

Table 14.21-- COST OF LIVING GLOBAL RANK FOR SELECTED MAJOR CITIES IN THE UNITED STATES: 2006 TO 2016

[The survey, conducted in March, covers 214 cities worldwide and measures the comparative cost of over 200 items in each location, including housing, food, clothing, utilities, transportation, and entertainment costs. The higher the index, the lower the rank where a rank of 1 indicates the most expensive city. New York City = 100.0]

City and state	Global rank									
	2006	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013 1/	2014 2/	2015	2016
Atlanta, GA	86	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	147	103	78
Boston, MA	84	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	123	109	64	47
Chicago, IL	38	84	50	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	85	42	34
Cleveland, OH	110	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	167	133	110
Dallas, TX	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	125	77	62
Denver, CO	97	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Detroit, MI	122	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	160	122	103
Honolulu, HI	67	77	41	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	117	97	52	37
Houston, TX	76	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	143	92	75
Los Angeles, CA	29	55	23	55	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	62	36	27
Miami, FL	39	75	45	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	114	98	56	45
Minneapolis, MN	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	156	115	91
Morristown, NJ	84	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	132	88	71
New York City, NY	10	22	8	27	32	33	24	16	16	11
Pittsburgh, PA	113	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	162	130	112
Portland, OR	111	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	166	135	117
San Francisco, CA	34	78	34	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	92	74	37	26
Seattle, WA	102	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	153	106	83
St. Louis, MO	103	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	161	130	108
Washington, DC	83	(NA)	(NA)	111	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	92	50	38
White Plains, NY	34	89	31	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	81	71	61
Winston Salem, NC	124	(NA)	(NA)	197	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	182	157	147

NA Not available.

1/ Originally not available in the 2013 News Release, the rankings were derived from data in the 2014 release.

2/ Many rankings were not originally available in the 2014 News Release, but were derived from the 2015.

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