

Living in South Dakota



JOBS & EDUCATION

With the third lowest unemployment rate in the nation, South Dakota is a great state for college graduates to get a job. Plus, the tuition rates for graduate programs are very affordable, making it a great state to earn an advanced degree.



TUITION RATE*

Graduate level rates at USD.

PER CREDIT HOUR

- GRADUATE (res.): **\$326⁰⁵**
- GRADUATE (non-res.): **\$626⁸⁵**
- ONLINE: **\$450⁹⁰**

ASSISTANTSHIPS

Earn from **\$7,488** up to **\$30k** per year in some programs with reduced tuition rates.

MORTGAGE & RENTAL PAYMENTS

Housing costs in SD are among the lowest in the nation.

RENTALS IN SOUTH DAKOTA	MORTGAGES IN SOUTH DAKOTA
STUDIO APARTMENT - PER MONTH: \$464	- PER MONTH: \$774
2 BEDROOM - PER MONTH: \$714	- PER YEAR: \$9,288

*Tuition rates are subject to change.



SD is the **3rd** cheapest state to live in the United States.

MORE BANG FOR YOUR BUCK

Living in South Dakota makes your dollars go further. The adjusted value of **\$100** in South Dakota is \$113.64 vs. \$85.62 in Hawaii!

COST OF LIVING

South Dakota is considered one of the most reasonably priced places to reside.

COST OF LIVING

11%

LOWER

THAN THE NATIONAL AVERAGE

COST OF HOUSING

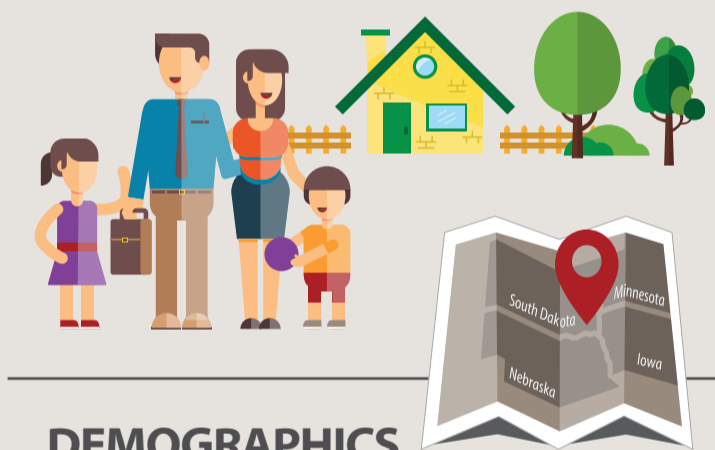
24%

LOWER

THAN THE NATIONAL AVERAGE

QUALITY OF LIFE

People in South Dakota are friendly, generous and family focused. The low cost of living provides a higher quality of life making South Dakota a great state to raise a family.



DEMOGRAPHICS

Centrally located in the heartland of the midwest, South Dakota has both small and large communities that are near metros with regional and national airports.

TAXES IN SOUTH DAKOTA

With no personal income tax, working in South Dakota means more money in your pocket.

STATE INCOME TAX

10%

LOWER

THAN THE NATIONAL AVERAGE

GENERAL SALES TAX

21%

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EDUCATION PAYS!

South Dakota's low cost of living and very competitive wages produces excellent average annual wages.

