

**"Texas is a state where a dream can be put to work." - Governor Rick Perry**



"America's No. 1 State for Economy"



"No. 1 for Economic Climate"



"No. 1 in U.S. for Attractiveness  
in Renewable Energy Investments"



"No. 1 in Projected Job Growth"



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"No. 1 in 'State of  
U.S. Economy' Report"



"No. 1 for Corporate Site Selectors"



"Most Fortune 500 & 1000  
Corporate Headquarters"

Texas has ranked as the No. 1 U.S. exporting state for eight straight years. Texas' exports were approximately \$164 billion in 2009.

**(WISERTrade, February 2010)**

Texas ranks as the No. 1 relocation destination in the U.S. for the fifth year in a row based on Allied Van Lines' 42nd Annual Magnet Report, which tracks U.S. migration patterns.

**(SIRVA, Inc., January 2010)**

Texas ranks as one of the top three entrepreneur-friendly states in Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council's "Small Business Survival Index 2009."

**(Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council, December 2009)**

Six Texas metros, with four in the top ten spots, were ranked in Forbes' America's Fastest-Recovering Cities list. The top metros included: San Antonio (2), Austin-Round Rock (3), Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington (6), Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown (8), El Paso (48) and McAllen-Edinburg-Mission (48).

**(Forbes, November 2009)**

For the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row, Texas ranked #1 among Corporate Real Estate executives for having the best business climate.

**(Site Selection, November 2009)**

Six Texas metros were ranked among the strongest 20 economies in Brookings Institute's "Overall Performance of the Largest 100 Metros" report.

**(Brookings Institute, September 2009)**

Texas was ranked as the 2009 Best Business Climate by Business Facilities magazine.

**(Business Facilities, July 2009)**

