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Global Finance Names the World's 50 Safest Commercial Banks 2021

NEW YORK, September 13, 2021 — *Global Finance* has named the World's 50 Safest Commercial Banks for 2021 in an exclusive survey to be published in the November print and digital editions, and online at GFMag.com. For commercial banks to qualify for this ranking, they must not be majority owned by government or regional authorities.

North American banks performed very well again this year. Canadian banks took six of the top twenty positions and seven overall. The United States landed eight banks on the list, more than any other country. And Singapore had a strong showing, moving up to take over the top two spots.

In addition to the World's 50 Safest Commercial Banks, the full report also includes the following: World's 50 Safest Banks, Safest Banks by Country, 50 Safest Banks in Emerging Markets, Safest Islamic Financial Institutions in the GCC, and Safest Banks by Region (Africa, Asia, Australasia, Central & Eastern Europe, Latin America, the Middle East, North America and Western Europe).

Global Finance's annual rankings of the World's Safest Banks has been the recognized and trusted standard of financial counterparty safety for more than a quarter-century. Winners were selected through an evaluation of long-term foreign currency ratings—from Moody's, Standard & Poor's and Fitch—of the 500 largest banks worldwide.

"The past year demonstrates the resilience of the banking sector, which stood as a bulwark against collapse during the coronavirus pandemic, supplying critical emergency funding as well as, in many cases, emergency equipment and supplies," said Joseph Giarraputo, publisher and editorial director of *Global Finance*. "The safest banks are paragons of stability, and continue to provide necessary support for governments and communities as they seek to recover from pandemic's economic shocks."

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| RANK | BANK NAME | COUNTRY/TERRITORY |
|------|---|----------------------|
| 1 | DBS Bank | Singapore |
| 2 | Oversea-Chinese Banking Corporation | Singapore |
| 3 | Svenska Handelsbanken | Sweden |
| 4 | United Overseas Bank | Singapore |
| 5 | TD Bank | Canada |
| 6 | Royal Bank of Canada | Canada |
| 7 | DZ BANK | Germany |
| 8 | Deutsche Apotheker- und Aertztebank | Germany |
| 9 | DNB Bank | Norway |
| 10 | Banque Pictet & Cie | Switzerland |
| 11 | Bank of Nova Scotia | Canada |
| 12 | Bank of Montreal | Canada |
| 13 | Nordea Bank | Finland |
| 14 | Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce | Canada |
| 15 | SEB | Sweden |
| 16 | First Abu Dhabi Bank | United Arab Emirates |
| 17 | Hang Seng Bank | Hong Kong |
| 18 | Federation des Caisses Desjardins du Quebec | Canada |
| 19 | AgriBank | United States |
| 20 | UBS | Switzerland |
| 21 | Commonwealth Bank of Australia | Australia |
| 22 | ANZ Group | Australia |
| 23 | Rabobank | Netherlands |
| 24 | Westpac | Australia |
| 25 | National Australia Bank | Australia |



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|------|------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 26 | CoBank | United States |
| 27 | OP Corporate Bank | Finland |
| 28 | AgFirst | United States |
| 29 | Farm Credit Bank of Texas | United States |
| 30 | BNP Paribas | France |
| 31 | Credit Agricole | France |
| 32 | Swedbank | Sweden |
| 33 | HSBC Continental Europe | France |
| 34 | LGT Bank | Liechtenstein |
| 35 | Kiwibank | New Zealand |
| 36 | Banque Federative du Credit Mutuel | France |
| 37 | U.S. Bancorp | United States |
| 38 | Bank of New York Mellon | United States |
| 39 | Kookmin Bank | South Korea |
| 40 | Shinhan Bank | South Korea |
| 41 | State Street | United States |
| 42 | Qatar National Bank | Qatar |
| 43 | National Bank of Canada | Canada |
| 44 | Northern Trust | United States |
| 45 | National Bank of Kuwait | Kuwait |
| 46 | Suncorp-Metway | Australia |
| 47 | BPCE | France |
| 48 | BNP Paribas Fortis | Belgium |
| 49 | Hana Bank | South Korea |
| 50 | Woori Bank | South Korea |