



HOUSTON, TX



17th happiest city

Top 50%
of cities

Most like:
Colorado Springs
Cleveland

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8 out of 10 say:
"It's the best place to live"



72%
"My home makes
me proud"



58%
"My home is my
favorite place to be"



69%
"I plan to stay in my
community for the
next 5 years"

What Makes Houston's Homeowners Happy?

Our research shows that homeowner happiness boils down to a combination of three important factors:

1. DWELLING

Affordable, well-functioning homes offering enjoyable accommodations



27 years
average home
age

72%
have renovated
their homes

74%
are happy with their
home's size and layout

56%
say they have
adequate storage

\$302,500

Average Home Price (U.S. Census)

59%

"The cost of living is reasonable"

2. COMMUNITY

A sense of diversity, safety and a strong neighborhood network



DIVERSITY
62%
"I feel that my community
is racially diverse"

52%
"I feel that my community
is religiously diverse"

SAFETY
69%
"I live in a community
that makes me feel safe"

62%
"My community offers good fire,
police and medical services"

NEIGHBORHOOD
55%
"I have neighbors
I enjoy"

68%
"I trust my neighbors"

6,656,947

Population (U.S. Census)

3. ACCESSIBILITY

Practical commutes and access to important attractions and services



COMMUTING AND TRAVEL TIMES

57%
live and work in
close proximity

66%
have a reasonable
commute

86%
have easy access
to highways

ACCESS TO ATTRACTIONS AND SERVICES

94%
live within one hour of
a major metro area

78%
have access to shopping
that meets their needs

54%
live close to body
of water

40 MINUTES

Average travel time to work