

Quality of Life Factors

- 300 days of sunshine per year*
- One of 14 U.S. cities to have professional opera, symphony orchestra, ballet, and theater companies.*
- Major community events:
Tucson Gem and Mineral Show, Fiesta de los Vaqueros rodeo, El Tour de Tucson, Annual Mariachi Conference.
- More than 40 golf courses.*
- Gold level "Bicycle Friendly Community" designated by the League of American Bicyclists.
- Spring training home for the Colorado Rockies, the Chicago White Sox and the Arizona Diamondbacks. The Diamondback's Triple A team, the Sidewinders, provide summer baseball at Tucson Electric Park.
- Major resorts and spas:
Westin La Paloma Resort & Spa, Loews Ventana Canyon Resort, JW Marriott Starr Pass Resort & Spa, Westward Look Resort, Canyon Ranch, Miraval Life and Balance Spa and Resort, Hacienda del Sol Guest Ranch Resort, Arizona Inn and Lodge on the Desert.
- Nationally known attractions:
Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, Saguaro National Park, and the Pima Air and Space Museum
- Regional attractions:
San Xavier Mission, Old Tucson Studios, Mt. Lemmon, Sabino Canyon, Madera Canyon, Kitt Peak National Observatory, DeGrazia Gallery in the Sun, International Wildlife Museum, A Mountain, Gates Pass, Colossal Cave Mountain Park, Titan Missile Museum, Pima County Fairgrounds.
- Located within 45 minutes of Tucson is Sonora, Mexico, and Kartchner Caverns State Park in Benson.
- Downtown amenities:
Tucson Convention Center, the Fox Tucson Theatre, the Rialto Theatre, Hotel Congress, retail shops and restaurants.
- Major health care facilities:
University Medical Center, Tucson Medical Center, Northwest Medical Center, Northwest Medical Center Oro Valley, St. Mary's Hospital and St. Joseph's Hospital.
- Four mountain ranges:
The Catalinas to the north, the Santa Ritas to the south, the Rincons to the east and the Tucson Mountains to the west.
- Local travel reduction ordinances are in place for major employers to assist with encouragement of alternate mode usage by their employees.

*Source: Tucson Regional Economic Opportunities