What Factors Affect Your Where...

Result Details



If you couldn't drag your answers into rank order on the previous question, please list the 3 factors that most affect your retirement decision here. If you have additional comments about what drives your where to retire decision, enter them here

Answers **251** 33%

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| 200,943,522 | We have lived on this piece of land for 45 years. We have allowed it to become a nature reserve that delights us daily. This is a lifestyle that is hard to replace. | Yesterday, 3:35PM |
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| 200,917,816 | 13. 12. 4. Although climate and weather as a factor. | Sunday, Jul 15th 10:58PM |
| 200,912,154 | 12, 13, 4 | Sunday, Jul 15th 4:19PM |
| 200,909,241 | Ability to do favorite activities Low cost of taxes Weather and climate | Sunday, Jul 15th 1:14PM |
| 200,905,022 | Years ago we were looking to move to a foreign country to escape issues in the U.S. that we didn't care for. We ended up settling in Las Cruces NM. We liked to say that we moved to a foreign country without leaving the US. It is a very culturally tolerant and fairly liberal city with an excellent local government. Cost of living is great and transportation better than if we were in a foreign country. | Sunday, Jul 15th 9:19AM |
| 200,904,008 | Closer to warmer weather; easy cost of living; less tax burden and close to family and friends | Sunday, Jul 15th 8:25AM |
| 200,897,969 | Family and friends. Medical. Climate and weather. | Sunday, Jul 15th 12:37AM |
| 200,892,036 | Climate, cost of living, ability to do favorite activities, friendliness and acceptability of people in the community. | Saturday, Jul 14th 5:04PM |
| 200,887,569 | Low cost of living Ability to do favorite activities Climate change | Saturday, Jul 14th 12:27PM |
| 200,886,776 | All of these are important. While I want to remain close to family and friends, I wouldn't move to a high crime area, or a place with poor walkability, or where I couldn't go to the movies now and then, or catch an uber, get to a doctor, etc. Taxes would be an issue if they were dramatically higher than what I'm paying now. Same with political environment. I wouldn't consider moving someplace that wasn't favorable for all the options on your list. So, if every other item on the list were happily checked off, but the closest hospital or medical center was 50 miles away, I'd strike the town off my list. This question is a lot like asking people to rank their fingers by which are their three favorites. We want to have them all and would desperately miss any that disappeared. | Saturday, Jul 14th 11:29AM |
| 200,885,113 | Near family Weather More affordable | Saturday, Jul 14th 9:52AM |
| 200,884,802 | Other option: we are missionaries-programs accessibility. Low cost of living. Climate and Weather. | Saturday, Jul 14th 9:28AM |
| 200,877,987 | Low taxes, affordability, low crime rate. | Saturday, Jul 14th 1:35AM |

| 200,873,260 | Climate,cost,medical | Friday, Jul 13th 8:03PM |
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| 200,870,101 | don't like a lot of bugs! | Friday, Jul 13th 4:39PM |
| 200,869,921 | 1,5,7 No desire to move or live anywhere else. | Friday, Jul 13th 5:13PM |
| 200,866,870 | Comfortable housing Many other retirees reasonable cost of living | Friday, Jul 13th 3:01PM |
| 200,864,017 | Quality medical care. Low cost of living. Affordable housing. Ability to do the things we enjoy. Recreational activities. Cultural opportunities. Proximity to family and friends. Climate. | Friday, Jul 13th 1:17PM |
| 200,862,495 | If we had not been moved south by work, then we would have searched for a southern city, climat being very important. | Friday, Jul 13th 10:56AM |
| 200,859,954 | Will my pension and social security be taxed? Access to GOOD healthcare. Cost of living/low crime rate. | Friday, Jul 13th 11:36AM |
| 200,851,838 | Family/friends Climate Taxes | Friday, Jul 13th 8:27AM |
| 200,851,263 | I live in NJ so living here on a fixed income will be next to impossible. Taxes and cost of living will be my primary concerns, which will lead me to the southeast. We love South Carolina but climate change will be a big factor in where we settle down. | Friday, Jul 13th 8:15AM |
| 200,851,251 | I live in NJ so living here on a fixed income will be next to impossible. Taxes and cost of living will be my primary concerns, which will lead me to the southeast. We love South Carolina but climate change will be a big factor in where we settle down. | Friday, Jul 13th 7:57AM |
| 200,851,011 | 6, 12, 09 | Friday, Jul 13th 8:05AM |
| 200,823,472 | Natural beauty of the state so we can hike and bike Nice people we have met crime | Thursday, Jul 12th 4:46PM |
| 200,821,929 | Cost of living Weather Location | Thursday, Jul 12th 3:57PM |
| 200,819,910 | Low cost of living , taxes, climate , near family , | Thursday, Jul 12th 2:48PM |
| 200,814,414 | Accessibility to public transportation and use of green energy. | Thursday, Jul 12th 11:24AM |
| 200,813,496 | Climate/cost of living Medical options Tayon | Thursday, Jul 12th |

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| 200,811,632 | 1-Family or friends 2-walkability 3-taxes | Thursday, Jul 12th 9:57AM |
