



WASHINGTON D.C.



23rd happiest city

Bottom 50%
of cities

Most like:
Boston
Dallas

[Click for its full report.](#)



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



70%

"My home makes me proud"



55%

"My home is my favorite place to be"



63%

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

What Makes Washington D.C.'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



34 years

average home age

79%

have renovated their homes

67%

are happy with their home's size and layout

49%

say they have adequate storage

\$547,000

Average Home Price (U.S. Census)

39%

"The cost of living is reasonable"

2. COMMUNITY

A sense of diversity, safety and a strong neighborhood network



DIVERSITY

57%

"I feel that my community is racially diverse"

54%

"I feel that my community is religiously diverse"

SAFETY

72%

"I live in a community that makes me feel safe"

68%

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

NEIGHBORHOOD

55%

"I have neighbors I enjoy"

68%

"I trust my neighbors"

4,812,246

Population (U.S. Census)

3. ACCESSIBILITY

Practical commutes and access to important attractions and services



COMMUTING AND TRAVEL TIMES

51%

live and work in close proximity

59%

have a reasonable commute

84%

have easy access to highways

ACCESS TO ATTRACTIONS AND SERVICES

88%

live within one hour of a major metro area

71%

have access to shopping that meets their needs

49%

live close to body of water

60 MINUTES

Average travel time to work