

2007 Best Performing Cities - Small 179 Cities List

2005 Rank	2007 Rank	Metropolitan Area	5-yr Job Growth 2001 - 2006		1-yr Job Growth 2005 - 2006		5-yr Wages & Salaries		1-yr Wages & Salaries		Job Growth (Mar06 - Mar07)		5-yr Relative HT GDP		1-yr Relative HT GDP		High-Tech GDP LQ		# of HT LQs Over 1		MSA Population 2006 (in Thousands)	Overall Index
			2006 Value	Rank	2006 Value	Rank	2005 Value	Rank	2005 Value	Rank	Growth	Rank	2006 Value	Rank	2006 Value	Rank	2006 Value	Rank	2006 Value	Rank		
137	140	Burlington, NC MSA	93.51	160	98.60	138	89.83	166	97.35	147	2.39%	48	101.73	99	105.66	22	0.50	102	4	74	143	862.24
78	141	Fond du Lac, WI MSA	98.28	123	98.81	127	92.52	158	97.81	133	-0.23%	151	104.43	90	99.95	79	0.62	70	8	9	99	871.51
139	142	Bloomington-Normal, IL MSA	95.49	147	99.06	113	97.64	126	97.34	148	-0.11%	150	138.84	20	95.87	125	0.76	36	3	105	161	883.13
138	143	Parkersburg-Marietta-Vienna, WV-OH MSA	98.59	119	98.53	141	93.11	152	95.57	174	1.20%	107	113.78	59	101.07	59	0.61	77	4	74	162	883.72
174	144	Elmira, NY MSA	90.49	171	98.98	115	92.94	153	100.70	50	-0.49%	156	64.85	174	102.23	45	0.61	74	4	74	89	884.43
112	145	Oshkosh-Neenah, WI MSA	101.18	92	98.96	118	96.29	133	97.82	132	0.04%	146	98.88	115	99.01	93	0.49	107	3	105	161	886.90
131	146	Springfield, IL MSA	93.76	157	98.22	145	95.99	134	98.99	99	0.18%	142	91.68	142	94.22	137	0.93	20	7	15	206	890.50
74	147	Lawrence, KS MSA	95.02	149	97.62	161	100.61	104	98.30	125	5.37%	7	63.38	175	85.27	175	0.52	95	2	139	112	893.77
154	148	Goldstboro, NC MSA	94.98	150	99.70	97	97.19	129	97.40	145	1.84%	76	102.68	95	102.54	40	0.23	175	0	173	114	894.68
124	149	Bangor, ME MSA	97.00	139	97.61	162	100.09	108	98.40	118	-1.33%	168	107.90	83	97.34	114	0.70	52	5	50	147	901.79
170	150	Decatur, AL MSA	94.68	154	98.70	133	93.86	148	98.12	128	1.38%	96	111.55	70	100.69	64	0.41	131	2	139	150	919.04
177	151	Muncie, IN MSA	89.86	174	100.31	69	86.61	174	97.39	146	-1.65%	172	101.26	102	102.99	36	0.62	72	4	74	115	936.59
120	152	Janesville, WI MSA	98.89	116	99.60	101	92.94	154	96.85	156	-1.43%	170	102.05	98	99.05	91	0.37	147	5	50	159	950.11
126	153	Owensboro, KY MSA	97.80	132	99.87	89	95.53	139	98.34	123	1.17%	109	86.32	152	90.99	162	0.25	170	2	139	112	963.66
145	154	Macon, GA MSA	98.31	122	97.69	159	94.49	146	97.26	153	0.03%	147	88.72	147	88.89	172	0.69	56	6	29	229	991.74
142	155	Sheboygan, WI MSA	98.73	118	98.54	140	98.25	121	98.83	106	-1.09%	163	61.38	176	100.20	75	0.34	157	1	161	115	994.86
143	156	Sumter, SC MSA	97.69	133	96.41	176	96.69	131	97.30	149	-1.28%	167	118.91	48	102.22	46	0.44	124	2	139	104	997.79
172	157	Michigan City-La Porte, IN MSA	92.51	166	97.97	152	92.13	160	98.09	129	0.66%	128	95.59	125	98.26	104	0.56	90	3	105	110	1010.91
167	158	Topeka, KS MSA	91.59	168	97.27	166	94.61	144	98.09	130	1.73%	78	69.54	172	93.38	146	0.41	131	4	74	229	1011.07
