

Montréal

Talent and tech to move forward together



City quick facts

- 4.3 million people, 16th largest metro area in Canada and the U.S.
- Canada's most bilingual and trilingual population
- Best economic forecast in Canada in 2021 (*The Conference Board of Canada*)
- Reliable electricity, 99% renewable and one of the lowest rates in North America
- Less than 90-minute flight from Boston, New York and Toronto
- Montréal airport: direct flights to over 150 destinations
- Port of Montréal: 2nd largest port in Canada

World-class ecosystems



19,500

workers with AI expertise

- **Top 3 locations** for investing in North America



43,000

jobs in aerospace

- **2nd best place location** for investing in North America



19,000

jobs in digital creativity (VFX and video game)

- **No. 1 city in Canada**



45,000

jobs in life sciences and health technology



113,000

jobs in financial services

- **1st global AI centre of expertise** in the sector

Source: KPMG, 2020; LinkedIn Talent Insights, 2020; fDi Benchmark, 2021; Ministère de l'Économie et de l'Innovation, 2020; Statistics Canada, 2020; BizCosts, The Boyd Company, 2020.



Canada's university capital

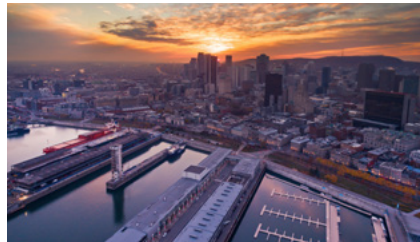
Best Student City in the Americas (*QS Best Student Cities 2019*), Greater Montréal has 11 universities and 60 colleges, with over 320,000 university and college students enrolled every year, including 50,000 international students.

So many more reasons to invest in Greater Montréal...



Innovative business ecosystem

No. 1 in Canada for R&D investment (in % of GDP), large number of research centres have set up in Montréal in the last few years, especially in AI. Greater Montréal also has one of the best startup ecosystems in the world (*Startup Genome, 2020*).



A gateway to 60% of the world's GDP

Businesses in the area can easily access markets in some **fifty countries** and reach nearly 1.5 billion consumers thanks to many free trade agreements.



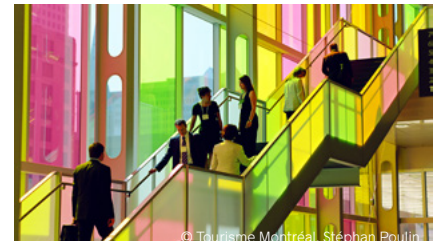
Most competitive operating costs

Operating a business in Greater Montréal will **cost you 26% less on average** than any other major metro area in Canada and the U.S. (*fDi Benchmark, 2019*).



An exceptional quality of life

Montréal is cosmopolitan, safe, affordable, artistic, and known for its food scene. It is the safest metro area in Canada and the U.S. (lowest homicide rate). Montréal earns **top spot in the Americas for its quality of life** (*Knight Frank, 2020*) and provides a much more affordable cost of living for residents (*Mercer, 2020*).



A United Nations City

With over **65 international organizations**, including five UN headquarters, Montréal ranks 3rd in North America for the number of international organizations



Strategic support



Economic data



Network of partners



Incentive programs



Immigration assistance



International recruitment

Montréal International offers personalized, free and confidential services. Backed by a solid network, the agency can count on a team of over 80 specialists.