

HOUSTON, TEXAS

Relocation Guide



Welcome to Houston! This southeastern Texas city is a melting pot of culture, a gateway to the Gulf of Mexico and the fourth most populous city in the United States. Still growing today, this southern metropolis is known as a roomy and affordable place to live and offers endless activities and world-class accommodations.



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Living, Education & Childcare



Houston has historically been known as one of the most affordable big cities in the United States. Texas does not charge its residents income taxes, and the median home price as of the 2020 census was \$200,700. Weather is another attribute drawing new residents to this city. Temperatures rarely fall below freezing, with the averages staying between 47 and 95 degrees fahrenheit year round.

The Houston Independent School District (HISD) is the seventh largest in the nation, and it serves over 288 public schools. The online school rating calculator, Niche, gave this district an overall grade of B-, based on its ability to provide quality academics, teachers, clubs, diversity, college prep and administrations. Of these individual ratings, all received B's except for diversity, which received an A-.



Source: www.HoustonISD.org



Source: www.Lapetite.com

The average cost of after-school care in the state of Texas is lower than the national average at \$184.65 (based on 15 hours per week), but other forms of childcare can get more expensive. Still, Texas childcare costs fall below the top-10 most expensive states when compared nationally. It is also one of 40 states that utilizes a QRIS ranking system to evaluate child care providers, and in 2022, Texas rolled out a childcare subsidy plan to help qualified applicants cover related costs. Blossom Heights, First Friends, Little Blooms Academy and the Oaks are among the highest-rated daycares in the Houston Metro area.