

**Worldwide Quality of Living Survey 2006**

Base City: New York, USA (=100)

Rank 2006	Rank 2005	City	Country	Index 2006	Index 2005
1	1	ZURICH	Switzerland	108.2	108.0
2	2	GENEVA	Switzerland	108.1	107.9
3	3	VANCOUVER	Canada	107.7	107.4
4	3	VIENNA	Austria	107.5	107.4
5	8	AUCKLAND	New Zealand	107.3	106.5
6	5	DUSSELDORF	Germany	107.2	107.0
7	6	FRANKFURT	Germany	107.0	106.8
8	7	MUNICH	Germany	106.8	106.7
9	9	BERN	Switzerland	106.5	106.4
<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>SYDNEY</b>	<b>Australia</b>	<b>106.5</b>	<b>106.4</b>
11	11	COPENHAGEN	Denmark	106.2	106.2
12	14	WELLINGTON	New Zealand	105.8	105.0
13	12	AMSTERDAM	Netherlands	105.7	105.7
14	13	BRUSSELS	Belgium	105.6	105.6
15	16	TORONTO	Canada	105.4	104.9
16	16	BERLIN	Germany	105.1	104.9
<b>17</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>MELBOURNE</b>	<b>Australia</b>	<b>105.0</b>	<b>105.0</b>
18	18	LUXEMBOURG	Luxembourg	104.8	104.8
18	21	OTTAWA	Canada	104.8	104.3
20	19	STOCKHOLM	Sweden	104.7	104.7
<b>21</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>PERTH</b>	<b>Australia</b>	<b>104.5</b>	<b>104.5</b>
22	22	MONTREAL	Canada	104.3	104.0
23	22	NURNBERG	Germany	104.1	104.0
24	22	DUBLIN	Ireland	103.8	104.0
25	25	CALGARY	Canada	103.6	103.3
26	25	HAMBURG	Germany	103.4	103.3
27	25	HONOLULU, HI	United States	103.3	103.3
28	28	SAN FRANCISCO, CA	United States	103.2	103.2

29	29	ADELAIDE	Australia	103.1	103.1
29	29	HELSINKI	Finland	103.1	103.1
31	31	BRISBANE	Australia	102.8	103.0
31	32	OSLO	Norway	102.8	102.8
33	33	PARIS	France	102.7	102.7
34	35	SINGAPORE	Singapore	102.5	102.0
35	34	TOKYO	Japan	102.3	102.3
36	36	BOSTON, MA	United States	101.9	101.9
37	37	LYON	France	101.6	101.6
37	37	YOKOHAMA	Japan	101.6	101.6
39	39	LONDON	United Kingdom	101.2	101.2
40	40	KOBE	Japan	101.0	101.0
41	41	WASHINGTON, DC	United States	100.4	100.4
41	52	CHICAGO, IL	United States	100.4	99.3
43	42	PORTLAND, OR	United States	100.3	100.3
44	43	BARCELONA	Spain	100.2	100.2
45	44	MADRID	Spain	100.1	100.1
46	45	NEW YORK CITY, NY	United States	100.0	100.0
47	46	SEATTLE, WA	United States	99.9	99.9
48	47	LEXINGTON, KY	United States	99.8	99.8
49	48	PITTSBURGH, PA	United States	99.7	99.7
49	48	WINSTON SALEM, NC	United States	99.7	99.7
51	50	OSAKA	Japan	99.6	99.6
51	51	MILAN	Italy	99.6	99.4

..... ну вот, друзья «доигрались», к сожалению. Всё то, что Вы упорно не хотите замечать, всему тому чему пытаетесь блаженно верить – приняло своё выражение в реальные цифры и факты, от которых никуда не скрыться, к счастью, для кого-то, к сожалению!

Несколько дней назад было опубликовано ежегодное исследование компании *Mercer Human Resource Consulting* <http://www.mercerhr.com> , которое используется рядом крупнейших компаний для расчета компенсационных пакетов, предоставляемых своим сотрудникам в длительных зарубежных командировках.

