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Austin hasn't lost its allure.

The city was the only one in Texas to make the list of the 10 fastest-growing U.S. metro areas, ranking fifth, with a population increase of 4.3 percent in 2007, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.

The Austin-Round Rock area had the eighth highest numeric population gain, with 65,880 new residents moving into the region in 2007.

Overall, four Texas metropolitan areas saw big numerical population increases last year.

The Dallas-Fort Worth region ranked No. 1 in the list of top 10 U.S. metro areas by overall numeric population growth with an additional 162,250 people from 2006 to 2007.

The Houston metro area ranked fourth on that list, with an additional

120,544 people, trailing Atlanta, with 151,000 people, and Phoenix, with 132,000.

Neighboring San Antonio came in tenth with an increase of 53,925.

The Census Bureau also reports that eight of the fastest-growing metro areas were located in the southern part of the country.

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