

METRO COMPARISONS TOP 15 LARGEST U.S. METRO AREAS

Demographics	Atlanta	Boston	Chicago	Dallas	Detroit	Houston	Los Angeles	Miami	Minneapolis	New York-Newark	Philadelphia	Phoenix	San Francisco	Seattle	D.C.
Metro Area Population															
Population (2021 Estimate)	6,144,050	4,899,932	9,509,934	7,759,615	4,365,205	7,206,841	12,997,353	6,091,747	3,690,512	19,768,458	6,228,601	4,946,145	4,623,264	4,011,553	6,356,434
Population Change (2020-2021)	42,904	-36,579	-91,671	97,290	-20,543	69,094	-175,913	-34,694	-1,909	-327,955	-13,382	78,220	-116,385	-13,177	-29,280
Net Migration (2020-2021 Estimate)	25,049	-37,535	-102,613	62,921	-16,682	31,921	-199,539	-32,541	-12,629	-361,774	-10,623	70,097	-123,885	-24,169	-54,211
Projected Population (2030)	6,889,260	5,087,290	9,732,540	8,761,190	4,308,850	8,231,410	13,802,750	6,838,030	3,953,920	19,794,520	6,333,940	5,818,620	5,069,470	4,434,060	6,992,110
Projected Population Growth Rate (2020-2030)	12.1%	3.8%	2.3%	12.9%	-1.3%	14.2%	6.2%	12.3%	7.1%	0.1%	1.7%	17.6%	9.7%	10.5%	10.0%
Median Age (2021 Estimate)	36.6	38.8	37.7	35	40.1	34.5	37.1	41.2	37.2	38.8	38.9	36.9	39.1	37	37.2
Foreign Born Population (2020 Estimate)	13.86%	18.91%	17.57%	11.46%	10.07%	23.26%	32.74%	16.72%	10.63%	29.34%	11.10%	14.20%	30.66%	19.20%	22.81%
Metro Area Education															
Educational Attainment: Earned High School Degree or Higher (2020 Estimate)	90.0%	92.2%	89.4%	86.6%	91.0%	84.6%	81.4%	85.3%	94.1%	87.3%	91.2%	88.0%	89.5%	92.8%	91.0%
Educational Attainment: Earned Bachelor's Degree or Higher (2020 Estimate)	39.9%	49.3%	39.2%	36.3%	32.4%	33.3%	35.5%	33.1%	43.2%	41.8%	39.0%	32.2%	51.4%	44.1%	51.4%
Educational Attainment: Earned Graduate or Professional Degree (2020 Estimate)	15.1%	22.8%	15.6%	12.8%	13.2%	12.1%	12.4%	12.5%	14.9%	17.6%	15.9%	11.6%	21.4%	17.3%	25.1%
Higher Education: Degrees Awarded (Bachelor's/Master's/Doctor's) (Academic Year Fall 2019- Spring 2020)	53,801	93,252	91,944	53,480	18,044	28,533	132,323	48,763	52,592	194,220	72,085	78,199	39,970	27,327	78,746
Higher Education: Students Enrolled (Fall 2019-Spring 2020)	340,083	364,734	519,238	402,841	154,171	319,777	1,043,008	331,910	258,387	1,050,872	357,355	476,524	293,063	190,392	422,031
Economic Indicators	Atlanta	Boston	Chicago	Dallas	Detroit	Houston	Los Angeles	Miami	Minneapolis	New York-Newark	Philadelphia	Phoenix	San Francisco	Seattle	D.C.
