



Silicon Valley Institute

Empowering Entrepreneurship and Innovation

CUSTOM PROGRAMS & CUSTOM SERVICES FOR YOUR ORGANIZATION

By Leveraging Unique Geographical Advantage



Why Is the San Francisco Bay Area the Global Epicenter for Entrepreneurship and Innovation?

People from all around the world wonder how the San Francisco Bay Area continues to be the leader in entrepreneurship and innovation. What makes this region of the world such a unique and powerful ecosystem for technology innovation and new venture creation? This regional leadership results in incredible wealth creation and attracts people from all over the world who wish to participate in it.

Come and visit this high energy region and experience its global entrepreneurial and innovative mindsets today! Please see below for our quick facts¹:

- [19th largest economy in the world](#) with a GDP of \$535 billion.
- [The highest GDP per capita in the U.S.](#) - \$74,815
- A leader in 10 key indicators of regional, global and national competitiveness:
 1. The nation's largest concentration of research institutions
 2. The top global innovation center
 3. The largest number of top-ten ranked graduate programs (Business, Law, Medicine, Engineering)
 4. The highest density of venture capital firms in the world
 5. More Fortune 500 companies than any U.S. region – The sixth highest concentration of Fortune Global 500 companies in the world
 6. The highest Internet penetration of any U.S. region
 7. The highest level of patent generation in the nation
 8. One of the two most highly educated workforces in the nation
 9. A leading position in global trade
 10. The highest economic productivity in the nation – almost twice the U.S. average

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¹ Source: Bay Area Council