

2010
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Metro Area	Population	Cost of Living Index	Percentage of Workforce in Creative	Median Household Income	Salary Growth	Employment Growth
Springfield, IL	206,445	86.20	30.6	\$49,116	4.82%	-2.07%
St. Louis, MO-IL	2,803,854	87.58	28.5	\$51,713	3.58%	1.07%
Indianapolis-Carmel, IN	1,692,148	88.69	24	\$52,607	3.87%	1.84%
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX	5,603,882	89.03	36.8	\$51,685	2.94%	4.34%
Knoxville, TN	680,444	89.33	26.9	\$44,511	3.23%	0.69%
Bowling Green, KY	115,843	89.53	23.3	\$42,383	3.64%	4.56%
Springfield, MO	418,626	89.65	24.4	\$40,455	3.67%	2.99%
Terre Haute, IN	170,091	89.84	22.3	\$38,401	3.79%	-0.58%
Oklahoma City, OK	1,189,529	89.92	27.4	\$43,652	3.65%	1.69%
Cincinnati-Middletown, OH-KY-IN	2,138,528	89.98	28.9	\$51,926	3.56%	0.49%
Mobile, AL	404,012	90.29	28.5	\$38,596	3.92%	2.98%
Savannah, GA	328,281	90.36	22.5	\$46,084	2.97%	2.92%
Winston-Salem, NC	461,154	90.71	28.1	\$45,112	3.51%	1.82%
Wichita, KS	595,686	90.90	25.3	\$46,797	3.00%	1.89%
Spokane, WA	455,204	91.15	28.3	\$44,694	3.22%	2.99%
Huntsville, AL	386,572	91.19	32.3	\$51,275	4.75%	3.56%
Rockford, IL	350,096	91.56	20.2	\$48,282	1.64%	2.02%
Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach, SC	248,862	91.68	25.7	\$41,975	3.39%	7.10%
Colorado Springs, CO	609,003	91.93	27.6	\$55,064	3.29%	2.53%
Pittsburgh, PA	2,355,367	92.18	33.6	\$44,814	3.92%	1.28%
Jacksonville, NC	163,390	92.27	23.8	\$42,173	5.79%	9.34%
Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord, NC-SC	1,642,766	92.28	27.8	\$51,702	3.51%	4.74%
Cedar Rapids, IA	252,435	92.42	43.6	\$49,948	3.70%	1.49%
Charleston, WV	303,734	92.59	40.6	\$39,526	3.70%	1.39%
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX	6,150,828	92.86	27.2	\$53,748	3.16%	3.52%
Dayton, OH	838,785	93.27	35.1	\$46,249	2.88%	-0.40%
Buffalo-Niagara Falls, NY	1,127,604	93.65	31.7	\$44,747	3.69%	-0.09%

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Durham, NC	478,299	94.54	30.4	\$47,808	2.47%	3.55%
Columbus, OH	1,752,870	94.66	24.7	\$51,687	3.41%	1.08%
Johnstown, PA	145,079	94.84	35.6	\$37,030	5.35%	0.95%
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA	5,251,899	94.93	24.5	\$57,307	2.30%	2.81%
Lexington-Fayette, KY	446,464	95.12	32.8	\$46,311	3.03%	2.31%
Green Bay, WI	300,766	95.40	26.4	\$50,910	1.92%	0.41%
Kansas City, MO-KS	1,980,619	95.51	30.3	\$53,564	3.54%	1.73%
Evansville, IN-KY	349,528	95.70	22.8	\$45,162	4.10%	-0.25%
Montgomery, AL	364,782	96.20	24.1	\$43,654	3.39%	2.43%
Greenville, NC	172,671	96.21	22.9	\$36,498	2.23%	2.39%
Dubuque, IA	92,139	96.70	25.5	\$46,633	2.76%	-0.29%
Bloomington-Normal, IL	163,540	97.31	38.2	\$54,252	8.80%	2.79%
Rochester, MN	180,530	98.21	29.2	\$60,342	-9.86%	6.17%
Salt Lake City, UT	1,095,103	98.87	33.5	\$55,064	4.61%	4.24%
Harrisonburg, VA	117,300	99.22	29.7	\$44,860	2.96%	2.85%
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor, OH	2,095,675	99.26	30	\$47,600	2.95%	0.22%
Ann Arbor, MI	347,177	100.00	30.7	\$59,887	3.76%	0.30%
Bloomington, IN	182,703	100.00	31.4	\$39,395	5.61%	8.65%
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ	4,160,999	100.00	24.4	\$52,857	1.10%	17.77%
Columbus, IN	74,609	100.00	28.6	\$52,172	6.08%	5.29%
Toledo, OH	650,540	100.00	27.9	\$45,865	3.15%	-0.01%
Huntington-Ashland, WV-KY-OH	284,134	100.00	25.5	\$34,606	1.85%	0.09%
Atlantic City, NJ	269,993	100.00	23.9	\$53,473	4.68%	-0.34%
Spartanburg, SC	275,190	100.00	24.1	\$40,743	1.51%	1.41%
Battle Creek, MI	136,462	100.00	29	\$42,181	2.93%	-2.52%
Wheeling, WV-OH	145,761	100.00	30.6	\$34,783	1.66%	0.10%
Owensboro, KY	112,011	100.00	28.6	\$40,819	3.05%	2.85%

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Parkersburg-Marietta-Vienna, WV-OH	160,097	100.00	26.6	\$37,685	3.17%	0.93%
Detroit-Warren-Livonia, MI	4,456,416	100.06	30	\$53,593	5.72%	3.64%
Denver-Aurora, CO	2,454,378	101.93	32.6	\$58,039	3.42%	2.46%
Milwaukee-Waukesha-West Allis, WI	1,543,802	102.04	33.4	\$51,669	3.40%	1.62%
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD	5,822,368	103.51	29.4	\$57,831	3.73%	0.55%
Richmond, VA	1,210,042	105.34	32.3	\$56,277	3.13%	1.92%
Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News, VA-NC	1,658,707	110.42	29	\$54,442	2.85%	1.26%
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI	9,502,094	113.47	32.7	\$58,946	4.85%	1.47%
Minneapolis-St. Paul-, MN	3,197,225	114.39	36.1	\$63,866	2.90%	1.18%
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA	3,299,005	114.64	33.9	\$61,740	4.06%	3.79%
Portland-Vancouver-Beaverton, OR-WA	2,166,809	117.14	44.9	\$53,935	4.09%	3.58%
Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Miami Beach, FL	5,403,075	120.94	30.5	\$47,527	3.70%	2.08%
Boulder, CO	289,005	124.74	33.1	\$63,064	5.82%	4.04%
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH	4,649,838	129.53	35.8	\$66,870	4.01%	1.95%
Pittsfield, MA	72,306	129.53	30	\$66,870	6.09%	6.35%
New Haven, CT	582,621	129.53	23.3	\$66,870	3.39%	1.39%
Danbury, CT	161,436	129.53	25.3	\$66,870	1.47%	3.62%
San Diego-Carlsbad-San Marcos, CA	2,965,943	132.49	33.9	\$60,970	4.33%	1.49%
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA	12,818,132	142.16	35.7	\$56,680	4.72%	2.50%
Honolulu, HI	903,231	165.53	32	\$64,355	3.86%	0.76%
New York-Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA	18,925,869	400.00	29.6	\$60,964	3.81%	1.51%