| 200,810,433 | Taxes climatecost of living | Thursday, Jul 12th 9:22AM |
| 200,810,101 | 1,3,5 | Thursday, Jul 12th 9:11AM |
| 200,809,474 | affordabiliy taxes walkability low crime climate & weather | Thursday, Jul 12th 8:50AM |
| 200,808,398 | Climate/weather Taxes Ability to do favorite activities | Thursday, Jul 12th 8:35AM |
| 200,806,577 | A place where it doesn't snow and has plenty of things to do, has restaurants, diversity, and transportation. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 10:39PM |
| 200,806,566 | Taxesclimatecost of living | Thursday, Jul 12th 7:23AM |
| 200,806,417 | Activities, walk ability, taxes | Thursday, Jul 12th 7:09AM |
| 200,806,221 | Climate and weather Low cost of living Political environment | Thursday, Jul 12th 7:06AM |
| 200,804,460 | no taxes on retirement income proximity to grocery shopping and other amenities low traffic congestion | Thursday, Jul 12th 5:47AM |
| 200,804,445 | Handicapped adult child services | Thursday, Jul 12th 5:40AM |
| 200,804,252 | Taxes Crime Medical | Thursday, Jul 12th 5:38AM |
| 200,802,566 | Taxes, low crime, low cost of living | Thursday, Jul 12th 4:11AM |
| 200,799,900 | Close to friends, low cost of living, less crime and good weather | Thursday, Jul 12th 2:13AM |
| 200,799,379 | Climate/weather; ability to do activities; availability of medical | Thursday, Jul 12th 1:49AM |
| 200,798,529 | My "Other Option": Always have wanted to live by the sea. I figure retirement should be about realizing some of the dreams you've had for a lifetime (and never seem to have realized before now). | Thursday, Jul 12th 12:26AM |
| 200,797,857 | Cost of living # 1 Taxes #2 Climate change #3 | Thursday, Jul 12th 12:09AM |
| 200,797,701 | 10,4,7 I am in my comfort zone here as I have lived here for 61 years . Not sure I would want to move now as I am alone now. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 11:54PM |

| 200,796,674 | Other option. Availability of churches | Wednesday, Jul 11th 11:00PM |
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| 200,796,357 | Low cost of living Climate and weather Ability to do favorite things | Wednesday, Jul 11th 10:21PM |
| 200,796,009 | Climate and weather Near family and friends Taxes | Wednesday, Jul 11th 10:21PM |
| 200,795,891 | Climates Family Activities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 10:12PM |
| 200,795,811 | These are also important: Being near family and/or friends cultural opportunities political environment | Wednesday, Jul 11th 10:11PM |
| 200,795,677 | Family, medical,taxes | Wednesday, Jul 11th 9:58PM |
| 200,794,761 | Low cost of living. Low crime rate. Availability of medical. Near family or friends. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 8:54PM |
| 200,794,627 | Low crime Cost of living Walk and bike friendly | Wednesday, Jul 11th 9:07PM |
| 200,794,570 | \$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$ | Wednesday, Jul 11th 9:04PM |
| 200,794,437 | Climate and weather, no natural disasters & extreme weather, and GOOD medical (research, geriatric, etc) facilities (not just available medical) | Wednesday, Jul 11th 8:22PM |
| 200,794,270 | Climate and weather, cultural activities, low cost of living | Wednesday, Jul 11th 8:45PM |
| 200,794,019 | Walkability Climate and weather Cultural opportunities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 8:34PM |
| 200,793,911 | Taxes,climate, family | Wednesday, Jul 11th 8:30PM |
| 200,793,615 | Low Cost of living, medical, climate | Wednesday, Jul 11th 8:12PM |
| 200,793,509 | 1. Climate 2. Low cost of living 3. Cultural opportunities 4. Walkability/Bikability 5. Ability to do favorite activities 6. Taxes 7. Low cost of living 8. Availability of medical 9. Political environment 10. Low Crime rates 11. Transportation 12. Climate change 13. Other (Group activities, friendship opportunities) | Wednesday, Jul 11th 7:57PM |
| 200 702 460 | Low cost of living | Wednesday, Jul 11th |

| 200,793,400 | Cultural opportunities | 8:07PM |
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| | Other option. Beauty of scenery. | O.U/FIVI |
| 200,793,408 | Climate and weather - moving away from the hurricanes in Florida to the mountains of North Carolina, with four seasons but mild winters. Want a moderate sized city with cultural opportunities and ability to do outdoor activities like hiking and kayaking on a lake. I'm moving to Asheville, NC from Miami, FL. I will move a few years before retirement and work remotely from there. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 7:57PM |
| 200,793,352 | My wife will retire 5-8 years after I retire (which is in 2-4 years). It's hard to predict what will influence our moving decisions that far into the future (that's 7-12 years out by the time she retires). | Wednesday, Jul 11th 7:57PM |
| 200,792,925 | taxes low cost of living cultural opportunities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 7:35PM |
| 200,792,868 | Climate Family Do favorite things | Wednesday, Jul 11th 7:37PM |
| 200,792,237 | Near Family, Taxes, Ability to do favorite activities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 7:23PM |
| 200,792,215 | 1. Taxes, 2. Cost of living 3. Medical, 4. Culture, 5. Quality of life | Wednesday, Jul 11th 7:19PM |
