

Table 14.25-- COST OF LIVING GLOBAL RANK FOR SELECTED MAJOR CITIES IN THE UNITED STATES: 2013 TO 2024

[The survey, conducted in March, included more than 400 cities worldwide (more than 226 cities in 2024) and measures the comparative cost of more than 200 items in each location, including housing, food, clothing, utilities, transportation, and entertainment costs. A rank of 1 indicates the most expensive city. Hong Kong ranked 1 in 2020 and 2022 to 2024]

City and state	Global rank 1/											
	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Atlanta, GA	(NA)	147	103	78	83	95	69	60	72	42	29	27
Boston, MA	123	109	64	47	51	70	49	41	50	30	21	19
Chicago, IL	(NA)	85	42	34	31	51	37	30	45	36	24	20
Cleveland, OH	(NA)	167	133	110	100	125	106	93	112	112	88	84
Dallas, TX	(NA)	125	77	62	62	85	62	52	69	75	53	55
Detroit, MI	(NA)	160	122	103	95	116	90	80	101	107	80	81
Honolulu, HI	117	97	52	37	35	54	38	28	43	20	15	12
Houston, TX	(NA)	143	92	75	74	86	59	51	75	85	61	50
Los Angeles, CA	(NA)	62	36	27	23	35	18	17	20	17	11	10
Miami, FL	114	98	56	45	41	60	44	37	48	32	22	17
Minneapolis, MN	(NA)	156	115	91	86	102	78	69	86	83	67	59
Morristown, NJ	(NA)	132	88	71	81	97	70	62	75	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
New York City, NY	24	16	16	11	9	13	9	6	14	7	6	7
Philadelphia, PA	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	70	50	46
Pittsburgh, PA	(NA)	162	130	112	107	125	97	91	110	82	65	62
Portland, OR	(NA)	166	135	117	115	130	107	92	106	91	72	65
San Francisco, CA	92	74	37	26	21	28	16	16	25	19	14	13
Seattle, WA	(NA)	153	106	83	76	90	64	55	67	45	31	28
St. Louis, MO	(NA)	161	130	108	100	122	94	83	103	101	78	72
Washington, DC	(NA)	92	50	38	39	56	42	32	51	29	23	22
White Plains, NY	(NA)	81	71	61	64	79	56	48	65	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
Winston Salem, NC	(NA)	182	157	147	140	161	138	132	151	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)

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1/ 2014 data were not originally available in the News Release, the rankings were derived from data in the following year's release.

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