

North American Tech in 2026: AI Dominance, Record VC Funding, and Semiconductors

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1. What was the primary driver of the record-breaking venture capital funding in North America during the first quarter of 2026?

- A) Increased government grants for infrastructure projects
- B) A surge in artificial intelligence (AI) related investments**
- C) A rebound in the real estate technology sector
- D) Expansion into new international markets

2. According to projections for 2026, what percentage of US technology spending growth is the media and information sector expected to capture, driven by hyperscaler capital expenditures?

- A) 15%
- B) 43%**
- C) 22%
- D) 31%

3. In 2026, which segment of the North American artificial intelligence market was projected to be the largest revenue generator and exhibit the fastest growth?

- A) Hardware
- B) Software
- C) Services**
- D) Data Analytics Platforms

4. Which of the following trends is expected to significantly shape the semiconductor industry in North America by 2026, impacting performance and power consumption?

- A) Increased reliance on solely general-purpose CPUs
- B) 3D chip stacking**
- C) A complete shift away from AI-specific chips
- D) Reduction in advanced packaging techniques

5. In 2026, what was a key strategic initiative announced by the Canadian government to bolster domestic capabilities and drive productivity, impacting the technology sector?

- A) Abolishing all technology research funding
- B) Establishing the Defence Investment Agency (DIA) as a stand-alone entity**
- C) Reducing investment in cybersecurity infrastructure
- D) Prioritizing traditional manufacturing over tech development

6. What percentage of US technology spending growth is Forrester predicting for computer equipment in 2026, largely driven by AI-optimized servers?

- A) 10%
- B) 25%**
- C) 5%
- D) 18%

7. For 2026, what is the projected total revenue for the global semiconductor industry, largely fueled by the AI infrastructure boom?

- A) \$500 billion
- B) \$975 billion**
- C) \$1.5 trillion
- D) \$750 billion

8. In North America, what percentage of Q1 2026 venture capital investment was directed towards companies in AI-related categories?

- A) Approximately 50%
- B) More than 87%**
- C) Around 75%
- D) Less than 60%

9. What is a significant trend predicted for the cybersecurity industry in North America for 2026, moving away from individual threats towards a broader approach?

- A) A complete reliance on traditional firewalls
- B) Designing for resilience in the face of disruption**
- C) Reducing investment in AI-driven security measures
- D) Focusing solely on perimeter security

10. According to projections, what is the expected compound annual growth rate (CAGR) for the North America artificial intelligence market from 2026 to 2033?

- A) 15.5%
- B) 27.5%**
- C) 35.2%
- D) 20.1%