

Austin Rankings

- Austin is the highest-rated sports city that does not have at least one team in a major professional league, according to *Sporting News* in its annual Best Sports Cities rankings. (October 2009)
- *Fortune* names Austin the #8 city for good entrepreneurship opportunities and a good business market. (October 2009)
- Austin ranks #10 on *Entrepreneur* magazine's list of the top start-up cities in the nation. (August 2009)
- ForbesTraveler.com recognizes Austin as one of North America's most bike-friendly cities. (July 2009)
- After evaluating the costs of goods throughout the world, Frommer's Global Price Index lists Austin as one of the cities where visitors get more for their money. (July 2009)
- The Mother Nature Network recognizes Austin as one of the 10 greenest cities in the country. (July 2009)
- Treehugger.com names Austin one of the five greenest cities in the world to visit. (June 2009)
- Pitney Bowes Business Insight names Austin America's top retail city. (May 2009)
- Austin ranks #7 on the list of America's Top Tech Centers, according to *American Cities Business Journals*. (May 2009)
- Austin is named #8 on Kiplinger.com's 2009 Best Cities: Our top 10 list. (May 2009)
- The American College of Sports Medicine's American Fitness Index ranks Austin #9 among "fit" cities. (May 2009)
- Austin is #1 on Forbes.com list of America's best bargain cities. (May 2009)
- *AmericanStyle* magazine readers ranks Austin #15 on the list of top art destinations in the country. (April 2009)
- Austin's business friendly attitude helped move Austin up in the ranks to #8 in Forbes.com's Best Places for Business and Careers. (March 2009)
- Austin-Bergstrom International Airport is named the 3rd best performing airport in North America in airport service quality by Airports Council International. (March 2009)
- Forbes.com names Austin among America's Best Cities for the Outdoors due to the mix of mild weather, plentiful park land and assortment of outdoor activities. (February 2009)
- Austin is named one of the Top 10 Budget Travel Destinations for 2009 by *Budget Travel Magazine*. (January 2009)
- Austin is ranked the 5th safest city with a population of 500,000 or more by the CQ Press of Washington D.C. (January 2009)
- Yahoo.com ranks Austin among the Top 10 Hot Spots of 2009 (November 2008)
- Austin ranks #5 on MSN.com's list of the nation's best tech cities, "where tech titans and younger geeks do business." (November 2008)
- Austin is the country's #1 place to get the "best bang for your buck," according to *Forbes* magazine. (October 2008)
- TripAdvisor.com lists Austin among the top 10 underrated destinations in the nation due to the abundance of attractions and activities offered all year. (September 2008)
- Austin is named as one of the top trail cities in the United States by *Trail Runner* magazine. (September 2008)
- Austin ranks 4th on the list of Best Performing cities by Economic Growth by Milken Institute. (September 2008)

- *Hispanic* magazine ranks Austin among the top ten cities in the nation for Hispanics to live and work. (August 2008)
- Austin is named the “Traveler’s Choice 2008 Award Winner” by TripAdvisor.com because of the city’s steady growth, abundance of outdoor activities and ability to maintain its mellow, small-town appeal. (July 2008)
- Austin is listed among the Top 10 Cities to Live, Work and Play by Kiplinger’s Personal Finance, due to its strong economy, growing population and natural beauty. (June 2008)
- *New York Times* names the Texas Hill Country and Austin among its Top 31 Places to Visit for a summer vacation. (June 2008)
- Austin is listed as one of the Top 10 Best Places to Live in the U.S. by msnbc.com, due to its strong economy and natural beauty. (June 2008)
- *Esquire Magazine* listed Austin’s Deep Eddy Cabaret the 2nd Best Bar in the Country as part of its list of Best Bars in America. Five other Austin bars made the list. (May 2008)
- Austin is listed as the #1 Memorial Day Getaway by ShermansTravel.com. (April 2008)
- Trip Advisor’s Travelers’ Choice lists Austin among its favorite destinations in the United States. (April 2008)
- Orbitz.com lists Austin as one of the country’s Top Six Movie Landmark Destinations. (March 2008)
- *Popular Science* names Austin as one of the Top 10 Green Cities in the U.S. (February 2008)
- According to *MovieMaker* magazine, Austin is the #1 city in America to live and make movies, due to its industry infrastructure and “film friendly” attitude. (January 2008)

**List provided by the Austin Convention & Visitors Bureau*

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