

Renting and Buying a Home in Denver

Denver has steadily been growing for many years now. Near the heart of some of the best skiing in the world, and the capital city of Colorado, Denver seems to steadily be becoming a more exciting city with each passing day. This constant improvement in the area's culture and economic infrastructure has pushed the cost of living about ten percent higher than the national average. Fortunately for those looking to relocate there, most of that cost does not stem from high property values. The average price for a home last year was \$260,000. This makes it a considerably more expensive city to buy in than most other cities in the rocky mountains, but still much cheaper than most major [US cities](#).

Likewise, the median rental price was \$704. So, Denver is not a cheap city to live in, but it might feel that way for someone moving from Boston, New York or other pricey cities. The average income is also just a bit more than ten percent above the national average. The unemployment rate is about one percent above the national average.

There are a number of ways to find a [Denver apartment](#) or house to buy or rent here. Newspaper listings, while constantly shrinking due to the growth in online listings, are still popular here, even though they can't be efficiently searched. There are several online real estate companies that offer more complete services and extensive listings. All of them allow users to search listings by size and price, but few offer more possibilities than that. There is one website, though, that has an extremely in-depth set of search options, for both renting and buying. [City Cribs](#) – allows its users to search for a home by the details of the house that are important to them. If a potential buyer, for instance, is looking for a place with a balcony, they can search just among the homes in the area that have one. Or, if they are only interested in, say, a five-bedroom furnished apartment with laundry and parking, where landlords allow pets and there are no realtor fees, they can search for that, too. Even the results can be sorted and listed in six different ways.

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