

INDY REGION MAKING HEADLINES

BUSINESS CLIMATE

- **AAA bond rating, Fitch, Moody's**
- **#5 City for Creating the Most Tech Jobs, Forbes, 2017**
- **#2 Best Cities for Jobs, Money, 2017**
- **Best Cities for Women in Tech, FastCompany, 2016, 2017**
- **#7 State for Doing Business, Area Development, 2017**
- **#6 State for Overall Cost of Doing Business, Area Development, 2017**
- **#6 State for Business Incentive Program, Area Development, 2017**
- **#6 State for Favorable Regulatory Environment, Area Development, 2017**
- **#6 State for Speed of Permitting, Area Development, 2017**
- **#3 State for Shovel-Ready Sites Program, Area Development, 2017**
- **#2 State for Software Job Growth, 2017, software.org**
- **Best Airport in North America, Airports Council International, 2010, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017**
- **#5 City for Tech Job Growth, CBRE, 2016**
- **Tech Hub on the Move, Forbes, 2016**
- **Top 8 Thriving Tech Cities, Money Under 30, 2016**
- **Top 5 in the Nation for Business, Chief Executive, 2016**
- **Top 10 Most Entrepreneur Friendly States SBE Council, 2016, 2017**
- **#1 in the Midwest, #6 nationally, as the best place to do business, Chief Executive, 2015**
- **#1 in the nation for cost of doing business, CNBC "America's Top States for Business 2015" scorecard**
- **Best business climate in the Midwest, 2015**
- **#12 among states in business R&D activity, 2015**
- **Top 20 states in university science and engineering R&D, tech licensing income and business spin-offs**
- **28th in Kauffman's Startup Activity Index, 2015**
- **Indiana #21 in the number of 'Inc. 5000' (fastest-growing) companies, 2015**
- **#1 State in the Midwest, 7th in the nation for business friendly climate, Area Development, 2014**
- **7th Best Pro-Business State, Pollina Corporate, 2014 study**
- **Top 10 Great Cities for Starting a Business, Kiplinger, 2013**
- **Best Business Climate in the Midwest, 5th nationally, Business Facilities' 2014 State Rankings Report**
- **#7 State for Doing Business, Area Development, 2014**
- **#11 Top Metro Leading the Recovery, Manhattan Institute for Policy Research, 2014**
- **Top 10 American City to Relocate, CNBC**
- **#1 state in the Midwest for best overall business climate, Site Selection, 2014**

LIVABILITY

- **#1 City for Renters, *Forbes*, 2017**
- **Top 10 States for Millennials, *Money*, 2017**
- **Fishers #1 Best Places to Live, *Money*, 2017**
- **Carmel, Avon, Greenwood, Top 25 Best Places to Live, *Money*, 2017**
- **Carmel #1 Place to Live in America, *Town and Country Magazine*, 2017**
- **America's Best City for Renters, *Forbes*, 2017**
- **Top 10 Most Underrated Cities, *Travel + Leisure*, 2017**
- **Top 5 Cities Where You Can Live Like Royalty, *CNBC*, 2016**
- **Best Market for First-Time Home Buyers, *Zillow*, 2016**
- **Indianapolis: Millennials Dream City, *NBC News*, 2016**
- **Top 5 Cities Where Paycheck Will go the Furthest, *Forbes*, 2016**
- **Best Cities for Mid-Career Professionals, *Forbes*, 2016**
- **Top Metros for College Grads, *Trulia*, 2016**
- **America's Favorite Cities Top 20, *Travel and Leisure*, 2016**
- **#5 Best Mid-Sized Cities for Millennials, *C.S. Monitor*, 2016**
- **Top 10 Best Cities for Young Professionals, *Forbes*, 2016**
- **#5 Best Affordable Places to Live in the U.S. *U.S. News and World Report*, 2016**
- **#6 Best Destinations in the U.S., *Lonely Planet*, 2015**
- **Top 50 Places in the World to Visit, *New York Times*, 2014**
- **#3 in Top 10 Best Downtowns, *Livability.com*, 2014**
- **#2 Best U.S. City For Culture, *BusinessInsider.com*, 2014**
- **#4 best large metro area for home ownership, *nerdwallet.com*, 2014**
- **Top 10 Best City to Start a New Career, *Time*, 2014**
- **America's Most Surprising City, *Lonely Planet*, 2014**
- **Most Affordable Market to Purchase a Home, *CNN Money***
- **Lucas Oil Stadium named "best sports experience in the world" *Stadium Journey*, 2014**



QUOTABLES

"Indianapolis is a national leader in creating jobs requiring science, technology, engineering and math skills. The region's universities and community colleges produce a pipeline of graduates with high-tech know-how."

Marc Benioff- Salesforce

"Salesforce came to Indiana four years ago with our acquisition of Indianapolis-based ExactTarget. We knew we were acquiring a great company, but soon came to realize we were also becoming part of a great state and community. Indiana is one of the best states in which to do business, and the state's Hoosier hospitality is legendary."

Marc Benioff- Salesforce

"When it comes to companies looking for tech talent, Indianapolis is the top bang-for-your-buck market in the country"

CBRE

"Indy offers its own friendly version of a cutting-edge American city." *Elite Traveler Magazine*

"Indianapolis has emerged nationally as a vibrant center for business, tourism, and everyday life." *Delta Sky Magazine*

"Cummins, Eli Lilly and Co, and Wellpoint are on a national list of the Top 50 Companies for Diversity." *DiversityInc*

"This city is ready to prove it belongs in the big leagues." *USA Today*

"Fast becoming a favorite among meeting planners." *Convene Magazine*

"There's way more brewing in this burgeoning Midwest centre than just a famous motor race." *Time Out Melbourne*

"10 Best Cities for Families to Visit: #8 Indy." *Parents Magazine*

"(Indianapolis has) the best downtown sports scene in the United States." *Stadium Journey*