| 200,792,176 | We'd like to live in a planned community with the usual amenities - but NOT Golf. We think the cost of maintaining golf club environments will become burdensome and a low value add for us since we don't play. We'd also like to be near enough water for boating and near a small/municipal airport to support my aviation activities. We also prefer a community that is not age restricted and offers a variety of single level detached homes that are not 'cookie cutter' and jammed into small lots like sardines. We've been looking for this needle in a haystack for over a year and have yet to hit the bulls-eye. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 7:07PM |
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| 200,792,031 | Taxes, climate, low cost of living, insane liberals running this state getting out of ny state! | 7:09PM |
| 200,792,031 | Taxes Low cost of living Climate | |
| | Taxes Low cost of living | 7:09PM Wednesday, Jul 11th |
| 200,791,870 | Taxes Low cost of living Climate Low crime Low cost of living | 7:09PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 7:09PM Wednesday, Jul 11th |
| 200,791,870 | Taxes Low cost of living Climate Low crime Low cost of living Available medical Climate and weather Taxes | 7:09PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 7:09PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 6:48PM Wednesday, Jul 11th |
| 200,791,870 200,791,344 200,790,950 | Taxes Low cost of living Climate Low crime Low cost of living Available medical Climate and weather Taxes Ability to do favorite activities Climate and weather Taxes | 7:09PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 7:09PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 6:48PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 6:26PM |
| 200,791,870 200,791,344 200,790,950 200,790,947 | Taxes Low cost of living Climate Low crime Low cost of living Available medical Climate and weather Taxes Ability to do favorite activities Climate and weather Taxes Ability to do favorite activities | 7:09PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 7:09PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 6:48PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 6:26PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 6:26PM |
| 200,791,870 200,791,344 200,790,950 200,790,947 | Taxes Low cost of living Climate Low crime Low cost of living Available medical Climate and weather Taxes Ability to do favorite activities Climate and weather Taxes Ability to do favorite activities Want to be near family but also have concerns about dealing with severe weather (I've been living in a mild climate for over 20 years). Being in a small-ish city is important but I also need to be near good medical care. Do not want to live in a large city anymore because of the horrendous traffic. | 7:09PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 7:09PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 6:48PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 6:26PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 6:26PM Wednesday, Jul 11th 6:19PM |

| 200,790,180 | Weather, activities, scenery, golf, walking | Wednesday, Jul 11th 5:57PM |
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| 200,789,854 | To be near family Taxes (there is no state tax in FL, and our pensions and Social Security are not taxed!) Ability to do favorite activities - we like to walk (we belong to 2 Walking Clubs), go to the beach to look for shells, swim, read (the public libraries are pretty good!), opportunities to volunteer. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 5:42PM |
| 200,789,792 | 3,9,10 | Wednesday, Jul 11th 5:24PM |
| 200,789,761 | Low taxes, low crime ,availability of medical. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 5:40PM |
| 200,789,665 | Climate and weather Ability to do favorite activities Low cost of living Political environment | Wednesday, Jul 11th 5:40PM |
| 200,789,621 | Low crime, low cost of living. Climate | Wednesday, Jul 11th 5:38PM |
| 200,789,560 | Family, culture, activities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 5:29PM |
| 200,789,392 | Tired of hurricanes in Florida. Want a place on southeast with mild winters. Want a small town atmosphere. Tired of traffic and over developing of Sarasota area. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 5:25PM |
| 200,789,354 | less concrete near the beachesno high rise hotels/condos and lots of greenspace in the community. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 5:19PM |
| 200,789,347 | Near family, climate warm winters, low taxes | Wednesday, Jul 11th 5:29PM |
| 200,789,287 | Near family, cost of living, medical care | Wednesday, Jul 11th 5:27PM |
| 200,788,740 | medical,low crime rates, transportation | Wednesday, Jul 11th 5:06PM |
| 200,788,560 | Climate weather, low cost of living, walkability | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:56PM |
| 200,788,106 | Most important is to live in an area that is artsy, has cultural offerings, offers change of seasons, outdoor avtivities, and relatively inexpensive. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:35PM |
| 200,787,749 | Weather and warm climate Low cost of living Taxes - and low crime rates too | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:09PM |