GDP (Millions) (2020, advanced statistics)	\$425.443.81	\$480.307.07	\$692,988.24	\$534,807.25	\$254,533.02	\$488,164,63	\$1,007,037.07	\$365,051.49	\$270,282.13	\$1.809.323.40	\$439,055.12	\$281,004.84	\$588,335.54	\$426,939.96	\$561,027.94
Annual Job Growth (2020-2021 nonfarm employment change)	158,900	128,400	223,700	245,700	108,200	158,400	461,900	153,300	45,300	466,900	118,700	92,700	163,700	106,700	106,400
Metro Area Workforce															
Labor Force (2022)	3,116,008	2,758,396	4,722,697	4,055,466	2,114,179	3,424,637	6,628,627	1,307,815	1,973,734	9,700,835	3,059,677	2,578,594	2,463,333	2,192,529	3,352,650
Unemployment Rate (2022)	3.5%	5.1%	6.8%	5.3%	6.3%	6.6%	8.7%	5.3%	3.6%	7.7%	6.3%	5.1%	5.4%	5.0%	4.9%
Median Hourly Wage (May 2021)	\$22.02	\$29.13	\$22.74	\$21.86	\$22.87	\$21.46	\$22.87	\$18.59	\$23.38	\$26.83	\$22.85	\$21.91	\$29.81	\$28.96	\$29.63
Transportation	Atlanta	Boston	Chicago	Dallas	Detroit	Houston	Los Angeles	Miami	Minneapolis	New York-Newark	Philadelphia	Phoenix	San Francisco	Seattle	D.C.
Metro Area Air Service	ATL	BOS	ORD MDW	DFW DAL	DTW	IAH HOU	LAX	MIA FLL	MSP	JFK/LGA/EWR	PHL	РНХ	SFO OAK	SEA	IAD DCA
International non-stop markets served	79	65	144	92	25	17	165	188	32	167	45	28	75	29	86
Domestic non-stop markets served	199	153	231	219	148	146	199	185	181	117	177	187	161	142	197
Total non-stop markets served	278	218	375	311	173	163	364	373	213	284	222	215	236	171	283
Average Price: Gasoline, All Types (Cost per Gallon/3.785 Liters)	\$3.40	\$3.58	\$3.80	\$3.29	\$3.45	\$3.17	\$4.81	\$3.56	\$3.88	\$3.72	\$3.71	\$3.87	\$4.85	\$4.18	\$3.51
Regional Container Port Service	Atlanta	Boston	Chicago	Dallas	Baltimore, MD	Houston	Los Angeles	Miami	Baltimore, MD	New York-Newark	Philadelphia	Phoenix	San Francisco	Seattle, WA	D.C.
Distance to ocean port (miles)	250	0	701	245	462	0	0	0	965	0	0	356	12	2	41
Cost of Living	Atlanta	Boston	Chicago	Dallas	Detroit	Houston	Los Angeles	Miami	Minneapolis	New York-Newark	Philadelphia	Phoenix	San Francisco	Seattle	D.C.
Cost of Living Index [U.S. average = 100] (Q1 2022)	104	150.8	126.4	101.2	103.3	91.7	151.9	120.4	99.5	237.8 122.3	106	104.2	184.2	150.7	158.8
Average Monthly Apartment Rent [950 sq.ft. 2BR 2BA] (Q3 2021)	\$1,453	\$3,408	no data	\$1,483	1,334	\$1,197	\$2,893	\$2,432	\$1,242.00	Manhattan: \$4,640 Newark: \$1,833	\$1,473	\$1,821	\$3,580	\$2,661	\$3,106
Median Listing Price of Active For-Sale Homes (January 2022)	\$389,945	\$694,500	\$312,500	\$399,950	\$217,450.00	\$359,995	\$897,000	\$495,000	\$354,267.50	MSA: \$66400	\$299,950	\$486,000	\$954,000	\$670,000	\$500,000



Commercial Real Estate	Atlanta	Boston	Chicago	Dallas	Detroit	Houston	Los Angeles	Miami	Minneapolis	New York-Newark	Philadelphia	Phoenix	San Francisco	Seattle	D.C.