Обзор охватил 235 города мира. Суммарный итоговый коэффициент высчитывался на основе сравнения 39 различных факторов, таких как: уровень экологии, уровень экономического развития, экологичности потребительских продуктов, социально-культурной обстановки, уровня медицинского обслуживания, доступности образования и т.д. При составлении этого рейтинга за основу берется уровень качества жизни в Нью-Йорке, который оценивается в 100 условных баллов.

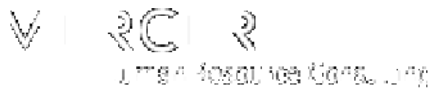
Вот – список 50-ти **самых благоприятных** городов Мира по качеству жизни и условиям человеческого проживания на 2006 год.

- Û *9 место – Сидней;*
- Û *17 место – Мельбурн;*
- Û *21 место – Перт;*
- Û *29 место – Аделаида;*
- Û *31 место – Брисбен!*

Как видите сами..... ни Москвы, ни Санкт-Петербурга, ни каких других Российских городов !!! Зато, **все пять крупных Австралийских городов (абсолютно все крупные города) в этом списке.**

Что дальше.....? А дальше - список 50-ти **самых дорогих** городов Мира на 2006 год (*приводятся дополнительные данные по 100 самым дорогих городов Мира*)

- Û *1 место - Москва – самый дорогой город в Мире!*
- Û *12 место - Санкт – Петербург;*
- Û *19 место – Сидней;*
- Û *74 место – Мельбурн;*
- Û *99 место – Брисбен.*


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## Quality of living survey

Do you have clear, objective information that establishes quality-of-living differences between cities around the world?

Can you easily assess competitive hardship allowances for your employees on international assignments? ("Hardship" refers to special compensation to expatriates who experience a significant deterioration in living conditions once transferred.)

Are you consistent when setting up your hardship allowances worldwide?

Can you justify the amount granted to your employees transferred abroad?

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## Mercer provides:

- n Tangible values for qualitative perceptions to establish an objective assessment of the quality of living for transfers between over 235 cities worldwide
- n Carefully selected factors representing widely accepted criteria to compare quality-of-living standards
- n An online **Quality-of-Living Calculator** that lets you customize the QOL index to your needs
- n An annual Quality-of-Living index and direct access to the detailed breakdown of the categories that form the resulting index

To encourage employee mobility and keep abreast of the competition, you need reliable information to help you calculate fair and consistent expatriate allowances. Based on 39 factors within 10 categories, our Quality-of-Living reports contain the key elements you need to calculate hardship allowances for transfers among over 235 cities worldwide. Our reports are based on a questionnaire developed by Mercer's professionals around the world, working in close cooperation with major multinational companies and experts in the field.

## Each report includes:

### Quality-of-Living introduction

Providing an outline of Mercer's approach to establishing quality-of-living differentials between cities including the survey methodology.

### City-to-city index comparison

Summarizing the difference in living standards between any two cities you choose. It also includes a total index and a sub-index for each of the these factors:

**Political and Social**

**Public Services**

Environment	and Transport
Economic	Recreation
Environment	Consumer Goods
Socio-Cultural	Housing
Environment	Natural
Medical and Health	Environment
Considerations	
Schools and	
Education	

### Score Sheet with up-to-date comments

Providing the information required to identify the difference in quality-of-living for each of the 39 factors evaluated. Up-to-date information enables you to identify a possible improvement or deterioration in the quality-of-living, thus helping you define appropriate conditions of expatriation and adjust hardship allowances.

### Recommended Quality-of-Living allowances

Mercer's recommended Quality-of-Living Allowance Grid lets you translate the quality-of-living index into percentage benefits and define competitive hardship allowances for locations where it is applicable.

If you are interested in Mercer's Quality-of-Living reports, you may find our [Cost-of-Living Reports](#) useful as well.

### Quality-of-Living Reports

available online through **Global**

### HRMonitor

Mercer's web-based application, **Global HRMonitor**, contains flexible calculators that allow you to tailor the information to your specific needs.

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