

**Table 14.20-- TOP 100 MOST EXPENSIVE CAR RENTAL DESTINATIONS  
IN THE UNITED STATES: SPRING 2025**

[The table is based on a survey which compared rental car rates at the top 100 U.S. airports according to traffic for spring 2025. Prices shown reflect average daily rates for the most affordable rental cars, March 1, 2025 to May 31, 2025. Only rental car companies located directly at a destination's airport or at the airport's rental car center have been considered for the survey. Rank of 1 assigned to the highest car rental rate]

| Rank | City            | Rate<br>(dollars) 1/ | Rank      | City                     | Rate<br>(dollars) 1/ |
|------|-----------------|----------------------|-----------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| 1    | Palm Springs    | 89                   | 35        | Chicago                  | 60                   |
| 1    | Charleston      | 89                   | 35        | St Louis                 | 60                   |
| 3    | Pittsburgh      | 85                   | 35        | El Paso                  | 60                   |
| 4    | Little Rock     | 84                   | 35        | Cincinnati               | 60                   |
| 5    | Burbank         | 83                   | 40        | New York City            | 59                   |
| 6    | Ontario         | 80                   | 40        | Cleveland                | 59                   |
| 7    | Nashville       | 78                   | 40        | San Diego                | 59                   |
| 8    | St Petersburg   | 77                   | 40        | San Jose                 | 59                   |
| 8    | Phoenix         | 77                   | 40        | Indianapolis             | 59                   |
| 10   | Madison         | 74                   | 40        | Kahului                  | 59                   |
| 11   | Baltimore       | 73                   | 40        | Boise                    | 59                   |
| 12   | Los Angeles     | 72                   | 47        | Oakland                  | 58                   |
| 12   | Detroit         | 72                   | 47        | Wichita                  | 58                   |
| 14   | Reno            | 70                   | 49        | Boston                   | 57                   |
| 14   | Santa Ana       | 70                   | 49        | San Francisco            | 57                   |
| 16   | Sanford         | 69                   | 51        | Sarasota                 | 56                   |
| 16   | Oklahoma City   | 69                   | 51        | Houston (HOU) 2/         | 56                   |
| 16   | Minneapolis     | 69                   | 51        | Portland, Maine (PWM) 2/ | 56                   |
| 16   | New Orleans     | 69                   | 51        | Newark                   | 56                   |
| 20   | Pensacola       | 68                   | 51        | New York City (LGA) 2/   | 56                   |
| 20   | Dallas (DFW) 2/ | 68                   | 56        | Rochester                | 55                   |
| 22   | Long Beach      | 67                   | 56        | Albany                   | 55                   |
| 23   | Greenville      | 66                   | <b>56</b> | <b>Kona</b>              | <b>55</b>            |
| 23   | Las Vegas       | 66                   | 56        | Chicago (ORD) 2/         | 55                   |
| 23   | Tucson          | 66                   | 56        | Orlando                  | 55                   |
| 26   | Tulsa           | 65                   | 61        | Providence               | 54                   |
| 26   | Memphis         | 65                   | 61        | Salt Lake City           | 54                   |
| 26   | Savannah        | 65                   | 61        | Philadelphia             | 54                   |
| 29   | Grand Rapids    | 64                   | 61        | Albuquerque              | 54                   |
| 29   | Milwaukee       | 64                   | 61        | Hartford                 | 54                   |
| 31   | Fayetteville    | 63                   | 61        | Richmond                 | 54                   |
| 32   | Myrtle Beach    | 62                   | 61        | Austin                   | 54                   |
| 33   | Knoxville       | 61                   | 68        | Denver                   | 53                   |
| 33   | Norfolk         | 61                   | 68        | Raleigh                  | 53                   |
| 35   | Louisville      | 60                   | <b>68</b> | <b>Honolulu</b>          | <b>53</b>            |

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|------|------------------|----------------------|------|---------------------------|----------------------|
| 68   | Atlanta          | 53                   | 83   | Charlotte                 | 48                   |
| 72   | Des Moines       | 52                   | 87   | Fresno                    | 47                   |
| 72   | Colorado Springs | 52                   | 88   | Spokane                   | 46                   |
| 72   | Houston (IAH) 2/ | 52                   | 88   | Columbus                  | 46                   |
| 75   | Jacksonville     | 51                   | 88   | Washington, D.C. (IAD) 2/ | 46                   |
| 75   | Omaha            | 51                   | 88   | Buffalo                   | 46                   |
| 75   | Miami            | 51                   | 92   | Sacramento                | 45                   |
| 75   | Lihue            | 51                   | 92   | Palm Beach                | 45                   |
| 79   | Kansas City      | 50                   | 92   | Fort Myers                | 45                   |
| 79   | Birmingham       | 50                   | 95   | Fort Lauderdale           | 44                   |
| 79   | Syracuse         | 50                   | 96   | Bozeman                   | 43                   |
| 82   | Tampa            | 49                   | 97   | San Antonio               | 40                   |
| 83   | Dallas (DAL) 2/  | 48                   | 97   | Washington, D.C. (DCA) 2/ | 40                   |
| 83   | San Juan         | 48                   | 99   | Portland, OR (PDX) 2/     | 38                   |
| 83   | Anchorage        | 48                   | 99   | Seattle                   | 38                   |

1/ Cities with same rate shown are given same rank.

2/ Cities in more than one state or with more than one airport are identified by their 3-letter International Air Transport Association (IATA) code. These are: Chicago (MDW) Midway Int'l, Chicago (ORD) O'Hare Int'l, Dallas (DAL) Dallas Love Field, Dallas (DFW) Dallas Fort Worth Int'l, Houston (HOU) William P. Hobby, Houston (IAH) George Bush Intercontinental/Houston, New York (LGA) LaGuardia, New York City (JFK) John F. Kennedy Int'l, Portland, Oregon (PDX) Portland Int'l, Portland, Maine (PWM) Portland Int'l Jetport, Washington (DCA) Washington National, and Washington (IAD) Dulles Int'l.

Source: CheapCarRental "A comparison of car rental rates in the USA - Spring 2025" (March 20, 2025) <<https://www.cheapcarrental.net/press.html>> accessed July 2, 2025.