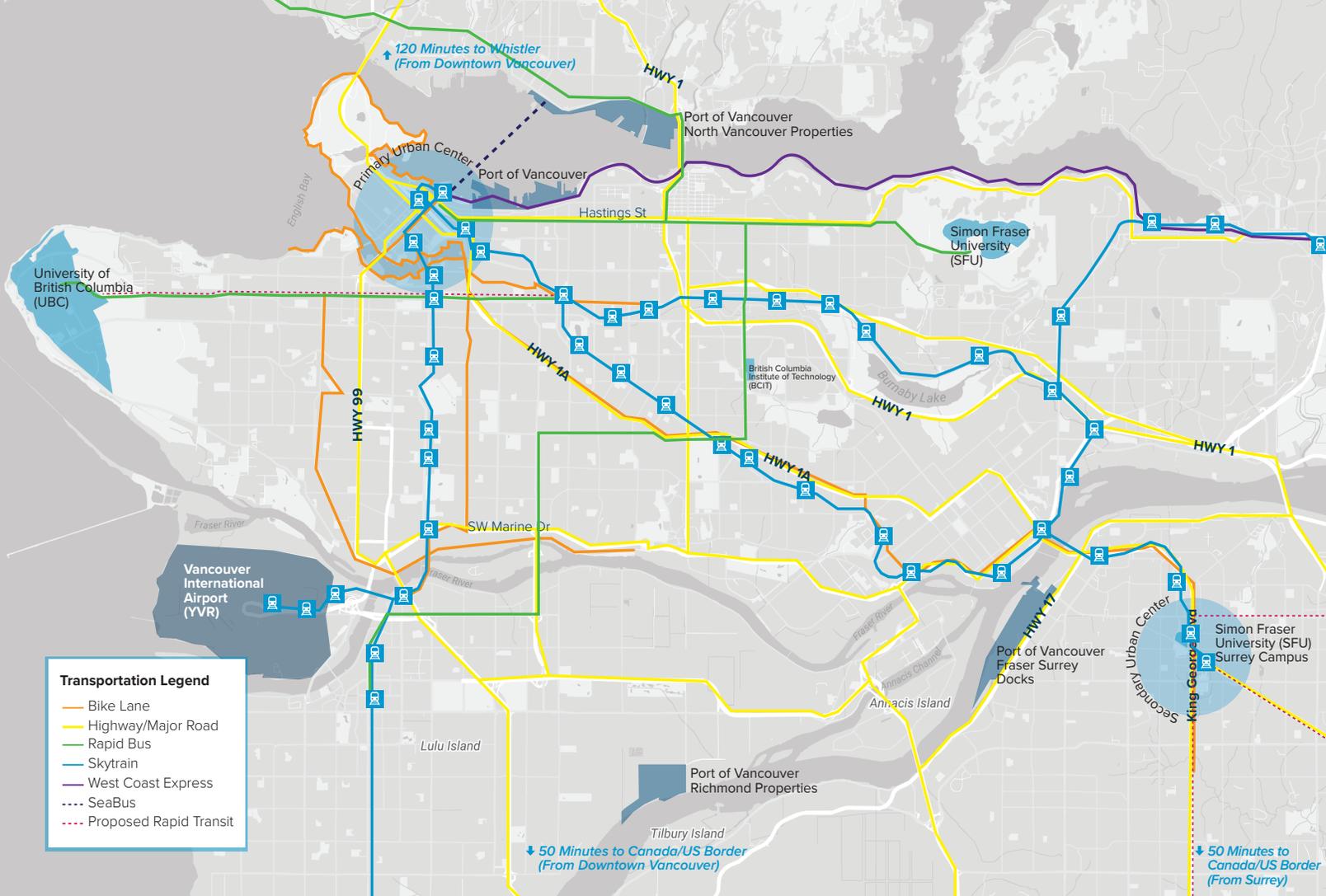
Healthiest
City in North America

Time Magazine 2014

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City for Millennials
in North America

Nestpick 2017



Highly-accessible digital districts

The majority of Vancouver’s innovation and tech-based businesses are clustered in key districts: the Downtown Core, Gastown, Yaletown, False Creek Flats, Mount Pleasant and Kitsilano/Broadway. The region’s compact size and multitude of transportation options, broadly defined by a 25-minute radius, makes getting around easy – a major reason entrepreneurs and career-makers are choosing to call Vancouver home.

Investing in tomorrow’s infrastructure

In an effort to enable more connected communities, as well as address housing affordability, numerous transportation projects are underway across the region. As the region continues to expand its reach and pave the way for tomorrow’s communities, a strong focus is put on developing infrastructure that enables efficient and effective point-to-point connectivity.

Rapid Transit

A total of \$7.5 billion has been committed to near term rapid transit to increase capacity and support 17 miles of service extension, adding 27 new stops; all providing greater connectivity and accessibility across the region.

Roads and Bridges

Government and major transportation corporations are investing \$1.6 billion in immediate investments for road, bridge, and bikeway construction with the aim of increasing safety, increasing capacity, reducing congestion, and increasing accessibility and connectivity to fast-growing, suburban areas.

Airports

The Vancouver Airport Authority has a \$6 billion upgrade planned for Vancouver International Airport (YVR), which includes a five arm extension of the main terminal.

Ports

Port capacity expansion projects are underway with the largest being a \$2 billion investment focused on additional container capacity of 2.4 million TEUs, draught of 18 meters, land creation of 115 hectares, terminal length of 1,550 meters, and berth length of 1,300 meters.

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