

The ACCRA Cost of Living index consistently reports that it is less expensive to live in Dallas than the rest of the U.S. Dallas' total cost of living is 8.0% lower than the U.S. average

There is no personal or corporate income tax in Texas. Texas ranked 43rd among 50 states in total state and local tax burden in 2008. (Source: Tax Foundation)

The median sales price of an existing single family home in Dallas-Fort Worth was \$150,500 in the third quarter of 2009, according to the National Association of Realtors. This is the fifth lowest price in the largest 20 U.S. metro areas. The U.S. average was \$177,900.

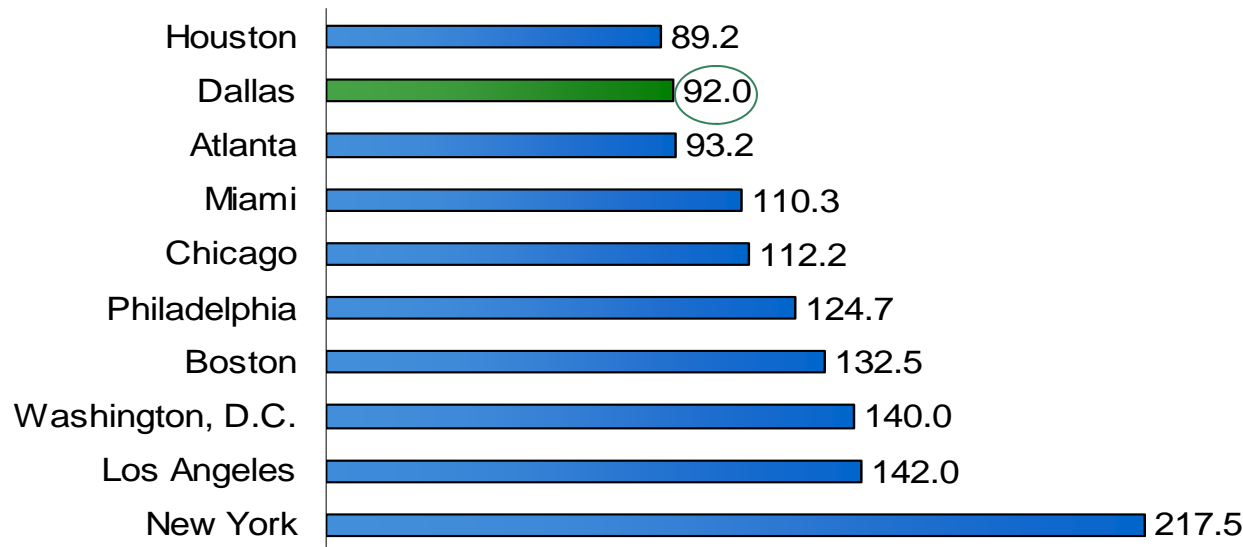
Because of the combination of low taxes, reasonable housing costs and low cost of living, Dallas residents enjoy a strong and competitive economic environment.

City of Dallas Cost of Living

<i>Item</i>	<i>U.S Average=100</i>
Total	92.0
<i>Grocery</i>	<i>91.2</i>
<i>Housing</i>	<i>69.5</i>
<i>Utilities</i>	<i>111.1</i>
<i>Transportation</i>	<i>103.6</i>
<i>Health</i>	<i>104.3</i>
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	<i>100.9</i>

Source: ACCRA 2009, Second Quarter.

Combined Cost of Living: Ten Largest Cities Areas



State Tax Per Capita in 2007

<i>U.S</i>	<i>\$ 2,570</i>
<i>Texas</i>	<i>\$ 1,836</i>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, State Government Tax Collections Report.