



**QUALITY OF LIFE**

**Dallas and Dallas-Fort Worth Area**

**Climate**

Temperature	January	July
Average	44.1 F	85.0 F
High	54.1 F	95.4 F
Low	34.0 F	74.6 F
	<b>Annual Average</b>	
Rainfall in Inches	34.73	
Snowfall in Inches	2.6	
Wind Speed in Miles per Hour (Annual Average)	10.7	
Number of Days Sunny or Partly Sunny	223	
Elevation (Mean Feet Above Sea Level)	512	
<i>Source: National Climatic Data Center.</i>		

**Housing**

North Texas Housing	Single Family, Existing	Townhouses & Condominiums
Median Selling Price	\$146,400	\$130,130
<i>Source: NTREIS, December 2006</i>		
	<b>Apartments</b>	
Average Rent	\$717	
Apartment Vacancy %	7.2%	
<i>Source: M/PF Yieldstar, Q3 2006</i>		

**Dallas Public Library**

2004 Fiscal Year	
Facilities	1 central library, 23 branches and 1 bookmobile
Items in Circulation	6,143,651
Circulation Transactions	6,053,845
Public Access Computers	464
<i>Source: City of Dallas.</i>	

**Cost of Living**

	First Quarter 2005	Ranking Among Largest Metro Areas
Dallas	91.7	19
<i>Source: ACCRA Cost of Living Index.</i>		

**Crime**

	2004	2005	2006*
Violent Crime	16,165	15,429	15,058
Property Crime	94,066	88,955	85,592
Burglary	23,126	22,363	21,653
Larceny-Theft	55,059	52,315	50,009
Motor Vehicle Theft	15,881	14,277	13,930

*\*Preliminary  
Source: FBI, Uniform Crime Reports.*



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Sports

College & Professional Teams	College	Professional	
	Division I	Major	Minor
Football	SMU, TCU, UNT	Dallas Cowboys	Dallas Desperados
Baseball	TCU, UT-A	Texas Rangers	Frisco Roughriders, Fort Worth Cats
Basketball	SMU, TCU, UT-A, UNT	Dallas Mavericks	NBDL Fort Worth Flyers
Hockey		Dallas Stars	Fort Worth Brahmas
Soccer	SMU, TCU, UNT	FC Dallas	

Source: City of Dallas.

Culture

Selected Dallas Area Museums	Selected Dallas Area Performing Arts	Nearby State Parks	City of Dallas Parks & Recreation
<a href="#">African American Museum at Fair Park</a>	<a href="#">Arts District Theater</a>	Acton State Historical Park	Bachman Recreation Center
<a href="#">American Airlines C. R. Smith Museum</a>	<a href="#">Bass Performance Hall</a>	Bonham State Park	<a href="#">Bark Park Central</a>
<a href="#">Cavanaugh Flight Museum</a>	<a href="#">Bruton Theatre - Dallas Convention Center Theatre</a>	Cedar Hill State Park	<a href="#">Dallas Aquarium at Fair Park</a>
<a href="#">Crow Collection of Asian Art</a>	<a href="#">Dallas Chamber Music Society</a>	Cleburne State Park	<a href="#">Dallas Arboretum</a>
<a href="#">Dallas Center for Contemporary Art</a>	<a href="#">Dallas Opera, The</a>	Confederate Reunion Grounds State Historical Park	<a href="#">White Rock Lake Dog Park</a>
<a href="#">Dallas Children's Museum</a>	<a href="#">Dallas Summer Musicals, Inc.</a>	Dinosaur Valley State Park	<a href="#">Cedar Ridge Preserve</a>
<a href="#">Dallas Museum of Art</a>	<a href="#">Dallas Symphony Orchestra, The</a>	Eisenhower Birthplace State Historical Park	<a href="#">Dallas Zoo</a>
<a href="#">Dallas Museum of Natural History</a>	<a href="#">Dallas Theater Center</a>	Eisenhower State Park	<a href="#">Fair Park</a>
<a href="#">Fair Park Dallas</a>	<a href="#">Dallas Wind Symphony</a>	Fairfield Lake State Park	<a href="#">Kiest Park Softball</a>
<a href="#">Frontiers of Flight Museum</a>	<a href="#">Granada Theater</a>	Fort Parker State Park	<a href="#">Texas Discovery Gardens</a>
<a href="#">International Museum of Cultures</a>	<a href="#">Ice House Cultural Center</a>	Fort Richardson State Historical Park & Lost Creek Reservoir State Trailway	<a href="#">White Rock Lake</a>
<a href="#">Kimbell Art Museum</a>	<a href="#">Irving's Art Center</a>	Governor Hogg Shrine Historical Park	374 neighborhood, community and regional parks
<a href="#">McKinney Avenue Contemporary (The MAC)</a>	<a href="#">Latino Cultural Center</a>	Lake Bob Sandlin State Park	258 tennis courts
<a href="#">Meadows Museum, Fine Art</a>	<a href="#">Majestic Theatre</a>	Lake Mineral Wells State Park & Trailway	183 playgrounds



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<a href="#">Modern Art Museum of Fort Worth</a>	<a href="#">Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center</a>	Lake Tawakoni State Park - Access Only by Special Request	128 soccer fields
<a href="#">Nasher Sculpture Center</a>	<a href="#">NOKIA Theatre at Grand Prairie</a>	Lake Whitney State Park	321 multipurpose fields
<a href="#">National Cowgirl Museum and Hall of Fame</a>	<a href="#">Six Flags Music Mill Amphitheater</a>	Meridian State Park	87 softball diamonds
<a href="#">Old City Park: The Historical Village of Dallas</a>	<a href="#">Smirnoff Music Centre</a>	Mother Neff State Park	<a href="#">22 community and 4 neighborhood pools</a>
<a href="#">Science Place Planetarium - Fair Park</a>	<a href="#">Texas Ballet Theater</a>	Historical Park - Operated by the City of	71 sandlots
<a href="#">The Women's Museum</a>		Possum Kingdom State Park	<a href="#">47 recreation centers</a>
		Purtis Creek State Park	12 football fields
		Ray Roberts Lake State Park	30 baseball diamonds
		Sam Bell Maxey House State Historical Park	<a href="#">6 18-hole golf courses</a>
		Tyler State Park	3 golf course driving ranges
<i>Source: City of Dallas.</i>			<a href="#">5 tennis centers</a>