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100 BEST PLACES TO LIVE AND LAUNCH 2008



Top 100 Cities States FAQ

Top 100

Rank	City	Population
1	Bellevue, WA	111,608
2	Georgetown, TX	37,963
3	Buford, GA	13,576
4	Marina del Rey, CA	8,891
5	Bethesda, MD	59,475
6	Portland, OR	535,421
7	Denver, CO	555,932
8	Charlotte, NC	596,123
9	Fort Worth, TX	595,062
10	Franklin, MA	29,642
11	American Canyon, CA	12,484
12	Durham, NC	204,135
13	Manchester, NH	113,417
14	Virginia Beach, VA	445,875
15	Salt Lake City, UT	184,550
16	Novato, CA	48,410
17	Santa Fe, NM	65,433
18	Charlottesville, VA	40,877
19	Boise, ID	203,649
20	Raleigh, NC	316,978
21	Iowa City, IA	64,933
22	Omaha, NE	399,820
23	Minneapolis, MN	374,956
24	Fargo, ND	96,029
25	Scottsdale, AZ	232,929
26	Louisville, CO	19,402
27	Bellingham, WA	73,357
28	Colorado Springs, CO	396,436
29	Naperville, IL	149,600
30	Lyndhurst, NJ	19,699
31	Leesburg, VA	46,645
32	Carlsbad, CA	90,536
33	Hamden, CT	59,329
34	San Antonio, TX	1,251,086

Best places to live and launch



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35	Cambridge, MA	102,158
36	Stafford, TX	25,607
37	Radnor Township, PA	31,675
38	Worcester, MA	179,719
39	Fort Collins, CO	127,443
40	Olympia, WA	46,605
41	Asheville, NC	69,447
42	Ann Arbor, MI	119,016
43	Blacksburg, VA	40,161
44	Oro Valley, AZ	35,750
45	Sioux Falls, SD	137,222
46	Madison, WI	222,428
47	Gainesville, FL	95,392
48	Corvallis, OR	49,124
49	Owings Mills, MD	22,291
50	Greensboro, NC	231,720
51	Doral, FL	32,557
52	Plainsboro, NJ	21,608
53	Rochester, MN	94,583
54	Reno, NV	210,055
55	Dover, DE	36,646
56	Winston-Salem, NC	195,821
57	Zionsville, IN	10,893
58	Bethlehem, PA	75,448
59	Syracuse, NY	144,755
60	Pittsburgh, PA	320,335
61	Northport, NY	7,700
62	Blue Ash, OH	11,948
63	Lincoln, RI	22,314
64	Fairfield, CT	58,490
65	State College, PA	39,185
66	San Jose, CA	895,535
67	Honolulu, HI	383,424
68	Ventura, CA	108,143
69	Danville, CA	45,093
70	Fort Lauderdale, FL	167,255
71	Missoula, MT	58,781
72	Brookfield, WI	39,955
73	Orlando, FL	204,524
74	Columbus, IN	40,065
75	St. Cloud, MN	64,267
76	Folsom, CA	68,912
77	Spokane, WA	202,618
78	San Luis Obispo, CA	45,015
79	Nashville, TN	547,983

80	Rochester, NY	215,119
81	Charleston, SC	103,756
82	Fayetteville, AR	66,914
83	Rio Rancho, NM	60,655
84	Cheyenne, WY	55,870
85	Lemay, MO	16,524
86	Huntsville, AL	167,345
87	Bend, OR	64,917
88	Brunswick, ME	15,204
89	Billings, MT	94,088
90	Sarasota, FL	55,241
91	Ames, IA	51,681
92	Prescott, AZ	40,471
93	Edmond, OK	74,400
94	West Des Moines, IA	52,538
95	Coeur d'Alene, ID	39,617
96	Eugene, OR	141,165
97	Kansas City, MO	454,337
98	Henderson, NV	241,011
99	Savannah, GA	129,333
100	Colchester, VT	17,612

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