

Cost of Living

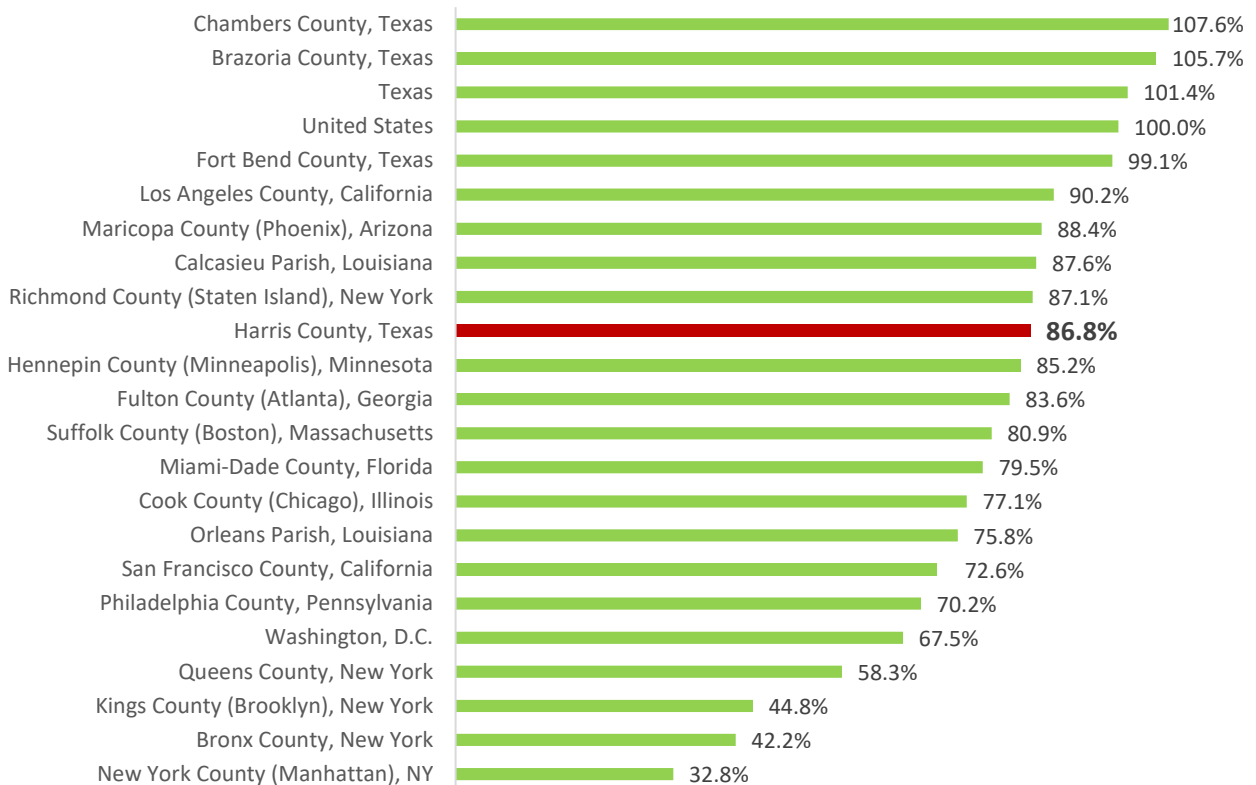
Harris County



Harris County's transportation costs contribute to an overall lower cost of living and higher quality of life.

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Transportation Cost Index



Harris County, Texas has transportation costs that are 13.2% lower than the national average, according to calculations based on the Economic Policy Institute's 2025 Family Budget Map. The Family Budget Map indicates that transportation costs for a two-parent, two-child family in Harris County are \$1,404 per month in 2025. These costs are estimated by adding up three major components of transportation costs: auto ownership, auto use, and transit use. The calculation includes work and nonsocial trips for the first adult in a household and only work trips for the second adult.

Harris County offers a plethora of options for transportation with four interstates, 23 miles of light rail, and over 80+ [METRO](#) bus routes.