



PAYCHECK TO PAYCHECK¹

Most to Least Expensive
HOMEOWNERSHIP MARKETS in 2009,
Rankings Compared with 2008

2009			2008	
Rank ²	Metro Area	Median Home Price	Rank ³	Median Home Price
1 MOST EXPENSIVE	San Francisco, CA	\$625,000	1	\$ 575,000
2	San Jose, CA	\$465,000	3	\$ 410,000
3	Honolulu, HI	\$450,000	4	\$ 400,000
4	Santa Ana, CA	\$435,000	7	\$ 388,000
5	Santa Cruz, CA	\$431,000	4	\$ 400,000
6	New York, NY	\$425,000	2	\$ 455,000
7	Suffolk-Nassau, NY	\$380,000	6	\$ 391,000
8	San Luis Obispo, CA	\$372,000	9	\$ 376,000
9	Napa, CA	\$360,000	11	\$ 356,000
10	Oxnard, CA	\$353,000	13	\$ 335,000
11	Bridgeport, CT	\$348,000	10	\$ 370,000
12	Ocean City, NJ	\$330,000	8	\$ 379,000
13	Cambridge, MA	\$326,000	17	\$ 316,000
14	Santa Rosa, CA	\$322,000	18	\$ 305,000
15	Los Angeles, CA	\$320,000	16	\$ 319,000
16	San Diego, CA	\$319,000	21	\$ 295,000
17	Newark, NJ	\$315,000	12	\$ 342,000
	Santa Barbara, CA	\$315,000	26	\$ 265,000
19	Bethesda, MD	\$311,000	15	\$ 329,000
20	Seattle, WA	\$303,000	14	\$ 335,000
21	Oakland, CA	\$301,000	22	\$ 281,000

¹ Data are from 4th quarter 2009 (the most recent available) and 4th quarter 2008.

² Rank in 2009 is out of 208 metropolitan areas.

³ Rank in 2008 is out of 207 metropolitan areas. Some numbers may appear more than once due to a tie in the rankings. Metropolitan areas not included in Paycheck to Paycheck for 2008 do not have rankings for that year.

22	Barnstable, MA	\$300,000	20	\$ 298,000
23	Boston, MA	\$290,000	23	\$ 280,000
24	Edison, NJ	\$285,000	19	\$ 304,000
	Washington, DC	\$285,000	24	\$ 276,000
	Boulder, CO	\$285,000	25	\$ 270,000
27	Flagstaff, AZ	\$251,000	29	\$ 252,000
28	Santa Fe, NM	\$248,000	27	\$ 258,000
29	Poughkeepsie, NY	\$235,000	28	\$ 257,000
	Salinas, CA	\$235,000	31	\$ 245,000
	Baltimore, MD	\$235,000	34	\$ 243,000
32	Bellingham, WA	\$232,000	32	\$ 245,000
	Bremerton, WA	\$232,000	36	\$ 237,000
34	Anchorage, AK	\$231,000	37	\$ 231,000
35	Portland, OR	\$230,000	33	\$ 245,000
36	Philadelphia, PA	\$227,000	30	\$ 249,000
37	Olympia, WA	\$225,000	35	\$ 243,000
38	Trenton, NJ	\$220,000	45	\$ 224,000
39	Rockingham-Strafford, NH	\$212,000	47	\$ 220,000
40	Naples, FL	\$210,000	38	\$ 230,000
	Chicago, IL	\$210,000	40	\$ 225,000
	Tacoma, WA	\$210,000	41	\$ 225,000
	Vallejo, CA	\$210,000	46	\$ 224,000
44	Sacramento, CA	\$209,000	56	\$ 208,000
45	Provo-Orem, UT	\$208,000	42	\$ 225,000
	Fort Collins, CO	\$208,000	49	\$ 217,000
47	Burlington, VT	\$206,000	57	\$ 208,000
	Denver, CO	\$206,000	70	\$ 193,000
49	Salt Lake City, UT	\$205,000	43	\$ 225,000
50	Portland, ME	\$203,000	53	\$ 211,000
51	Hartford, CT	\$202,000	58	\$ 205,000
52	Wilmington, DE	\$200,000	51	\$ 215,000
	Manchester, NH	\$200,000	60	\$ 202,000
	Virginia Beach, VA	\$200,000	66	\$ 199,000
	Norwich, CT	\$200,000	67	\$ 198,000
	Tallahassee, FL	\$200,000	109	\$ 156,000
57	Raleigh, NC	\$199,000	48	\$ 218,000
58	Worcester, MA	\$195,000	83	\$ 177,000
59	Richmond, VA	\$194,000	54	\$ 210,000
60	Eugene, OR	\$191,000	59	\$ 204,000
61	Camden, NJ	\$190,000	61	\$ 200,000
	Providence, RI	\$190,000	71	\$ 193,000

