

SOUTH CAROLINA



14th happiest state

Top 50% of states

Most like:
North Carolina
Minnesota

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8 out of 10 say:

"It's the best place to live"



68%

"My home makes me proud"



56%

"My home is my favorite place to be"



69%

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

What Makes South Carolina'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



28 years

average home age

71%

have renovated their homes

67%

are happy with their home's size and layout

51%

say they have adequate storage

\$180,000

Average Home Price (U.S. Census)

71%

"The cost of living is reasonable"

2. COMMUNITY

A sense of diversity, safety and a strong neighborhood network



DIVERSITY

52%

"I feel that my community is racially diverse"

51%

"I feel that my community is religiously diverse"

SAFETY

73%

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

67%

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

NEIGHBORHOOD

59%

"I have neighbors I enjoy"

69%

"I trust my neighbors"

4,896,146

Population (U.S. Census)

3. ACCESSIBILITY

Practical commutes and access to important attractions and services



COMMUTING AND TRAVEL TIMES

59%

live and work in close proximity

67%

have a reasonable commute

80%

have easy access to highways

ACCESS TO ATTRACTIONS AND SERVICES

76%

live within one hour of a major metro area

74%

have access to shopping that meets their needs

63%

live close to body of water

30 MINUTES

Average travel time to work