

Positive Business Climate

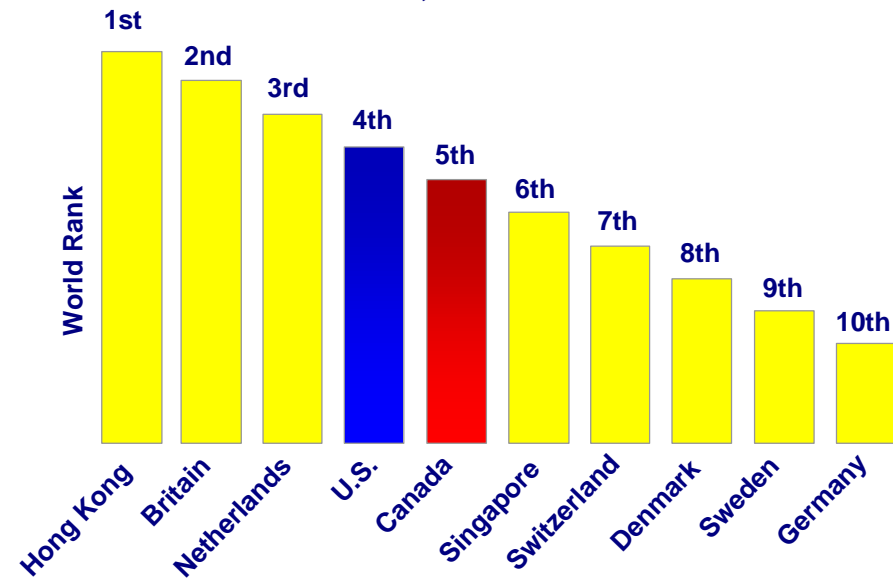
- The Economist Intelligence Unit ranks Canada highly in terms of its overall business climate.

“Canada is a very business friendly country, and Ottawa is an excellent environment for knowledge based industry. The physical environment is outstanding, education leads are high, the work ethic is strong and costs are very competitive. It’s just a great place to expand our business .”

Roderick Bryden, President & CEO of World Heart Corporation



Business Environment of Top Ten Countries, Rank in 2000-2004



Note: The business environment is based on several indicators including market potential, tax and labour market policies, and the political background.
Source: The Economist (EIU), May 20th, 2000