149	159	Racine, WI MSA	96.33	141	98.04	149	94.95	142	96.61	161	1.13%	112	93.88	130	97.97	108	0.36	151	3	105	196	1015.99
158	160	Danville, IL MSA	92.52	165	96.47	175	95.60	138	97.57	138	-0.93%	160	110.43	75	94.01	140	0.62	73	4	74	82	1021.83
165	161	Bay City, MI MSA	91.14	169	96.72	170	85.27	175	96.26	167	-1.06%	162	86.81	150	107.00	17	0.70	51	5	50	108	1043.57
152	162	Sandusky, OH MSA	94.83	152	97.37	165	88.76	169	96.03	171	0.79%	122	113.64	61	99.48	87	0.29	164	3	105	78	1054.24
115	163	Williamsport, PA MSA	93.68	158	97.67	160	93.14	151	96.20	170	0.00%	148	93.74	132	93.47	145	0.61	76	5	50	118	1055.36
148	164	Mansfield, OH MSA	92.66	164	97.44	164	91.57	162	95.40	175	-0.89%	159	120.08	45	88.70	173	0.64	65	4	74	127	1070.50
129	165	Muskegon-Norton Shores, MI MSA	100.36	101	97.96	153	89.53	167	96.31	165	-1.43%	169	55.83	178	90.23	167	0.54	94	4	74	175	1079.54
176	166	Sioux City, IA-NE-SD MSA	93.50	161	99.62	100	87.79	172	96.80	157	-0.36%	154	59.13	177	93.04	148	0.38	142	4	74	143	1082.64
156	167	Lima, OH MSA	94.71	153	96.50	173	92.23	159	97.56	140	-2.30%	175	116.84	53	97.36	113	0.44	125	2	139	106	1083.59
153	168	Saginaw-Saginaw Township North, MI MSA	90.77	170	97.98	151	82.69	177	94.23	178	-0.23%	152	101.03	104	93.50	144	0.65	64	3	105	206	1106.62
162	169	Monroe, MI MSA	95.92	146	98.10	148	94.57	145	95.78	173	-3.50%	177	110.27	76	96.90	116	0.33	158	1	161	155	1114.83
144	170	Pine Bluff, AR MSA	94.90	151	96.49	174	99.45	113	97.57	139	-1.75%	173	91.85	140	92.78	153	0.28	167	2	139	104	1119.84
150	171	Danville, VA MSA	87.22	178	94.05	178	88.59	170	96.40	163	-1.17%	165	71.15	171	86.13	174	0.77	32	7	15	107	1121.15
166	172	Kokomo, IN MSA	88.22	177	97.09	168	84.09	176	94.31	177	-1.05%	161	80.80	161	115.97	4	0.59	83	2	139	101	1123.84
159	173	Anderson, SC MSA	93.55	159	98.68	134	89.36	168	96.98	155	0.42%	135	68.46	173	98.53	97	0.22	177	1	161	178	1125.69
173	174	Jackson, MI MSA	90.41	172	96.70	172	92.64	157	98.25	126	-1.99%	174	84.84	154	100.40	70	0.37	150	2	139	164	1128.72
168	175	Anderson, IN MSA	89.15	176	95.81	177	81.75	178	93.52	179	-3.76%	178	93.24	135	96.64	118	0.57	88	6	29	131	1145.82
178	176	Weirton-Stuebenville, WV-OH MSA	92.36	167	96.70	171	87.79	171	96.21	169	-1.25%	166	96.93	119	94.12	139	0.34	154	4	74	125	1160.36
175	177	Niles-Benton Harbor, MI MSA	89.67	175	96.91	169	87.41	173	96.29	166	-0.63%	157	72.97	169	96.79	117	0.37	149	4	74	162	1168.29
164	178	Battle Creek, MI MSA	94.58	155	97.19	167	93.48	150	96.34	164	-1.49%	171	95.75	124	93.86	142	0.24	173	1	161	138	1181.32
179	179	Springfield, OH MSA	90.14	173	97.86	155	79.03	179	95.92	172	-1.10%	164	37.43	179	109.31	10	0.19	178	1	161	142	1181.59

MSA – Metropolitan Statistical Area

Footnotes: 1 - Indicates this city's position on last year's 2005 largest metros list

2 - Indicates this city's position on last year's 2005 smallest metros list

NA - New Metro