| 200,787,546 | Climate Safety Walkabilty | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:23PM |
| 200,787,497 | Low cost of living, climate, pension friendly taxes | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:25PM |
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| 200,787,496 | Low cost of living, climate, pension friendly taxes | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:20PM |

| 200,787,313 | Taxes (State, Real Estate/Property & Sales) Low cost of leaving | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:09PM |
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| 200,787,264 | Taxes, medical, activities. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:15PM |
| 200,787,223 | Mostly climate, snow birds. Safety Near friends | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:08PM |
| 200,787,184 | I listed other as my # 3 choice, meaning I will love living in the mountains and living on the water. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:04PM |
| 200,787,169 | Favorite Activities, Climatelow cost | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:10PM |
| 200,787,125 | We planned to retire to the Pacific Northwest (from Texas) for 30 years because it is such a beautiful place to live and is not extremely hot or extremely cold!! We find it to be just right and absolutely love living here!!! It most certainly was the right choice for us!! | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:01PM |
| 200,787,096 | Climate and weather Walkability Taxes | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:03PM |
| 200,787,060 | 3, 10, 12 | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:08PM |
| 200,786,987 | 5, 7 , 13 | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:04PM |
| 200,786,933 | #1 Weather , #2 taxes & #3 cost of living . | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:00PM |
| 200,786,923 | 2, 3 and 9 | Wednesday, Jul 11th 4:03PM |
| 200,786,915 | Walkability bikability Ability to do favorite activities Climate and Weather | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:56PM |
| 200,786,750 | I am retiring to Coloradoto be near family- i want to stay active & I think that is how the folks in Colorado are naturally. I love the West & am near many of the national & state parks I have left to see. I also see many volunteer options. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:53PM |
| 200,786,640 | 1. Near family and friends 2. Availability of medical 3. Ability to do favorite activities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:48PM |
| 200,786,638 | 1. Taxes 2. Climate and weather 3. Low cost of living | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:50PM |
| 200,786,624 | 6)Near family, granddaughter! 1) low cost living 11) do favorite activity, fishing! | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:43PM |
| 200,786,510 | My additional factor is: Not being too far from relatives. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:25PM |
| 200,786,467 | 1 Climate and weather 2 beauty of environment 3 proximity to interesting destinations 4 complete opposite of suburban | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:41PM |
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| 200,786,381 | political environment, cost of living, availability of medical | 3:36PM |
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| 200,786,352 | I retired to where i spent many vacations since I was 17. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:39PM |
| 200,786,265 | Whether, cost, activities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:35PM |
| 200,786,263 | Taxes, climate and weather, and political environment | Wednesday, Jul 11th |
| 200,786,206 | 1.Ability to do favorite activities 2.low crime rate 3.Climate and wrather | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:30PM |
| 200,785,967 | Medical Cost of living Climate Political | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:20PM |
| 200,785,825 | My "other option" is small, college town, not a suburb but distant from a major population center. Equidistant from kids/grandkids. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:12PM |
| 200,785,633 | Medical Weather Low cost of living Low crime | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:05PM |
| 200,785,594 | 10, 3, 11 | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:01PM |
| 200,785,444 | weather,cost of living, taxes, want a good environment and easy living, inexpensively | Wednesday, Jul 11th 3:00PM |
| 200,785,347 | Climate Taxes Outdoor activities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 2:58PM |
| 200,785,274 | Climate and weather Low cost living Walk/bike ability | Wednesday, Jul 11th 2:53PM |
| 200,785,193 | Climate and weather Water Low taxes Favorite activities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:21PM |
| 200,785,158 | Climate and weather Low cost of living Low crime rates | Wednesday, Jul 11th 2:45PM |
| 200,785,116 | 4. Cultural and the Arts in area | Wednesday, Jul 11th 2:47PM |
