

## Austin ranks high for, well, just about everything

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Rarely does a week go by without Austin being listed at or near the top of a "best of" list. With so much positive PR for this city flying around, I thought it would be helpful to wrangle it all together. So here goes.

- The biggie people still like to talk about came from *Kiplinger's Personal Finance* in May 2010, which tagged Austin as the [No. 1 best city to live in for the next 10 years](#).
- Just last week, Austin placed third in a ["Youngest Cities" ranking](#), which was based on how youthful residents feel, not their actual age.
- When it comes to [social networking](#), few cities beat Austin's prowess, *Men's Health* magazine says.
- Austin is the [second-best place to find a job right now](#), according to number crunchers at Ajilon Professional Staffing.
- In November, Austin was deemed to have the [second-strongest job market in the country](#) by the Milken Institute (behind only Killeen, Texas).
- That backs up another list in July 2010 that put [Austin among the top job-generating cities](#).
- In May 2010, Austin was listed among the [country's healthiest cities on two other lists](#).
- A [CNN/Money](#) study last year [labeled Austin as recession-proof](#).
- Austin was chosen as [one of the eight best places to live and work](#) in the U.S. by *Business Review USA*.
- [Austinites have the ninth-best "quality of life,"](#) according to [Portfolio.com](#) study in May 2010.
- Austin (again) ranked [No. 4 on a list of the biggest tax procrastinating cities](#). I'll go out on a limb and put this one in the "positive" category because it illustrates how laid back and cool this city is. We're much too busy this time of year with rodeos, music festivals and perfect weather to be bogged down by tax forms.
- Austin was [ranked the third-best city to move to in the United States](#), according to a [RelocateAmerica.com](#) report about a year ago.
- They were on to something, because earlier this year U-Haul said [Austin is one of the most-moved-to cities](#) in the country.

- Austin was [picked as the nation's most progressive and proactive entrepreneurial center](#) in a July article from [Entrepreneur.com](#).
- PayScale Inc. just ranked [Austin second among cities considered an IT startup "Hot Spot."](#)
- Austin is the [third-best city for young entrepreneurs](#), says Under 30 CEO.
- Entrepreneur magazine [ranked Austin a top creative center in July](#).
- If you're a **college student**, there are few places better than Austin, according to a [Huffington Post ranking](#).
- Austin ranks as the nation's [fifth-best city for new college graduates](#) in the latest annual listing by Bloomberg Businessweek.
- Austin was deemed by *Men's Health* to be [America's most sex-happy city](#).
- Austin was Yahoo Travel's [third-best city for singles last year](#). And [Vavoom.com](#) put Austin as its [second-best city for dating](#) behind Miami earlier this year.
- Austin did well on a Forbes list in June 2010 [highlighting the best cities for young professionals](#).
- We have some of the [cleanest air in the country](#), according to another list.
- [Austin is the best city for Hispanics](#), according to Popular Hispanics.
- While we're not really an industrial town, Austin is still [one of the country's top cities for manufacturing jobs](#), according to Manufacturers' News Inc.
- In December, Forbes put [Austin at No. 12](#) on its first list of the best cities **for shopping**.
- We already have more restaurants per capita than most cities, but that didn't stop Austin from being named recently as [one of the top 10 emerging restaurant markets in the U.S.](#)
- When it comes to [live music, Austin is No. 3 in the U.S.](#), according to [MSNBC.com](#).
- Austin is also [one of the safest cities](#) of its size, another study said.
- Late last year, [Austin residents were ranked the 7th brainiest](#) in the U.S. by Daily Beast.
- And all that brainpower must make life easier, because [Austin is one of the least-stressed cities in the U.S.](#)

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