



BEST CITIES FOR RELOCATING SINGLES — 2005

A COLLABORATIVE STUDY FROM WORLDWIDE ERC® AND PRIMACY RELOCATION



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PREDICTING SINGLES' SATISFACTION IN 100 U.S. CITIES

THE LATEST RANKINGS FROM WORLDWIDE ERC® AND PRIMACY RELOCATION

For a second year, Primacy and Worldwide Employee Relocation Council have teamed with Sperling's BestPlaces to identify cities with the most to offer relocating singles. This ranking combines statistical profiles of the largest 100 U.S. metro areas with criteria considered most relevant for a successful relocation.

This year's results reflect several new items that singles have told us matter to them. In addition to traditional factors that typically influence relocation, such as tax rates and commute times, the study incorporates findings specifically geared towards single transferees. These factors include the percentage of the unmarried population (aged 25-34), the balance between single men and women, and the number of newcomers to the area.

Additional factors include an in-depth climate analysis for cities where mild summers, mild winters, and plentiful rainfall contribute to reasonable utility costs. Fee and occupancy rates for temporary housing and mini-storage helped define the ease of a transition to a city. Lastly, cities with plenty of collegiate and professional sporting events and fun, fan-friendly venues got a closer look this year.

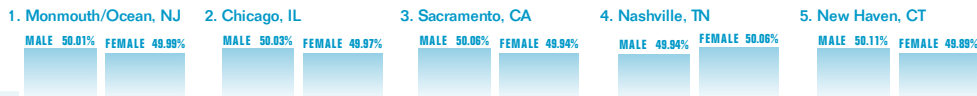
The appeal of a city is different depending on an individual's point of view. This comprehensive "Best Cities for Relocating Singles" study provides employee relocation professionals with another tool to help facilitate a happy and successful move.

City Ranking

1	Austin/San Marcos, TX	51	Sarasota/Bradenton, FL
2	Nashville, TN	52	Greensboro/Winston-Salem/High Point, NC
3	New York, NY	53	Pittsburgh, PA
4	Charlotte/Gastonia/Rock Hill, NC-SC	54	Dayton/Springfield, OH
5	Houston, TX	55	Salt Lake City/Ogden, UT
6	Dallas, TX	56	West Palm Beach/Boca Raton, FL
7	Atlanta, GA	57	Wilmington/Newark, DE-MD
8	Portland/Vancouver, OR-WA	58	Sacramento, CA
9	Seattle/Bellevue/Everett, WA	59	Bakersfield, CA
10	New Orleans, LA*	60	Charleston/North Charleston, SC
11	Harrisburg/Lebanon/Carlisle, PA	61	El Paso, TX
12	Jersey City, NJ	62	Akron, OH
13	Memphis, TN-AR-MS	63	Mobile, AL
14	Orlando, FL	64	Philadelphia, PA-NJ
15	Greenville/Spartanburg/Anderson, SC	65	Colorado Springs, CO
16	San Diego, CA	66	Little Rock/North Little Rock, AR
17	Monmouth/Ocean, NJ	67	Fort Worth/Arlington, TX
18	Cincinnati, OH-KY-IN	68	Allentown/Bethlehem/Easton, PA
19	San Francisco, CA	69	Los Angeles/Long Beach, CA
20	Albuquerque, NM	70	Newark, NJ
21	Columbia, SC	71	Bergen/Passaic, NJ
22	Denver, CO	72	Albany/Schenectady/Troy, NY
23	Baltimore, MD	73	Detroit, MI
24	Fort Lauderdale, FL	74	Youngstown/Warren, OH
25	Tulsa, OK	75	Norfolk/Virginia Beach/Newport News, VA-NC
26	Omaha, NE-IA	76	Richmond/Petersburg, VA
27	Jacksonville, FL	77	Tacoma, WA
28	Nassau/Suffolk, NY	78	McAllen/Edinburg/Mission, TX
29	Raleigh-Durham/Chapel Hill, NC	79	Stockton/Lodi, CA
30	Oklahoma City, OK	80	Wichita, KS
31	Miami, FL	81	Milwaukee/Waukesha, WI
32	Columbus, OH	82	Honolulu, HI
33	Washington, DC-MD-VA-WV	83	Orange County, CA
34	Phoenix/Mesa, AZ	84	Cleveland/Lorain/Elyria, OH
35	Tucson, AZ	85	St. Louis, MO-IL
36	Chicago, IL	86	Las Vegas, NV-AZ
37	San Jose, CA	87	Scranton/Wilkes-Barre/Hazleton, PA
38	Louisville, KY-IN	88	Buffalo/Niagara Falls, NY
39	Tampa/St. Petersburg/Clearwater, FL	89	Rochester, NY
40	Toledo, OH	90	Boston, MA-NH
41	San Antonio, TX	91	New Haven/Meriden, CT
42	Knoxville, TN	92	Springfield, MA
43	Indianapolis, IN	93	Fresno, CA
44	Baton Rouge, LA*	94	Ann Arbor, MI
45	Kansas City, MO-KS	95	Grand Rapids/Muskegon/Holland, MI
46	Middlesex/Somerset/Hunterdon, NJ	96	Gary, IN
47	Birmingham, AL	97	Syracuse, NY
48	Minneapolis/St. Paul, MN-WI	98	Providence/Fall River/Warwick, RI-MA
49	Oakland, CA	99	Hartford, CT
50	Riverside/San Bernardino, CA	100	Ventura, CA

*Rankings based on 2004-2005 statistical records.

Closest Gender Parity



Largest Percentage of Singles, Aged 25-34

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| 1. Minneapolis/St. Paul | 6. Syracuse |
| 2. Allentown/Bethlehem | 7. Albany |
| 3. Cincinnati | 8. Milwaukee |
| 4. Washington | 9. Omaha |
| 5. Baltimore | 10. Buffalo |