| 200,784,986 | am gradually losing my sight (macular degeneration), so immediate concern is where I can live and still get around (driving licenses are very restrictive in some states). Next concern is where I can live once I can no longer drive, and ultimately, where I can find an affordable assisted living community that offers a reasonable quality of living. Major factors for me: availability of medical services & cultural/educational/social activities, effects of climate change plus local climate/weather, transportation, safety. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 2:07PM |
| 200,784,689 | Have medical coverage only with the V.A. so must live near a V.A. facility. Turns out I need to live near a V.A. hospital and not just a clinic like the one here in Sierra Vista, AZ. Didn't realize I'd be driving 1 1/2 hrs. to the Tucson VAMC for needed | Wednesday, Jul 11th |

| | treatments. Have moved 3 times since retiring and would prefer to move again but don't have the energy or money. | 2:17PM |
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| 200,784,571 | Wife still working in the area and running her business. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 2:22PM |
| 200,784,454 | Taxes Low cost of living Political environment | Wednesday, Jul 11th 2:19PM |
| 200,784,442 | Ability to do activities Medical Weather | Wednesday, Jul 11th 2:18PM |
| 200,784,433 | Ability to do activities Medical Weather | Wednesday, Jul 11th 2:18PM |
| 200,784,383 | Weather Walkability Transportation Political environment | Wednesday, Jul 11th 2:14PM |
| 200,784,382 | We reloacated to tx 4 yrs ago and love it but we probably will have to move to a nearby county w lower property taxes and no hoa! | Wednesday, Jul 11th 2:12PM |
| 200,784,355 | 10; 3;11 | Wednesday, Jul 11th 2:13PM |
| 200,784,040 | Ability to do favorite activities. Climate and weather. Taxes. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 2:00PM |
| 200,784,001 | Climate change Taxes Medical carr | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:58PM |
| 200,783,849 | Near family, Taxes, Cost of living | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:48PM |
| 200,783,835 | Finding a community where I can afford a larger home than I can here Better social opportunities than where I am now High environmental awareness/beautiful environmental surroundings | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:46PM |
| 200,783,755 | Golf,tax, weather | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:42PM |
| 200,783,728 | Taxes Low cost of living Climate & weather | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:44PM |
| 200,783,708 | Affordability Close to family Walkability | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:44PM |
| 200,783,688 | 1. Climate 2. Low cost of living 3. Taxes | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:45PM |
| 200,783,449 | Cost of housing Close to family Cultural opportunities which includes diversity in restaurants | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:28PM |
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| 200,783,392 | No tax on pension | 1:28PM |
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| 200,783,346 | Warm climate No income tax Activities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:27PM |
| 200,783,343 | Warm climate availability of medical facilities, low crime | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:30PM |
| 200,783,219 | weather,family, cost | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:22PM |
| 200,783,073 | I want to get back close to the EAST Coast but of course certain states are too expensive like NY and NJ so I want to get close but again NOT the Southern states either Its important for change of seasons and low cost in living for seniors is very important | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:15PM |
| 200,783,040 | Climate and weather Availability of medical care | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:14PM |
| 200,783,037 | Ability to do my favorite activities (hiking, swimming & cycling) in good weather, followed by cultural activities, taxes & cost of living. Being average (both) age 60 & in good health medical care currently not high on list but that might change in a decade or so. Transportation (not requiring car & walkability are middle concerns. Of course low crime is another middling concern but not considering living in a big city that kinda takes care of that | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:16PM |
| 200,782,920 | I currently live in an very expensive, but lovely suburb south of San Francisco. I have lived here all my life, and I think it will be hard to adjust to living elsewhere. BUT it's becoming so expensive and crowded here - I doubt my kids will settle here due to the traffic and cost - so I'm open to living elsewhere, but would want a place that is safe (of course) and has access to city things like medical care and airports, with fairly mild weather (e.g., little to no snow, and preferably not extremely hot) and walkable to shops and restaurants. A lot will probably depend on where the kids land. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:05PM |
| 200,782,876 | Low cost of living Low taxes Mediacal Climate & weather Low crime rate and political climate | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:05PM |
| 200,782,837 | Income tax Medical availability Climate | Wednesday, Jul 11th 1:01PM |
