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N.C. ranked first for business climate

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North Carolina's business climate ranks first in the nation, according to an annual listing by *Site Selection* magazine.

The Tar Heel State garnered the top honor for the fifth consecutive year.

"The concentration of brainpower and research and development activity in North Carolina cuts across many disciplines, territories and institutions," says Adam Bruns, managing editor of *Site Selection*. "Research parks, schools, companies and communities in the state have developed a real knack for working across boundaries, and it continues to pay off."

The business-climate ranking is based on the number of new and expanded business facilities in each state as well a poll of corporate site selectors nationwide.

North Carolina was followed in order by Texas, Virginia, Ohio, Tennessee, South Carolina and Alabama.

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