

**Table 14.12-- COST OF LIVING FOR FOREIGNERS
IN SELECTED MAJOR CITIES WORLDWIDE: AUTUMN 1998**

[Rank of 1 indicates most expensive city. Based on a survey of 150 cities. Data include categories as housing, food, clothing, utilities, transportation, and entertainment. New York City=100.0]

Rank	Foreign City	Index	Rank	U.S. City	Index
1	Tokyo	165.5	16	New York City	100.0
2	Hong Kong	153.3	50	Chicago	85.6
3	Beijing	152.1	51	Miami	85.5
4	Osaka	144.4	52	San Francisco	85.3
5	Shanghai	140.3	54	Los Angeles	84.6
6	Moscow	128.3	55	Honolulu	84.4
7	Guangzhou	121.2	61	Houston	80.3
8	London	112.4	62	Washington D.C.	80.1
9	Shenzhen	109.1	64	Boston	79.9
10	Seoul	107.9	79	St. Louis	75.2
11	Geneva	107.5	82	Denver	74.4
12	Zurich	107.4	92	Seattle	70.7
13	Singapore	106.0	94	Atlanta	70.3
14	St. Petersburg	101.8	103	Winston Salem, NC	67.2
15	Taipei	100.1	107	Portland	66.1

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