| 200,782,787 | Our two children have moved to opposite parts of the country. Neither area appeals to us. We decided to stay in the middle of the country where at least we are close to several siblings/nieces & nephews & friends. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:57PM |
| 200,782,724 | 1. Like/Passion for what I am doing. 2. Keep my Smarts active. 3. Healthy Lifestyle. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:52PM |
| 200,782,697 | Close to grocery store, fitness center, lake | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:55PM |
| 200,782,688 | Up to 100k Year round pleasant weather (1"snow) Active community | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:55PM |
| 200,782,578 | cost of living, ability to do things I enjoy, proximity to medical AND shopping for necessities, lower taxes. Options for old age are a consideration. If the perfect place came up and home prices/amenity & "membership" fees are not within my personal price range, it would not matter as I would be unable to go. Some community builders evidently think that as you get older, your pockets are just lined with cash. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:48PM |
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| | 1. High State (Maryland) Taxes | |
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| | 2. Proximity to Kids | |
| 200,782,469 | 1) weather climate 2) activities 3) low crime rate | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:55PM |
| 200,782,459 | Low cost of living Taxes Climate and weather | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:49PM |
| 200,782,440 | Weather and moderate climate, low property taxes and lower utility rates from where we currently live, and out of California | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:37PM |
| 200,782,421 | Ability to do things I enjoy Low cost of living Taxes | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:49PM |
| 200,782,409 | Climate and weather, medical, taxes | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:49PM |
| 200,782,318 | 1) climate and weather 2) availability of medical, 3) low crime, 4) low cost of living, 5) transportation, 6) taxes, 7) walkability / bikeability, 8) family/friends, 9) cultural opportunities, 10) ability to favorite activities, 11) political environment, 12) climate change (flooding, extreme weather, etc). | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:38PM |
| 200,782,261 | 3,6,9 | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:42PM |
| 200,782,129 | cost of living things to do medical | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:36PM |
| 200,782,100 | Medical, cost of living, taxes | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:35PM |
| 200,782,098 | Climate/weather Ability to do favorite activities Walkability | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:35PM |
| 200,781,895 | 1. Walkability / Bikability 2. Ability to do favorite activities 3. Cultural opportunities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:30PM |
| 200,781,883 | cost of living taxes walk-ability | Wednesday, Jul 11th |
| 200,781,865 | Health care Weather Cultural | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:30PM |
| 200,781,773 | We will live in 2 placesone near family/friends and the other a fun place we want to enjoy | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:22PM |
| 200,781,734 | 1. Climate and weather 2. Medical 3. Taxes | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:26PM |
| 200,781,712 | Low cost of Living Low Taxes Availability to good Medical | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:19PM |
| 200,781,607 | 13 11 12 | Wednesday, Jul 11th |

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| 200,781,514 | Health considerations. Onset of RA. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:09PM |
| 200,781,385 | Need to be able to Walk to nearby town or a development with hiking, walking trails and biking trails as well as work out facilities. Sense of community is very important and participation in interests to be shared. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:07PM |
| 200,781,363 | 12,4,5 | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:14PM |
| 200,781,266 | Proximity to beaches! | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:12PM |
| 200,781,232 | 1)taxes, 2)climate 3)political environment | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:09PM |
| 200,781,217 | Climate Cost of living Favorite activities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:10PM |
| 200,781,215 | 1. Family 2. Medical availability 3. Low crime rate | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:07PM |
| 200,781,207 | 1,5,7 | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:11PM |
| 200,781,174 | Taxes | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:09PM |
| 200,781,157 | Climate ,low taxes availability of quality health care | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:07PM |
| 200,781,122 | 5. 8 1 6 3 | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:08PM |
| 200,781,114 | Low cast living Taxes Favorite activity | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:03PM |