Metro Area Office Market															
lass A Asking Rent (\$/sq.ft./yr.)	\$31.04	\$31.48	\$28.50	\$30.06	\$22.24	\$35.28	\$42.71	\$46.26	\$30.81	\$40.27	\$30.21	\$31.80	\$67.55	\$42.39	\$40.79
lass B Asking Rent (\$/sq.ft./yr.)	\$20.56	\$23.23	\$22.35	\$22.32	\$19.46	\$22.52	\$36.13	\$32.23	\$21.67	\$35.47	\$22.88	\$24.27	\$61.97	\$28.71	\$33.96
tal Office Market Inventory- Class A,B,C (sq.ft.)	315,700,323	347.010.040	495,249,465	393,844,062	193.406.787	331.540.242	422,257,301	108.178.388	198.079.527	941.189.591	318.076.496	191.389.116	177.204.629	208.409.676	502.655.55
otal Office Market Vacancy Rate-Class A,B,C	11.5%	7.5%	12.1%	15.3%	9.8%	16.7%	10.0%	8.5%	8.3%	8.3%	8.5%	11.7%	5.9%	5.9%	13.1%
letro Area Industrial Market	11.570	7.570	12.170	13.370	5.676	10.770	10.070	0.570	0.5%	0.570	0.570	11.776	5.576	5.570	10.170
ex Asking Rent (\$/sg.ft./vr.)	\$10.74	\$14.91	\$12.06	\$10.67	\$10.32	\$10.50	\$21.01	\$17.66	\$8.87	\$19.20	\$10.78	\$13.43	\$32.04	\$18.85	\$14.69
ogistics Asking Rent (\$/sq.ft./yr.)	\$5.38	\$10.36	\$6.80	\$5.80	\$6.49	\$6.87	\$12.80	\$12.04	\$6.53	\$13.53	\$6.62	\$7.71	\$17.65	\$10.21	\$10.65
otal Industrial Market Inventory (sq.ft.)	725,425,703	343,735,391	1,273,901,258	950,100,855	585,742,973	648,105,183	934,037,496	246,940,901	392,492,833	821,632,004	551,893,022	352,027,068	93,962,805	329,029,550	260,026,06
otal Industrial Market Vacancy Rate	5.8%	5.0%	5.8%	6.6%	3.4%	6.8%	2.7%	4.1%	3.2%	4.2%	5.4%	6.9%	4.1%	4.9%	6.5%
					3.470				5.276						
Cost of Business	Atlanta	Boston	Chicago	Dallas	Detroit	Houston	Los Angeles	Miami	Minneapolis	New York-Newark	Philadelphia	Phoenix	San Francisco	Seattle	D.C.
verall Cost of Doing Business Index (Average = 100)	92.1	127.3	99.4	96.0	97.6	98.7	116.4	113.5	101.8	155.9	99.1	102.8	174.0	107.3	112.7
ax Cost Component	72.2	82.8	78.2	59.9	96.8	62.7	92.6	80.4	98	108.4	87.6	75.2	88.6	79.2	75.9
State Doing Business Rankings	GA	МА	Ц	тх	мі	тх	СА	FL	MN	NY NJ	PA	AZ	СА	WA	DC
State Ranking: Top 20 States for Doing Business 2021	#1	not in top 20	not in top 20	#2	not in top 20	#2	#14	#10	not in top 20	NY: #19 NJ: not in top 20	not in top 20	#11	#14	not in top 20	not in top 20
State Ranking: Top 25 State Business Climates 2021	#2	not in top 25	#18(tie)	#3	#12(tie)	#3	not in top 25	#12(tie)	not in top 25	NY NJ: not in top 25	#22(tie)	#8(tie)	not in top 25	not in top 25	not in top 25
State Electricity Prices	GA	МА	IL.	тх	MI	тх	СА	FL	MN	NY NJ	PA	AZ	СА	WA	DC
All Sectors (avg price per kilowatt-hour)	10.59 ¢	19.17 ¢	10.20 ¢	9.31 ¢	12.95 ¢	9.31 ¢	19.76 ¢	10.75 ¢	11.12 ¢	16.14 14.1	10.00 ¢	10.72 ¢	19.76 ¢	8.78 ¢	12.84 ¢
lesidential (avg price per kilowatt-hour)	12.60 ¢	22.91 ¢	13.24 ¢	12.06 ¢	17.53 ¢	12.06 ¢	22.85 ¢	12.01 ¢	13.42 ¢	19.44 16.37	13.79 ¢	12.55 ¢	22.85 ¢	10.09 ¢	13.13 ¢
ommercial (avg price per kilowatt-hour)	10.79 ¢	17.16 ¢	9.70 ¢	8.89 ¢	12.27 ¢	8.89 ¢	19.21 ¢	9.55 ¢	11.16 ¢	16.14 12.81	8.92 ¢	10.30 ¢	19.21 ¢	9.23 ¢	13.02 ¢
ndustrial (avg price per kilowatt-hour)	6.69 ¢	15.31 ¢	7.36 ¢	6.27 ¢	7.77 ¢	6.27 ¢	15.14 ¢	7.81 ¢	8.43 ¢	6.33 10.79	6.58 ¢	6.78 ¢	15.14 ¢	5.81 ¢	7.75 ¢
State Taxes	GA	МА	IL	тх	мі	тх	СА	FL	MN	NY NJ	PA	AZ	СА	WA	DC
itate Ranking: State Corporate Tax Component	8	36	42	47	3	47	49	7	12	24 48	44	28	49	39	25
