

# Why Orlando?

- #1 in the U.S. for job growth in 2016 & 2015 (U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics)
- 2nd fastest growing city of 2017 (*Forbes*, February 2017)
- Top 10 “American City of the Future” (*fDi Magazine*, 2017)
- Best city for recreation two years in a row (WalletHub, 2017 & 2016)
- Best foodie city and most pet-friendly city (WalletHub, 2016)
- 2nd most competitive business location among large U.S. cities (KPMG, 2016)
- 67 Orlando companies among *Inc. 5000* 2017 – measures the fastest growing private companies in America

## Strong Talent Pipeline

- More than 500,000 students within a 100-mile radius
- Home to 35 post-secondary institutions including:
  - University of Central Florida | 2nd largest university in the U.S. | Ranked by IEEE among the top universities in the world for the number of patents awarded
  - Full Sail University | Recipient of Apple’s “Innovators in Education” Award
  - Rollins College | #11 among top 50 list of America’s most entrepreneurial colleges (*Forbes*, 2015)
  - Seminole State College of Florida | #1 college system in Florida – RN Graduate Licensures;
  - Valencia College | #1 community college in the nation (Aspen Institute)
  - Lake-Sumter State College voted national learning center of the year (National College Learning Center Association)

## Top-Ranked Infrastructure

- Top 10 large city in the U.S. for infrastructure (*fDi Magazine*, 2016)
- Orlando International Airport: 4th overall in passenger satisfaction among large U.S. airports (*J.D. Power*, 2015)
- Orlando Sanford International Airport: fastest growing U.S. airport for airports between 2 million and 5 million passengers (anna.aero, 2016)
- Port Canaveral: World’s only quadramodal port; 2nd busiest cruise port in the world (*Cruise Industry News*, 2015)
- SunRail and Interstate 4 Improvements – largest public works project in Florida’s history

## Corporate Headquarters & Regional Offices

- Headquarters of numerous international corporations and associations including American Automobile Association (AAA), Tupperware Brands Corporation, Darden Restaurants, Inc. and the International Association of Amusement Parks and Attractions (IAAPA)
- Companies with global, divisional and regional headquarters specializing in back office support, contact centers and shared services

## Advanced Manufacturing

- 670 companies with 21,000 employees and \$2.0B annual payroll
- Home to the 7th largest research park in the U.S. by number of employees (Central Florida Research Park)

## Life Sciences & Healthcare

- 4,900 companies with 98,000 employees and \$7.1B annual payroll
- 43.5% growth in the past 10 years (EMSI, 2016)

## Aviation, Aerospace & Defense

- 220 companies with 18,000 employees and \$1.9B annual payroll
- #1 modeling and simulation capital of the world (National Center for Simulation)

## Advancing Technologies

- 2,800 companies with 33,400 employees and \$3.0B annual payroll
- Home to the world’s leading software developer – EA-Tiburon and other powerhouse companies including Oracle and Golf Channel