| 200,781,109 | I need a little space from my kids. I know that sounds crazy, as most people move to be closer to their kids in retirement, but I have lived near my kids, or with them until this point. Hate the snow and cold, and I need to be able to look out at the ocean every morning as I sip my coffee! | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:04PM |
| 200,781,102 | Low crime rates Climate and weather Walkability/Bikability | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:05PM |
| 200,781,070 | Climate and weather, taxes, tons of stuff to do (not just cultural) | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:05PM |
| 200,781,067 | Taxes, lie cost of living, activities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:08PM |
| 200,781,051 | 1. Low cost of living 2. Climate and weather 3. Walkability/Bikeability | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:02PM |
| 200,780,993 | I horseback ride and wanted to be in another horse community. | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:02PM |
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| 200,780,989 | Climate Access to favorite activities Cultural opportunities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 12:01PM |
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| 200,771,221 | Taxes Low cost of living Nearer to family | Wednesday, Jul 11th 6:36AM |
| 200,770,717 | Medical, Climate, Outdoor Activities | Wednesday, Jul 11th 6:13AM |
| 200,769,263 | 1. Medical availability 2. Weather and climate 3. Low cost of living | Wednesday, Jul 11th 5:13AM |
| 200,751,182 | All those things are important. Even though I might move someplace where I know no one I would hope to make new friends upon arrival. I'm not even looking at places beyond my means which is why low cost of living is low on the list. Same with low crime and that can be deceiving. I see it in blog comments all the time where people say crime is bad in an area. That might be true in an area as a whole but not in a particular zip code. And from what I've read most 55+ communities have low crime. That said, 10 years from now when I'm planning for the next phase of retirement things will likely change. At that point I'll be evaluating CCRCs as that might be a better option for my later retirement years. | Tuesday, Jul 10th 2:31PM |
| 200,750,129 | 1. Near Family 2. Cultural Opportunities 3. Availability of Medical | Tuesday, Jul 10th 2:31PM |
| 200,745,063 | I want to get away from long, cold winters! | Tuesday, Jul 10th 11:25AM |
| 200,743,631 | Ability to do favorite activities Climate and weather Taxes | Tuesday, Jul 10th 10:43AM |
| 200,740,497 | 1. ObamaKare sealed the decision on my choice I had to make with my health care. The option then offered is no longer available. (Zero \$ co-pays) Major hospital groups available to me. Additionally, a VA medical center 2 miles away. I don't use Medicare. 2. Internet - I presently have 330 Mbps Down & 30 Mbps Up - for < \$40.00/mo. I have an Organic store 1.5 blocks away. 3. Major national highway groups close by. 3 major airports and two international serviced military ones in reasonable distance. Local bus service 1/2 block from abode; subway stop 1 block away; major car rental outlet 1 block away; at least 3 new concept car rental stops nearby. Major bicycle rental 1 block away. | Tuesday, Jul 10th 8:19AM |
| 200,740,016 | Our main reason for moving is that we fell in love with the mountains of North Carolina, the people, and the slower pace of life. We'll be moving there as soon as I retire. | Tuesday, Jul 10th 8:50AM |
| 200,737,542 | Climate and weather Ability to do favorite activities Walkability and biking | Tuesday, Jul 10th 7:35AM |
| 200,737,492 | Weather Cost of living | Tuesday, Jul 10th 7:40AM |
| 200,737,485 | Weather Cost of living Like minded people | Tuesday, Jul 10th 7:34AM |
| 200,736,592 | 12, 10, 13 | Tuesday, Jul 10th 6:55AM |

| 200,735,342 | Climate,cost of living,low crime | Tuesday, Jul 10th 6:26AM |
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| 200,728,949 | Money, money, money. | Tuesday, Jul 10th 2:08AM |
| 200,722,456 | also availability of marijuana and close to casinos | Monday, Jul 9th 8:16PM |
| 200,722,136 | 4, 3, 1 | Monday, Jul 9th 8:00PM |
| 200,721,070 | From a financial standpoint, the total of state income tax, property tax, house/hurricane insurance, flood policy, auto insurance, and medicare supplement policy must be substantially less than where I live now. The financial stability of the state, county, and town must be good to avoid big tax increases in the future (for things like underfunded pension liabilities of retired public employees or neglected infrastructure). In terms of amenities, I would not move to an area where metered satellite Internet or slow DSL is the only choice. The availability of utility gas service is also a must as I will be putting in a whole-house standby generator and do not want a propane tank on my property or the much higher costs of propane in general vs. utility gas. Finally, only areas with "city" water and sewer would be considered, and the source of the water must not be prone to frequent droughts. I like the idea of age restricted 55+ communities, but have never seen any where I could avoid paying monthly fees for facilities I would never use. The most I would pay for is lawn service. In terms of the area itself, the climate must be substantially warmer in winter than the NYC suburbs, have lower or comparable crime rates to where I live now, nearby hospital(s), and multiple supermarket and warehouse club choices without driving long distances. I also would never move anywhere near an area prone to frequent flooding or an area where forest fires are likely such as new developments surrounded by trees. | Monday, Jul 9th 10:10AM |
