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Wall Street Journal Places Lafayette #5 in U.S. for Remote Workers

LAFAYETTE, INDIANA – February 16, 2023 – The Wall Street Journal has named Lafayette as one of the top places in the country for remote workers according to a study released this week. Survey firm Ipsos conducted a nationwide poll to identify the top ten factors that people said they most cared about in a remote-work location. The Wall Street Journal then weighted those factors to come up with the list of cities and towns that fit those priorities.

Factors included high-speed internet access, housing prices and size, cost of living, unemployment, access to airports, and quality of life amenities such as availability of dining options, parks, entertainment and arts were some of the highest-weighted items. According to Stanford University economist Nicholas Bloom, about 13% of working Americans, or about 25 million individuals, are fully remote workers.

“We are delighted with the recognition from the Wall Street Journal as a place of choice for remote workers to call home,” states Lafayette Mayor Tony Roswarski. “We have encouraged sustainable growth and development on all levels as a way to welcome not only workforce members, but also students, young families and individuals, professionals and empty nesters. Our community offers public art and entertainment, trails, parks and recreation, affordable



housing, low taxes, a safe community and excellent public services. We welcome remote workers and look forward to becoming their home of choice.”

THE WALL STREET JOURNAL

Top 10 Places for Remote Workers

These locales top The Wall Street Journal ranking of great places to live if you can work from home

RANK	CITY, STATE (COUNTY)	HOUSEHOLDS WITH ACCESS TO 100 MBPS INTERNET	HOUSE PRICE*	LOWER COST OF LIVING (PERCENTILE)	AVERAGE HOUSE SIZE (SQ. FT.)	MONTHLY PRICE FOR HIGH-SPEED BROADBAND	UNEMPLOYMENT RATE	PROXIMITY TO AIRPORT (PERCENTILE)	RESTAURANTS PER HOUSEHOLD (PERCENTILE)
1	Springfield, MO (Greene)	100%	\$308,841	94th	1,850	\$32.80	2.15%	64th	87th
2	Joplin, MO (Jasper)	100%	\$203,240	97th	1,728	\$38.50	2.35%	22nd	66th
3	Evansville, IN (Vanderburgh)	100%	\$183,093	71st	1,739	\$40.00	2.87%	34th	81st
4	Conway, AR (Faulkner)	100%	\$288,450	95th	2,034	\$39.40	3.12%	71st	43rd
5	Lafayette, IN (Tippecanoe)	100%	\$318,498	87th	2,062	\$40.20	2.64%	48th	76th
6	Huntington, WV (Cabell)	100%	\$148,177	66th	1,683	\$33.00	3.70%	31st	92nd
7	Kansas City, KS (Wyandotte)	100%	\$191,207	100th	1,482	\$40.00	3.59%	86th	27th
8	St. Louis, MO	100%	\$184,125	41st	1,389	\$40.00	3.25%	89th	94th
9	Wichita, KS (Sedgwick)	100%	\$286,625	77th	2,067	\$49.90	3.06%	96th	69th
10	Fort Wayne, IN (Allen)	100%	\$281,856	74th	1,883	\$39.70	3.10%	85th	48th

*Reflects average of monthly median listing price, January-November 2022. Read more about our [methodology](#).

Sources: BroadbandNow.com; Center for Regional Economic Competitiveness; OurAirports.com; Realtor.com; Trust for Public Land; Moody's Investors Service; U.S. Census Bureau.

The Wall Street Journal article at https://www.wsj.com/articles/remote-workers-great-place-to-live-11675881131?st=e3xh9n3inn9f11p&reflink=desktopwebshare_permalink contains an interactive tool to identify your best fit for a great place to live.

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