63	Madison, WI	\$189,000	62	\$ 200,000
64	Reno, NV	\$188,000	50	\$ 216,000
	Charleston, SC	\$188,000	73	\$ 190,000
66	Colorado Springs, CO	\$187,000	74	\$ 190,000
67	Miami, FL	\$185,000	44	\$ 225,000
68	New Haven, CT	\$183,000	68	\$ 195,000
69	Allentown, PA	\$182,000	55	\$ 210,000
70	Asheville, NC	\$180,000	72	\$ 193,000
71	Ogden, UT	\$179,000	63	\$ 200,000
72	Riverside, CA	\$177,000	64	\$ 200,000
73	Austin, TX	\$176,000	84	\$ 176,000
74	West Palm Beach, FL	\$175,000	52	\$ 213,000
	Redding, CA	\$175,000	69	\$ 195,000
	Salem, OR	\$175,000	77	\$ 182,000
	Fort Walton Beach, FL	\$175,000	85	\$ 176,000
	Albany, NY	\$175,000	87	\$ 172,000
79	Chico, CA	\$172,000	75	\$ 190,000
80	Minneapolis-St. Paul, MN	\$170,000	76	\$ 183,000
81	Albuquerque, NM	\$169,000	88	\$ 172,000
	Greeley, CO	\$169,000	99	\$ 164,000
83	Kennewick, WA	\$168,100	97	\$ 165,900
84	Durham, NC	\$167,000	91	\$ 169,000
85	Lancaster, PA	\$165,000	92	\$ 169,000
	Springfield, MA	\$165,000	105	\$ 158,000
87	Boise City, ID	\$163,000	65	\$ 200,000
	Tucson, AZ	\$163,000	89	\$ 170,000
89	Fresno, CA	\$162,000	90	\$ 170,000
	Yuba City, CA	\$162,000	95	\$ 166,000
91	Stockton, CA	\$161,000	86	\$ 175,000
92	Hagerstown, MD	\$160,000	78	\$ 180,000
93	Spokane, WA	\$159,000	94	\$ 167,000
	Pittsfield, MA	\$159,000	96	\$ 166,000
	Charlotte, NC	\$159,000	106	\$ 158,000
96	Atlantic, NJ	\$158,000	39	\$ 226,000
97	Salisbury, MD	\$158,000	110	\$ 156,000
98	New Orleans, LA	\$157,900	114	\$ 154,900
99	Baton Rouge, LA	\$157,400	108	\$ 156,400
100	Ithaca, NY	\$157,000	101	\$ 160,000
	Milwaukee, WI	\$157,000	102	\$ 160,000
	Gainesville, FL	\$157,000	112	\$ 155,000
103	Dallas, TX	\$154,000	113	\$ 155,000

104	Reading, PA	\$150,000	111	\$ 155,100
	Atlanta, GA	\$150,000	115	\$ 153,000
106	Shreveport, LA	\$149,300	130	\$ 139,200
107	Houston, TX	\$147,000	116	\$ 150,000
108	Harrisburg, PA	\$146,000	119	\$ 146,000
109	San Antonio, TX	\$145,000	120	\$ 146,000
	Vineland, NJ	\$145,000	123	\$ 144,000
111	Birmingham, AL	\$144,300	134	\$ 135,400
112	Phoenix, AZ	\$144,000	100	\$ 161,000
113	Des Moines, IA	\$143,400	117	\$ 149,700
114	Visalia, CA	\$143,000	93	\$ 169,000
115	Orlando, FL	\$142,000	79	\$ 180,000
116	Madera, CA	\$141,000	103	\$ 160,000
	Modesto, CA	\$141,000	104	\$ 160,000
118	Lexington, KY	\$140,700	131	\$ 138,200
119	Jacksonville, FL	\$140,000	98	\$ 165,000
	Columbia, SC	\$140,000	129	\$ 140,000
121	Fargo, ND	\$139,800	128	\$ 140,100
122	Kansas City, MO	\$139,500	140	\$ 131,000
123	Cedar Rapids, IA	\$139,400	133	\$ 136,900
124	Greenville, SC	\$139,000	127	\$ 142,000
125	Sarasota, FL	\$138,000	80	\$ 178,100
	Pensacola, FL	\$138,000	132	\$ 138,000
	Knoxville, TN	\$138,000	135	\$ 135,000
	Greensboro, NC	\$138,000	139	\$ 132,000
129	Las Vegas, NV	\$137,000	81	\$ 178,000
	Sioux Falls, SD	\$137,000	126	\$ 142,400
131	Ann Arbor, MI	\$136,000	107	\$ 157,000
132	Bakersfield, CA	\$135,000	124	\$ 144,000
	Champaign-Urbana, IL	\$135,000	144	\$ 130,000
134	Corpus Christi, TX	\$134,000	145	\$ 130,000
	St. Louis, MO	\$134,000	155	\$ 126,000
136	Little Rock, AR	\$132,400	157	\$ 125,200
137	Fort Lauderdale, FL	\$132,000	82	\$ 178,000
	Fayetteville, NC	\$132,000	170	\$ 117,000
139	Jackson, MS	\$131,900	153	\$ 126,600
140	Green Bay, WI	\$131,600	118	\$ 146,600
141	El Paso, TX	\$131,000	141	\$ 131,000
	Tulsa, OK	\$131,000	142	\$ 131,000
143	Lincoln, NE	\$130,500	138	\$ 133,100
144	Omaha, NE	\$130,400	151	\$ 129,700

