Des Moines ranks #1 as the “Best Place for Business and Careers.” - Forbes

Des Moines is the #1 city in the nation for doing business. - MarketWatch

Des Moines is 15 percent below the national average for cost of doing business. - Moody’s Economy.com

Des Moines ranks #2 in “Most Secure U.S. Places to Live.” - Farmer’s Insurance Group

Des Moines ranks first in the nation for real estate as the “Most Livable Bargain Market.” - MSN.com

Des Moines-West Des Moines ranks in the top ten for “Best Mid-Sized Cities for Jobs.” - Forbes

Ranked 3rd place for a “Where to Live & Play Now!” city, Des Moines is listed as a top place to live to GO GREEN. - National Geographic

Metro Des Moines ranked in the top ten for mid-sized metro areas in “Best Places to Launch a Small Business.” - CNNMoney.com

Des Moines living costs are eight percent below the national average. - The Council for Community and Economic Research

Iowa ranks as the 2nd happiest state in financial stability, unemployment, mortgage rates and foreclosures. - MainStreet.com

Des Moines ranks #5 in the nation for “Cities Where Americans Are Getting Richer”. This ranking is based on income and education levels of the workforce, especially young workers and recent college graduates. - Forbes