

GREATER DES MOINES RANKINGS 2010-2011

Des Moines-West Des Moines ranks #1 place as “Best Places for Young Professionals.”
-*Forbes*

Des Moines ranks #2 as the “Best Place for Business and Careers.” -*Forbes*

Des Moines-West Des Moines ranks #1 place as “America’s Best Places to Raise a Family.” -*Forbes*

Des Moines is the #1 richest metro in the nation.
- *US News & World Report*

Des Moines ranks in the top ten “Best Cities for the Next Decade.” -*Kiplinger*

Des Moines is 17 percent below the national average for cost of doing business.
- *Moody’s Economy.com*

Des Moines ranks #2 in “Most Secure U.S. Places to Live.”
- *Farmer’s Insurance Group*

Des Moines is the #1 city in the US for home renters. -*Time*

Des Moines ranks first in the nation for real estate as the “Most Livable Bargain Market.”
- *MSN.com*

Des Moines is the #4 city in the nation for doing business. - *MarketWatch*

Des Moines-West Des Moines ranks in the top ten for “Best Mid-Sized Cities for Jobs.”
-*Forbes*

Ranked 3rd place for a “Where to Live & Play Now!” city, Des Moines is listed as a top place to live to GO GREEN. - *National Geographic*

Metro Des Moines ranked in the top ten for mid-sized metro areas in “Best Places to Launch a Small Business.”- *CNNMoney.com*

Des Moines living costs are 10 percent below the national average.
- *The Council for Community and Economic Research*

Iowa ranks as the 2nd happiest state in financial stability, unemployment, mortgage rates and foreclosures.
- *MainStreet.com*

