

# Top 100 Places to Live (2006)

Rank	City	Population
1	Fort Collins, CO	128,000
2	Naperville, IL	141,600
3	Sugar Land, TX	75,800
4	Columbia/Ellicott City, MD	159,200
5	Cary, NC	106,400
6	Overland Park, KS	164,800
7	Scottsdale, AZ	226,000
8	Boise, ID	193,200
9	Fairfield, CT	57,800
10	Eden Prairie, MN	60,600
11	Plano, TX	250,100
12	Eagan, MN	63,700
13	Olathe, KS	112,100
14	West Bloomfield , MI	65,000
15	Richardson, TX	99,200
16	Gilbert, AZ	178,100
17	Parsippany-Troy Hills, NJ	51,600
18	Santa Clarita, CA	172,500
19	Carrollton, TX	124,700
20	Henderson, NV	232,100
21	Bellevue, WA	117,100
22	Newton, MA	83,200
23	Sandy, UT	89,700
24	Westminster, CO	105,100
25	Ann Arbor, MI	113,300
26	<a href="#">Rockville, MD</a>	57,400
27	<a href="#">Coral Springs, FL</a>	128,800
28	<a href="#">Edison, NJ</a>	100,500
29	<a href="#">Farmington Hills, MI</a>	80,200
30	<a href="#">Boca Raton, FL</a>	86,600
31	<a href="#">Livermore, CA</a>	78,400
32	<a href="#">Wayne, NJ</a>	55,200
33	<a href="#">Fishers, IN</a>	57,200
34	<a href="#">Folsom, CA</a>	65,600
35	<a href="#">Simi Valley, CA</a>	118,700
36	<a href="#">Waukesha, WI</a>	67,700
37	<a href="#">Sterling Heights, MI</a>	128,000
38	<a href="#">Orem, UT</a>	89,700
39	<a href="#">O'Fallon, MO</a>	69,700
40	<a href="#">Norman, OK</a>	101,700
41	<a href="#">Layton, UT</a>	61,800
42	<a href="#">Rancho Cucamonga, CA</a>	149,200
43	<a href="#">Reston, VA</a>	60,000
44	<a href="#">Lee's Summit, MO</a>	80,300
45	<a href="#">Orland Park, IL</a>	55,500
46	<a href="#">Stamford, CT</a>	121,100
47	<a href="#">Cherry Hill, NJ</a>	71,800

48	<a href="#">Round Rock, TX</a>	86,300
49	<a href="#">Ramapo, NY</a>	112,500
50	<a href="#">Middletown, NJ</a>	67,800
51	<a href="#">Pembroke Pines, FL</a>	151,700
52	<a href="#">Edmond, OK</a>	74,900
53	<a href="#">Madison, WI</a>	221,600
54	<a href="#">Blaine, MN</a>	54,100
55	<a href="#">Aurora, IL</a>	168,200
56	<a href="#">Rio Rancho, NM</a>	66,600
57	<a href="#">Appleton, WI</a>	70,200
58	<a href="#">Denton, TX</a>	104,200
59	<a href="#">Chesapeake, VA</a>	219,000
60	<a href="#">Lincoln, NE</a>	239,200
61	<a href="#">Longmont, CO</a>	81,800
62	<a href="#">North Richland Hills, TX</a>	61,100
63	<a href="#">Hillsboro, OR</a>	84,500
64	<a href="#">Cedar Rapids, IA</a>	123,100
65	<a href="#">League City, TX</a>	61,500
66	<a href="#">Broken Arrow, OK</a>	86,200
67	<a href="#">Rochester, MN</a>	95,000
68	<a href="#">Mentor, OH</a>	51,500
69	<a href="#">Fargo, ND</a>	90,700
70	<a href="#">Mount Pleasant, SC</a>	57,900
71	<a href="#">West Des Moines, IA</a>	52,800
72	<a href="#">Santa Fe, NM</a>	64,200
73	<a href="#">The Woodlands, TX</a>	67,600
74	<a href="#">Iowa City, IA</a>	62,900
75	<a href="#">Hoover, AL</a>	67,500
76	<a href="#">Columbia, MO</a>	91,800
77	<a href="#">Bismarck, ND</a>	57,400
78	<a href="#">Cranston, RI</a>	81,600
79	<a href="#">Beaverton, OR</a>	85,800
80	<a href="#">Bloomington, IL</a>	69,700
81	<a href="#">Miramar, FL</a>	106,600
82	<a href="#">Warren, MI</a>	138,000
83	<a href="#">Warwick, RI</a>	87,200
84	<a href="#">Murfreesboro, TN</a>	86,800
85	<a href="#">Oshkosh, WI</a>	63,500
86	<a href="#">Bend, OR</a>	67,200
87	<a href="#">Nashua, NH</a>	87,300
88	<a href="#">Bethlehem, PA</a>	73,100
89	<a href="#">Portland, ME</a>	63,900
90	<a href="#">Fayetteville, AR</a>	66,700

# 10 Best big cities

Rank	City	Population
1	<a href="#">Colorado Springs, CO</a>	369,800
2	<a href="#">Austin, TX</a>	690,300
3	<a href="#">Mesa, AZ</a>	442,800
4	<a href="#">Raleigh, NC</a>	341,500
5	<a href="#">San Diego, CA</a>	1,255,500
6	<a href="#">Virginia Beach, VA</a>	438,400
7	<a href="#">Omaha, NE</a>	414,500
8	<a href="#">Columbus, OH</a>	730,700
9	<a href="#">Wichita, KS</a>	354,900
10	<a href="#">New York, NY</a>	8,143,200

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