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City of Brampton recognized among Canada's 20 most competitive locations for investment

Site Selection recognizes Brampton for corporate investment, job creation and continued economic growth

BRAMPTON, ON (September 1, 2026) – The City of Brampton has been recognized by [Site Selection](#) as one of Canada's 20 most competitive metro regions and municipalities for corporate investment in its annual Canada's Best Locations report for a fifth time.

Site Selection evaluates locations using corporate end-user facility investment activity, including capital investment and job creation, with calculations considering both cumulative and per-capita activity. The recognition reflects Brampton's ability to attract significant corporate investment and job creation, demonstrating the city's competitiveness as a destination for companies looking to establish, expand and invest in Canada.

Located at the centre of Canada's Innovation Corridor, Brampton is home to a diverse and highly skilled workforce, strong transportation and logistics connections and a growing ecosystem of businesses across advanced manufacturing, food and beverage processing, health and life sciences, innovation and technology and emerging sectors such as space, defence and cybersecurity.

Recent investments driving Brampton's growth

Brampton has continued to attract significant private-sector investment and create new employment opportunities, including:

- **Mobile Climate Control (MCC)** – Panattoni broke ground on a new advanced manufacturing and research and development facility, representing a \$120 million investment and creating more than 700 jobs.
- **Coca-Cola Canada Bottling** – announced a \$141 million investment to expand its flagship Brampton facility, including a 62,000 sq. ft. addition and new production line adding at least 20 million cases in annual capacity and supporting up to 500 construction jobs.
- **lululemon** – opened its one-million sq. ft. Brampton Distribution Centre, one of the largest distribution facilities in North America and home to Canada's largest AutoStore installation, featuring advanced robotics and automation.
- **Marcangelo Foods (Concord Premium Meats Ltd.)** – announced a \$70 million investment in a new food manufacturing facility, creating 300 jobs.
- **Encore Canada** – opened its 153,000 sq. ft. Canadian headquarters in Brampton, home to more than 225 professionals.
- **Socomec Canada** – opened its largest Canadian manufacturing facility in Brampton, a 148,000 sq. ft. advanced manufacturing facility creating 170 jobs. The new facility marks

Socomec's third location in Brampton, with more than 500 local jobs across its Brampton operations.

- **Sun Pharma** – expanded its Brampton operations with more than \$56 million in investment, including a new 50,000 sq. ft. environmentally controlled warehouse, specialized pharmaceutical production suite and advanced tube-filling line, creating more than 35 new jobs.
- **Maple Lodge Farms** – opened a new 24,000 sq. ft. Chicken Shop facility, building on the company's longstanding presence in Brampton.
- **Toronto Metropolitan University** – opened its School of Medicine in Brampton in September 2025, strengthening the city's health innovation sector and creating new opportunities for health education, research and innovation.

Supporting innovation and business growth

The [Brampton Innovation District](#) continues to support entrepreneurs and high-potential startups through programming, mentorship, investment opportunities and connections to Brampton's broader business ecosystem.

In 2025, Innovation District partners:

- Graduated 271 startups
- Supported companies and alumni that filed 25 patents
- Hosted 372 events in Brampton with more than 14,000 participants
- Supported participating companies and alumni in raising more than \$23.5 million in investments
- Distributed more than \$3.7 million in grants and investments through the Brampton Innovation District and Brampton Angels to support early-stage technology startups

In addition, Brampton's Economic Development Office also recently earned its [second consecutive accreditation](#) from the International Economic Development Council as an Accredited Economic Development Organization (AEDO). Brampton is one of only three AEDOs in Ontario and one of 98 organizations worldwide to hold the designation.

Grow your business in Brampton

Businesses, investors and industry partners looking to invest, expand or grow in Brampton are encouraged to connect with [Invest Brampton](#) to explore opportunities and access business supports, resources and connections. Connect with the [Invest Brampton team](#) online to speak with the appropriate Sector Manager or contact the Investment Services team at invest@brampton.ca or 905.874.2650. To learn more about investing, expanding or growing a business in Brampton, visit investbrampton.ca.

Quotes

“Being recognized among Canada’s 20 most competitive locations for investment is another strong signal that Brampton is a city where businesses can invest, grow and create jobs. From advanced manufacturing and food processing to health innovation, technology and emerging industries, companies are choosing Brampton because of our talented workforce, strategic location and strong economic foundation. We will continue building on this momentum and creating opportunities for our residents and business community.”

- *Patrick Brown, Mayor, City of Brampton*

“Brampton continues to attract significant investment from companies that see the value of locating and expanding here. This recognition reflects the strength and diversity of our economy and the work underway to support businesses at every stage of their growth. We are focused on keeping Brampton competitive, attracting new investment and creating high-quality jobs for our community.”

- *Gurpartap Singh Toor, Regional Councillor, Wards 9 and 10; Chair, Economic Development Committee, City of Brampton*

“Being recognized as one of Canada’s most competitive locations for investment reflects the strength of Brampton’s economy and the confidence businesses continue to place in our city. By attracting new investment and supporting companies as they grow, we are creating jobs and opportunities for residents while strengthening Brampton’s position as a destination for businesses looking to invest, innovate and succeed.”

- *Rowena Santos, Regional Councillor, Wards 1 and 5; Vice-Chair, Economic Development Committee, City of Brampton*

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As one of the fastest-growing big cities in Canada, Brampton is home to 800,000 people and more than 124,000 businesses. People are at the heart of everything we do. We are energized by our diverse communities, we attract investment and we are embarking on a journey to lead technological and environmental innovation. We partner for progress to build a healthy city that is safe, sustainable and successful. Connect with us on [X](#), [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [Instagram](#). Learn more at [brampton.ca](#).

About the City of Brampton’s Economic Development Office

The City of Brampton’s Economic Development Office connects entrepreneurs, investors and global business leaders with the tools, insights and opportunities they need to grow. Learn about our programs, events and resources at [investbrampton.ca](#). Connect with Invest Brampton on [LinkedIn](#), [Instagram](#), [X](#) and [Facebook](#).

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