

MONEY BEST PLACES TO LIVE 2006

Carmichael, CA

Population: 54,205

Financial	<u>City stats</u>	<u>Best Places average</u>
Median family income per year	\$64,650	\$76,893
Family purchasing power (annual, cost of living adjusted)	\$43,860	\$68,109
Sales tax	7.75%	6.55%
State income tax rate (highest bracket)	9.30%	6.46%
State income tax rate (lowest bracket)	1.00%	2.74%
Auto insurance premiums (Average for the state)	\$2,186	\$2,207
Job growth% (2000-2005)	10.98%	10.97%
Housing	<u>City stats</u>	<u>Best Places average</u>
Median home price	\$398,500	\$259,566
Home price gain (2004-2005)	16.90%	9.26%
Education	<u>City stats</u>	<u>Best Places average</u>
Colleges, universities and professional schools	2	8
Junior colleges and Technical institutes	0	0
Test scores reading (% +/- state average)	24.5%	13.3%

Test scores math (% +/- state average)	27.4%	16.9%
% students attending public/private schools	86.0/14.00	88.4/11.59

QUALITY OF LIFE	<u>City stats</u>	<u>Best Places Average</u>
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Air quality index (% of day AQI ranked as good)	28.8%	71.9%
Personal crime risk (100 is nat'l average, lower is better)	142	45
Property crime risk (100 is nat'l average, lower is better)	99	74
Personal crime incidents (per 100,000)	n/a	228
Property crime incidents (per 100,000)	n/a	3105
Median commute time (in minutes)	22.1	20.8
% population with commute 45 mins. or longer	10.6%	13.4%

Leisure and culture	<u>City stats</u>	<u>Best Places Average</u>
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Movie theaters (within 15 miles)	20	22
Restaurants (within 15 miles)	3304	2268
Bars (within 15 miles)	157	127
Public golf courses (within 30 miles)	51	74
Libraries (within 15 miles)	52	43
Museums (accredited by AAM within 30 miles)	1	7
Ski resorts (within 100 miles)	17	10
Events (Number of sports,	0	1

Concert and family/arts events)

Weather	<u>City Stats</u>	<u>Best Places Average</u>
Annual precipitation (inches)	19.87	36.00
Clear days	188	107
High temp in July °F	93.8°	87.7°
Low temp in Jan °F	41.3°	23.5°

Health	<u>City stats</u>	<u>Best Places Average</u>
Has health plan (% of residents)	91.5%	88.2%
Body mass index (avg. for residents)	27	27
Cancer mortality (per 100,000 age-adjusted)	174.8	191.3
Cardiac mortality (per 100,000)	207.0	202.0

Meet the neighbors	<u>City stats</u>	<u>Best Places Average</u>
Median age	40.0	34.5
Completed at least some college (% of residents)	64.7%	63.9%
Married	48.9%	54.3%
Divorced	14.0%	9.3%
Amount spent on vacations (domestic & foreign, household avg. per year)	\$7,210	\$7,549