



# Plano and North Dallas at a Glance

Dallas is the ninth largest city in the United States, third largest in the state of Texas, and is the economic center of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex. Plano, one of northern suburbs of Dallas, is 20 miles north of downtown Dallas and 30 miles from the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport. This information focuses on Plano, but also provides some information about the Dallas Metroplex.



Dallas skyline at night

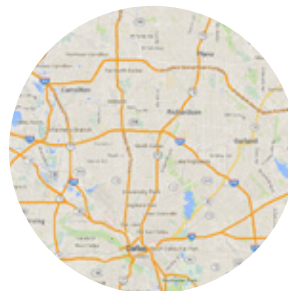
## Statistics\*

- Population of Dallas Metroplex: 6.8 million – the fourth largest metropolitan area in the U.S.
- Population of Plano: 263,122 – the fourth largest city in the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex
- Size (Plano): 71.6 square miles
- Median Age (Plano): 34 years
- Education (Plano): over 53 percent have four years of college or more
- Coldest month is January (average high: 56°F; average low: 34°F)
- Warmest month is July (average high: 95°F; average low: 74°F)

\*From [plano.gov](http://plano.gov), [planotexas.org](http://planotexas.org), [weather.com](http://weather.com), [visitdallas.com](http://visitdallas.com)



Haggard Park,  
downtown Plano



Dallas area, including Plano  
(googlemaps.com)



Plano Balloon Festival

Note: All links can be accessed from [OneToyotaHub.com](http://OneToyotaHub.com).



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## Overview

Located 20 miles north of downtown Dallas, Plano features a diverse community, award-winning schools and affordable housing. Plano residents enjoy interesting **restaurants**, live music, plentiful recreation opportunities and easy access to all of the attractions of Dallas. The 9th largest city in the U.S. and anchor of the Dallas Metroplex area, Dallas is home to 18 Fortune 500 companies and five professional sports teams. Dallas also has the largest urban arts district in the country.

Plano was ranked #1 in AreaVibes' list of **Best Places to Live** (2013), named one of the **top 10 cities to raise a family** by homes.com (2012) and listed as one of **America's best suburbs** by Movoto (2014). In addition, Forbes rated Plano one of the **safest cities in the U.S.** (2011) and selected Plano as one of the "Top Suburbs to Live Well" of Dallas (2008). For more information on Plano and the Dallas-Fort Worth area, check out these links:

- [Visit Plano](#) (brochure)
- [Moving Guide: Plano](#)
- Best of Dallas guides: [Dallas Observer](#); [Dallas News](#)
- [Transportation in and around Plano](#)
- [Overview of Texas state taxes](#)
- [Guide to Dallas](#)

## Education

The Plano Independent School District has won numerous awards. The performance of its students on college entrance exams is among the highest in the nation, and a significant number of students take Advanced Placement courses.

- [Plano Independent School District](#) (PISD)
- 42 percent of the K-12 professional staff holds a master's degree or above
- Per pupil PISD allocation: \$7,805 in 2013
- Average SAT V/M scores (2013): 555/593 compared to 491/503 nationally
- Plano's three senior high schools named **America's Best High Schools 2012** by Newsweek magazine
- In addition to the PISD, Plano is home to 25 private elementary, middle and high schoolsX
- [Great Schools web site](#)



Eastside Village,  
Downtown Plano Station

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Old Downtown Plano

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Plano Senior High School

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Legacy Town Center in Plano