



SAN FRANCISCO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (SFO)

Less than 15 miles from downtown, SFO serves close to 50 million domestic and international passengers annually with non-stop links to more than 39 international cities on 33 different carriers. It is the largest North American international terminal by square footage and hosts over 613 international flights per week.

PORT OF OAKLAND

With almost 30 percent of all exports from the United States flowing through California's major ports, the Port of Oakland remains a key West Coast trade gateway for containerized cargo. Handling 99 percent of the containers passing through Northern California, the Port offers state-of-the-art shipping terminals for businesses looking to trade internationally.

GLOBAL FOCUS


San Francisco has long fostered strong relationships with Europe, Canada, Asia-Pacific and Latin America, and is home to international businesses from all over the globe. We also have a history of welcoming immigrant entrepreneurs to our city. We have become the world's go-to destination to understand how to build an innovation ecosystem, and are fostering businesses not just in IT, digital media, cleantech and life sciences, but also in financial services and advanced manufacturing. Industries get disrupted here, and the opportunity to work for some of the most innovative companies on the planet draws in talent from around the world. Our renowned research centers and universities, including UCSF, Stanford and UC Berkeley provide both the intellectual backbone and the links to research commercialization that fuel the San Francisco economy. With a global workforce, abundance of international companies and reputation as the center for innovation and entrepreneurship, San Francisco is well-positioned to attract start-ups and established companies from around the world who are eager to become a part of its dynamic technology ecosystem.

INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

- San Francisco is home to more than 75 consulates and 20 foreign trade offices
- Many international trade and investment organizations have a strong presence in San Francisco including representatives from Britain, China, Germany, France, Japan, Mexico, Brazil, Canada, Russia, Spain and Switzerland
- Over one-third of San Francisco Residents were born outside of the U.S. and more than 100 languages are spoken within the city
- International Chambers of Commerce represented in the City include British American Business Council, Hong Kong Association, German American Chamber, Russian Chamber and the French American Chamber

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Why San Francisco?

TALENT



San Francisco enjoys one of the most educated and productive workforces in the world. More than 52% of the population holds a Bachelor's degree or higher and 46% of local residents speak more than one language.



INNOVATION

Access to over a hundred local incubator, accelerator and co-working spaces gives your business the resources it needs to succeed. San Francisco is consistently ranked as one of the most innovative cities in the world and is the #2 best performing city for creating and sustaining jobs (Milken Institute 2015).

INVESTMENT



The Bay Area is home to the world's largest concentration of VC firms, with a significant number having a presence in San Francisco. In Q2 of 2016, \$5.5 billion was invested into San Francisco based companies, making it the #1 U.S. city for venture capital investment.



LIFESTYLE

San Francisco is considered one of the top cities in the world for work and leisure. From the iconic Golden Gate Bridge to renowned exhibits at SFMOMA, San Francisco takes pride in its vibrant culture, unique neighborhoods and exceptional quality of life.

FAST FACTS

Land Area: 47 square miles (121 square km)

Population: 864,816

Median Age: 38

Total housing units: 380,512

Median household income: \$78,378

Colleges and universities: 25

Annual VC investments: \$6.5 billion

Average temperature: 58°F (14°C)

Annual visitors: 24.6 million

