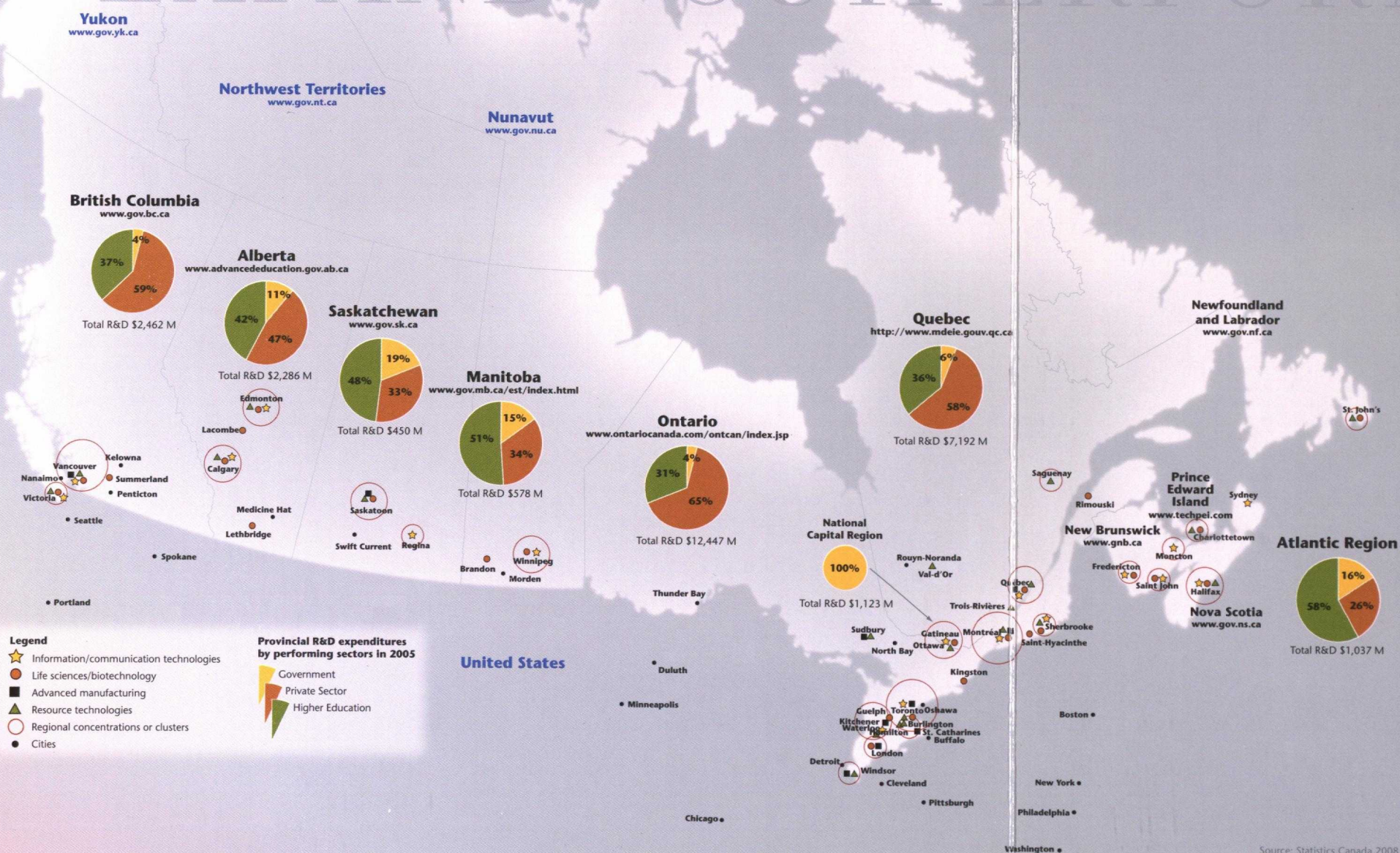


CRITICAL MASS MULTIPLIES THE POWER OF CANADIAN INNOVATION

Many of the companies in sectors collect around geographical clusters with high levels of R&D and high-tech business activity. Anchored by major universities and government labs, these clusters offer access to core research capabilities and highly skilled pools of scientific and technical labour. Their critical mass attracts venture capital and international R&D partnerships, and fuels competition-spurring innovation and development of best industry practices.

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Source: Statistics Canada 2008