

Table 12.15-- COST OF LIVING IN SELECTED MAJOR CITIES IN THE UNITED STATES AND RANK WORLDWIDE: MARCH 2001 TO 2003

(The survey, which covers 144 cities worldwide, measures the comparative cost of over 200 items in each location, including housing, food, clothing, utilities, transportation, and entertainment costs. Since the list for 2005 is not complete, the cities are listed in order of rank in 2004. Rank of 1 indicates most expensive city. New York City = 100.0)

City and state	Index			Global Rank		
	2003	2004	2005	2003	2004	2005
New York City, NY	100.0	100.0	100.0	10	12	13
Los Angeles, CA	85.6	86.6	86.7	22	27	44
Chicago, IL	83.9	84.5	84.6	25	35	52
San Francisco, CA	83.0	84.3	84.9	30	38	50
White Plains, NY	86.2	82.7	86.6	20	52	45
Miami, FL	83.7	82.0	NA	27	55	NA
Honolulu, HI	82.8	81.3	NA	32	57	NA
Washington, DC	76.9	77.4	77.4	46	68	78
Boston, MA	76.3	76.4	NA	54	70	NA
Morristown, NJ	76.7	76.0	NA	53	72	NA
Houston, TX	78.3	75.8	NA	46	73	NA
Atlanta, GA	74.7	72.9	NA	61	85	NA
Seattle, WA	71.3	71.4	NA	80	90	NA
St. Louis, MO	71.0	71.2	NA	82	92	NA
Cleveland, OH	69.0	69.4	NA	87	98	NA
Denver CO	73.0	69.3	NA	69	100	NA
Detroit, MI	71.5	68.8	NA	79	101	NA
Portland, OR	67.8	67.7	NA	92	105	NA
Winston Salem, NC	67.7	66.9	66.6	93	107	119
Pittsburgh, PA	67.8	66.5	NA	88	112	NA

NA = Not available.

Source: State Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism, Website:

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