

## Bargain Real Estate in Costa Rica - One of Many Reasons Businesses Thrive

Companies want a safe place to conduct business that's also cost effective. They want a nation that is stable, economically and politically. They also want to be somewhere that foreigners and foreign companies are wanted. In efforts to find this, companies often review the benefits and drawbacks that many countries offer to businesses. Costa Rica is one of the few that fits the bill on all accounts and has some enticing additional perks too.

Companies like Conair, DCS Communications (ALCATEL), Intel, Hitachi, Microsoft, AstraZeneca, GlaxoSmithKline, ACER AMERICA, Panasonic, LUCENT Technologies, Siemens, and BAXTER Healthcare all have offices in Costa Rica. More are expected to follow in the near future. Here's a close look at the top three reasons why:

### REASON 1: Costa Rica's Stability.

Costa Rica is an economically stable nation supported by solid agricultural, textile, electronics, and tourism industries. Costa Ricans as a whole are an educated bunch; the nation's literacy rate is 95%, which makes citizens highly employable and keeps money cycling through the economy. In addition to being economically stable, Costa Rica is also politically stable. The country does not have a sustained military and politically, Costa Rica has claimed itself neutral, both of which mean that the companies' business operations will not likely be effected by war or political uprisings.

### REASON 2: Costa Rica's Location.

The nation, the richest in Central America and one of the richest in all of Latin America, is a prime location from which a number of business owners in different industries can work. The country is easily accessible by land, sea and air.

### REASON 3: Costa Rica's Corporation-friendly Laws.

Corporations investing in Costa Rica by bringing jobs to the country are rewarded in many ways. Investors purchasing Costa Rica real estate benefit from low property taxes (approximately .25% of the property's value) and companies also receive breaks when it comes to tariffs. Customs tariffs are only 11%, tariffs on capital goods are just 1% and a number of other common tariffs business have to pay when doing business in other countries do not even exist in Costa Rica. Companies investing in Costa Rica land also receive tax exemptions.

Costa Rica has amazing incentives for businesses and companies worldwide are taking notice. The result has been a surge in the Costa Rican economy, which is great for the businesses that have already invested in Costa Rica as well as the Costa Rican people. It's expected that the economy will continue to thrive as Costa Rica has already made a name for itself as a bona fide hot zone for businesses.

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