itate Corporate Income Tax (Jan. 1, 2022)	5.8%	8.0%	9.5%	47 none	6.0%	47 none	8.8%	5.5%	9.8%	6.5-7.25% 6.5-11%	10.0%	4.9%	8.8%	none	8.3%
itate Gross Receipts Tax (Jan. 1, 2022)*	none	none	none	0.331% - 0.75% Franchise (Margin) Tax	none	0.331% - 0.75% Franchise (Margin) Tax	none	none	none	none	none	none	none	0.13% - 3.3% Business & Occupation Tax (B&O)	none
State Individual Income Tax (Jan. 1, 2022)	1-5.75% (6 brackets)	5.00%	4.95%	none	4.25%	none	1-13.3% (10 brackets)	none	5.35% - 9.85% (4 brackets)	4-10.9% (9 brackets) 1.4- 10.75% (7 brackets)	3.07%	2.59-4.5% (4 brackets)	1-13.3% (10 brackets)	7.0% on capital gains income only	4-10.75% (7 brackets)
itate Sales Tax (Jan. 1, 2022)**	0.04	0.0625	0.0625	0.0625	0.06	0.0625	0.0725	0.06	0.06875	4% 6.625%	0.06	0.056	0.0725	0.065	0.06
State Unemployment Insurance	GA	МА	IL.	тх	мі	тх	CA	FL	MN	NY NJ	PA	AZ	СА	WA	DC
	\$9,500.00	\$15,000.00	\$12,960.00	\$9,000.00	None	\$9,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$38,000.00	\$12000 \$39000	\$10,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	\$62,500.00	\$9,000.00
Aximum Taxable Earnings	2.70%	2.42%	4.05%	2.70%	2.7%	2.70%	3.40%	2.70%	Industry Average	4.1% 2.8%	3.69%	2.00%	3.40%	Industry Average	2.70%
	2.70%														
New Employers Tax Rate (based on taxable wages)	2.70% Atlanta	Boston	Chicago	Dallas	Detroit	Houston	Los Angeles	Miami	Minneapolis	New York-Newark	Philadelphia	Phoenix	San Francisco	Seattle	D.C.
New Employers Tax Rate (based on taxable wages) Headquaters Fortune 500 (2022)	Atlanta 15	6	15	11	4	21	1	3	6	43	2	4	9	7	4
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Maximum Taxable Earnings New Employers Tax Rate (based on taxable wages) Headquaters Fortune 500 (2022) Fortune 1000 (2022) Fortune 1000 (2021)	Atlanta 15	6	15	11	4	21	1	3	6	43	2	4	9	7	4

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019 Population Estimates; 2019 American Community Survey; U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis retrieved from FRED, 2021; Woods & Poole Economics MSA Profile, 2021. U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 American Community Survey; JobsEQ, 2021. Higher education data (degrees awarded and students enrolled) for Atlanta includes the Atlanta and Athens MSAs. Source: The Tax Foundation, State Business Tax Climate Index 2020, Facts & Figures 2021. 'Gross Receipts taxes imposed at a low rate but on a wide base of transactions, resulting in high effective tax rates that can vary by industry. 'State sales tax rates indicated. City, county and municipal rates vary. Fortune, Inc. ADP, Fast Wage and Tax Facts 2021. Energy Information Administration, 2020 annual averages. C2ER Cost of Living Index 03 2021; realtor.com, January 2022. CoStar, 2019. Innovata Schedules via InterVISTAS, July 2019. U.S. Census Bureau, 2020 American Community Survey; JobsEQ, 2021. Higher education data (degrees awarded and students enrolled) for Atlanta includes the Atlanta and Athens MSAs. U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, 2020. U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics retrieved from FRED, 2021; U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, retrieved from FRED, 2021; U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2021. U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, 2021