



OTTAWA: Your Next Move!

In the heart of Canada lies a powerhouse of innovation
— Ottawa.

We have North America's highest concentration of tech talent. Our innovation playground is vast and diverse. Our strengths span software, AI, smart mobility, cybersecurity, digital health and more. Global giants like Nokia and Ericsson share our streets with homegrown heroes Kinaxis, Shopify, Ross Video, Fullscript and Mitel, and startups and scaleups like Assent, Solink and MindBridge.

As the most educated Canadian city, with the nation's largest tech park, 65 research labs, 130 embassies, and our unrivalled quality of life, we aren't simply Canada's Capital, we are a global tech capital. And our true magic lies in our diverse, collaborative community.

Join us in Ottawa. We're not just imagining our future
— we're building it.

Innovative Technology Meets Life-changing Research

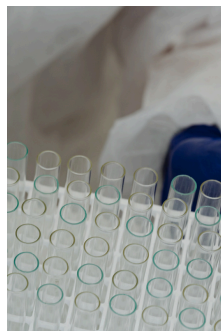
Ottawa's life sciences sector has emerged into the global market as a centre of discovery, development and commercialization. Our world-class academic research, renowned patient-centred hospitals and access to innovative government labs attract life sciences leaders from around the globe.

With more than 130 companies employing 6,000 highly skilled people, Ottawa's life science landscape is founded on strong R&D capabilities with expertise in Health IT, mHealth, eHealth and medical devices. This includes world-leading and innovative companies such as Siemens Healthineers, Abbott Point of Care, Thermo Fisher Scientific and Turnstone Biologics, just to name a few.

With a strong combination of academic research, centres of excellence, government departments, world-leading hospitals including The Ottawa Hospital, and industry, the nation's capital provides a lucrative environment for leading-edge products, technologies and innovations.

Ottawa research hospitals provide a strong base for life sciences and associated R&D, with five of the top 40 Canadian hospital research institutions based in the region.





1st

in Canada and 7th in the world for best work-life balance (KISI, 2022)

65%

of Ottawa's population is enrolled in, or has completed, post-secondary education, making it one of the most educated cities in Canada (Statistics Canada, 2021)

20M

consumers within a 400 km radius

2nd

most affordable among major North American cities (Mercer, 2024)

12%

concentration of tech talent — the highest among the top 50 North American cities (CBRE, 2025)

1,800+

knowledge-based businesses in the National Capital Region

95,000+

highly skilled tech professionals in the National Capital Region's public and private sectors

Abbott Point of Care and Siemens Healthineers account for the majority of POC clinical blood diagnostic systems globally.

The Ottawa Hospital is one of Canada's largest learning and research hospitals with over 1,100 beds, approximately 12,000 staff and an annual budget of over \$1.2 billion.

Consistently ranked among the top 10 medical schools in Canada, the University of Ottawa's Faculty of Medicine attracts over 50 percent of the university's total research funding and is among the top faculties of medicine in the world for research impact in biomedical and health sciences.

Ottawa is home to three Networks of Centres of Excellence of Canada: ArcticNet, Biotherapeutics for Cancer Treatment-BioCanRx, and the Centre of Excellence in Next Generation Networks – CENGN.

The city is also a global hub in the research and development of viral vectors and oncolytic viruses.



As a high-tech hub, Ottawa is supported by colleges and universities that attract and develop a pipeline of really world-class talent. Access to great talent is a critical reason why we chose to locate in Ottawa.

– **TED O'NEILL**
Site Director, Abbott

Sector Ecosystem

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National Networks



Research Institutes



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