145	Fort Worth, TX	\$130,000	143	\$ 131,000
146	Amarillo, TX	\$129,000	171	\$ 116,000
147	Gulfport, MS	\$128,200	152	\$ 129,500
148	Winston-Salem, NC	\$127,000	146	\$ 130,000
	Columbus, OH	\$127,000	161	\$ 124,000
150	Montgomery, AL	\$126,200	154	\$ 126,300
151	Mobile, AL	\$125,500	158	\$ 125,000
152	Tampa, FL	\$125,000	125	\$ 144,000
	Chattanooga, TN	\$125,000	162	\$ 123,000
	Cincinnati, OH	\$125,000	163	\$ 123,000
	Louisville, KY	\$125,000	167	\$ 120,000
156	Gary, IN	\$124,500	172	\$ 115,100
157	Charleston, WV	\$123,200	160	\$ 124,800
158	Palm Bay, FL	\$123,000	136	\$ 135,000
159	Daytona Beach, FL	\$122,000	121	\$ 145,000
	Oklahoma City, OK	\$122,000	164	\$ 123,000
161	Spartanburg, SC	\$121,200	166	\$ 120,800
162	Pueblo, CO	\$121,000	175	\$ 113,000
163	Memphis, TN	\$120,000	168	\$ 120,000
164	Wichita, KS	\$119,000	165	\$ 121,000
165	Merced, CA	\$117,000	147	\$ 130,000
	Warren, MI	\$117,000	159	\$ 125,000
167	Pittsburgh, PA	\$116,000	173	\$ 115,000
168	Rochester, NY	\$115,000	176	\$ 112,000
169	Waterloo, IA	\$113,700	181	\$ 105,200
170	Peoria, IL	\$112,000	137	\$ 134,000
171	Springfield, IL	\$111,000	178	\$ 108,000
172	Duluth, MN	\$110,000	174	\$ 115,000
	Cleveland, OH	\$110,000	185	\$ 100,000
174	Springfield, MO	\$109,900	169	\$ 117,100
175	Rockford, IL	\$109,000	177	\$ 110,000
176	Port St. Lucie, FL	\$107,000	122	\$ 145,000
	Punta Gorda, FL	\$107,000	148	\$ 130,000
	Kalamazoo, MI	\$107,000	179	\$ 107,000
179	Beaumont, TX	\$106,000	180	\$ 107,000
	Indianapolis, IN	\$106,000	183	\$ 103,000
	Grand Rapids, MI	\$106,000	184	\$ 102,000
182	Buffalo, NY	\$105,000	186	\$ 100,000
183	Erie, PA	\$103,000	188	\$ 95,000
184	Monroe, MI	\$102,000	149	\$ 130,000
	Topeka, KS	\$102,000	182	\$ 104,800

186	Akron, OH	\$100,000	190	\$ 90,000
187	Syracuse, NY	\$99,000	194	\$ 88,000
188	Scranton, PA	\$98,000	197	\$ 85,000
189	Brownsville, TX	\$97,000	187	\$ 97,000
190	Ocala, FL	\$95,000	156	\$ 126,000
	Dayton, OH	\$95,000	191	\$ 90,000
192	Cape Coral, FL	\$94,000	150	\$ 130,000
193	Fort Wayne, IN	\$93,500	193	\$ 88,600
194	Davenport, IA	\$93,000	189	\$ 92,000
	Toledo, OH	\$93,000	195	\$ 87,000
196	Lansing, MI	\$90,000	196	\$ 86,000
197	South Bend, IN	\$88,400	200	\$ 80,800
198	Saginaw, MI	\$87,000	206	\$ 73,000
199	Mansfield, OH	\$86,000	NA	NA
	Detroit, MI	\$86,000	192	\$ 90,000
201	Flint, MI	\$85,000	198	\$ 82,000
202	Canton, OH	\$84,000	199	\$ 82,000
203	Lima, OH	\$78,000	204	\$ 75,000
204	Bay City, MI	\$77,000	201	\$ 78,000
	Springfield, OH	\$77,000	202	\$ 77,000
206	Youngstown, OH	\$76,000	207	\$ 73,000
207	Battle Creek, MI	\$75,000	203	\$ 77,000
208 LEAST EXPENSIVE	Wheeling, WV	\$72,000	205	\$ 75,000