

Austin Rankings

- 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)*
- Austin's perfect weather and great courses helped the city to be named #1 Golf City in America on CNN's *golf.com*. *(November 2007)*
- Austin named #1 of top 27 environmentally friendly cities to live in by U.S. Private Communities. *(2007)*
- Austin-Bergstrom International Airport listed among best spots for airport dining around the U.S. on Conde Nast's Portfolio.com. *(September 2007)*
- Great wines and Southern hospitality combine to rocket Austin and the Texas Hill Country to #2 on Orbitz.com's list of the top Ten Fastest Growing Wine Regions. *(September 2007)*
- *National Geographic Adventure* names Austin as Texas' #1 Adventure town in their list of "50 Best Places to Live & Play." *(September 2007)*
- Moody's Economy.com rates Austin as the best place for business in the U.S. *(August 2007)*
- *Hispanic* magazine lists Austin as #1 Best City for Hispanics to Live and Work for the third consecutive year. *(August 2007)*
- *Black Meetings & Tourism* lists Austin as a premier "Cost Conscious" destination. *(June/July 2007)*
- *Msn.com* gives Austin top billing among America's Greenest Cities, citing the city's green energy program and climate protection plan. *(June 2007)*
- Kiplinger's Personal Finance rates Austin among the top five cities in the country for young singles, as part of their Best Cities for Every Stage of Your Life. *(June 2007)*
- Austin is the #3 city in America for independent filmmaking, according to a recent list released at the Sundance Film Festival by *MovieMaker* magazine. *(2007)*
- *Sherman's Travel* lists Austin at #5 among its Top Ten Easy Spring Getaways. *(May 2007)*

- *Men's Journal* names Austin as one of the top five places to “embrace urban life.” (April 2007)
- Austin ranks #2 on *Prevention Magazine's* list of the Top Ten Cities for Taking a Stroll. (March 2007)
- Austin is ranked #17 among *Cooking Light's* Top 20 Healthiest Cities in America. Cities were judged on nutrition, physical health and holistic well-being. (January/February 2007)
- National Geographic Traveler dubs Austin “The Best Little City in America” in a feature article. (Nov./Dec. 2006)
- Continental Magazine names Austin “Sports Center: The Most Sports-Crazed City in the World.” (September 2006)
- *Money* magazine lists Austin 2nd among the 10 best places to live, judging on financial, educational and quality of life criteria, among others. (July 2006)
- *Sperling's BestPlaces* named Austin #9 among the top Ten “Chill” Cities. The survey created a “chill index” based on the behavior of the city's residents and social opportunities the city provided (July 2006)
- U.S. Census Bureau reports Austin ranks 5th among the most educated cities in the U.S., with 45.1% of the population having a college degree or higher. (U.S. Census Bureau, 2004 American Community Survey, reported June 2006)
- Austin-Bergstrom International Airport was named Best Domestic Airport at the 2006 Airports Council International Airport Service Quality Awards held in Dubai.
- Austin ranks 3rd Safest Major U.S. City. (FBI's Uniform Crime Statistics, April 2006)
- People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals (PETA) places Austin at #8 among America's top 10 vegetarian/vegan-friendly large. (April 2006)
- Austin was named the 6th Best Walking City in the Nation by the America Podiatric Medical Association. (March 2006)

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