

5 BEST CITY TO LIVE IN

1. Tokyo ranks first as the city with the highest quality of life in 2020 due to its overall relatively good scores in most metrics and Japan's strong response to COVID-19. Japan has had very low case counts, Aa subsidized advanced transportation system, and an overall high quality of life.

2. London ranks as second with extremely high scores in the economy and cultural interaction metrics. In normal years where COVID-19 was not a factor, London would have ranked number one. However, the United Kingdom's struggles with COVID-19 and the high number of deaths per capita significantly decreased its score and it is only by its resilience in other metrics that it remains in second place.

3. Singapore places third in the ranking with relatively moderate scores in most metrics but it has performed well in countering the consequences of COVID-19. So while Singapore actually ranks below the average on livability, and only slightly above average on the economy and research and development, its response to COVID-19 has resulted in more than 99% of infected people recovering.

4. New York City ranks fourth, below its historical rankings, as it scores well in its economy, research and development, and cultural interaction. The main factor pushing it downwards is the same that was true of London: high per capita COVID-19 death rate. The United States has struggled to contain the virus and has lost more than 200,000 people.

5. Melbourne is an interesting and competitive fifth place as it scores largely slightly above average on every metric except for COVID-19. Melbourne also scores highly in the environmental metric after setting strict and aggressive targets for zero-carbon emissions.

Answer the questions based on the text.

1. Why is Tokyo considered as the best city to live in?
2. What made London rank second and not first?
3. What made Singapore rank third despite its livability being below average?
4. What pushed New York to the fourth rank?
5. What has Melbourne accomplished according to the text?

True or False

1. Tokyo has the least number of cases of COVID-19.
2. London performed excellently in term of economy and interaction metrics.
3. Singapore performed moderately in countering COVID-19.
4. New York has higher historical ranking than its economy.
5. Melbourne has an acceptable environmental metric.