| 200,720,724 | Low cost of living Climate and weather Walkability/bikability | Monday, Jul 9th 6:55PM |
| 200,718,369 | 1 low crime rates 2affordability 3 climate | Monday, Jul 9th 5:16PM |
| 200,717,199 | 6, 7, 11 | Monday, Jul 9th 4:33PM |
| 200,710,333 | Singles to meet Friendliness of community Is areas prone to Natural disasters? (Floods, hurricanes, tornadoes) Insurance costs | Monday, Jul 9th 1:02PM |
| 200,709,007 | 1.weather 2. Doing favorite activities 3. Low cost of living | Monday, Jul 9th 12:19PM |
| 200,707,228 | Above, #6 and the items before, are almost as important to me as #1. As a result, i'm not sure this survey is really going to reach a valid conclusion. | Monday, Jul 9th 11:39AM |
| 200,707,150 | Weather Close to beach No tax on SS | Monday, Jul 9th 11:43AM |
| 200,705,358 | Good climate, natural beauty, interesting places to visit nearby, people who don't want to politicize everything, easy in and out to airport | Monday, Jul 9th 10:57AM |
| 200,702,972 | 1 cost of living 2 low crime 3 hospital | Monday, Jul 9th 10:11AM |
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| 200,701,014 | Availability of medical Near family and friends Transportation | Monday, Jul 9th 9:43AM |
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| 200,700,407 | Couldn't drag, but could renumber. Hope it worked. | Monday, Jul 9th 9:12AM |
| 200,700,168 | Near family Ability to do favorite activities Climate and weather Availability of medical Near major airport for travel | Monday, Jul 9th 9:27AM |
| 200,700,055 | Near family or friends Taxes Low crime rate Walkabilty Political climate | Monday, Jul 9th 9:19AM |
| 200,700,017 | Lower property taxes Medical facilities are close by (VA Hospital) Lower cost of living, more bang for my bucks (fixed income) Small town atmosphere where there are places to walk and a cultural scene that fits my interests. | Monday, Jul 9th 9:13AM |
| 200,699,925 | Availability of medical 2.taxes 3.ability to do favorite activities | Monday, Jul 9th 9:05AM |
| 200,699,769 | Amenities are an important decision factor for us as well therefore we're focused on master planned communities. Another factor we're considering is the availability of "lock and leave" housing options. | Monday, Jul 9th 9:22AM |
| 200,699,124 | quality health care favorable retirement taxation affordable for median income | Monday, Jul 9th 9:03AM |
| 200,698,733 | Lifestyle Medical care. Location near major highways, airport and cruise port | Monday, Jul 9th 8:48AM |
| 200,698,285 | Climate and weather Walkability/Bikeability Taxes | Monday, Jul 9th 8:28AM |
| 200,697,658 | the "other option" I ranked fairly high is the availability of vegan friendly restaurants and grocery stores. | Monday, Jul 9th 7:56AM |
| 200,697,539 | 1. Near family and friends 2. Ability to do favorite activities 3. Availability of medical | Monday, Jul 9th 8:15AM |
| 200,696,591 | 1- favorite activities 2- friends 3- climate and weather | Monday, Jul 9th 7:45AM |
| 200,696,090 | Family, medical, taxes. I also need a community that allows 4 dogs. | Monday, Jul 9th 7:17AM |
| 200,695,317 | 1 Activities 2 | Monday, Jul 9th 7:10AM |
| 200,695,026 | Near family Low cost of living Climate | Monday, Jul 9th 7:04AM |
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| 200,694,946 | Medical care, cultural/educational opportunnities, friends, familiar location | Monday, Jul 9th 6:58AM |
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| 200,694,814 | Additional criteria: The strength of the state and local economy. Physical attributes, i.e. water, mountains, desert, forests Financial soundness of the state government Is the area dominated by one religion or minority group? Absence of nearby prisons, nuclear and coal power plants, military bases, flood plains, mining activity, pockets of poverty and high unemployment Good schools for resale value unless in active adult setting Plentiful and safe water resources | Monday, Jul 9th 6:28AM |
| 200,694,781 | 1 taxes 2 cultural opportunities 3 transportation tied with medical | Monday, Jul 9th 6:59AM |
| 200,694,600 | I am a liberal democrat who has lived and worked in an extremely conservative area. Politics make for fun discussion but is not a reason to get upset or exclude people from your list of possible friends. Therefore, Politics do not play into my decision as to where to live in retirement. | Monday, Jul 9th 6:38AM |
| 200,694,536 | Closer to family. Buy horse property and live near places to and people that ride. | Monday, Jul 9th 6:48AM |
| 200,694,290 | Lower overall cost of living (including taxes and medical insurances) Availability of medical Smaller town and pace | Monday, Jul 9th 6:33AM |
| 200,693,886 | Climate, cultural opportunities, taxes | Monday, Jul 9th 6:23AM |