

# MONTANA



**11th** happiest state

**Top 25%**  
of states

**Most like:**  
Idaho  
Wyoming

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**8 out of 10 say:**

"It's the best place to live"



**68%**

"My home makes me proud"



**57%**

"My home is my favorite place to be"



**73%**

"I plan to stay in my community for the next 5 years"

## What Makes Montana's Homeowners Happy?

Our research shows that homeowner happiness boils down to a combination of three important factors:

### 1. DWELLING

Affordable, well-functioning homes offering enjoyable accommodations



**33 years**

average home age

**80%**

have renovated their homes

**70%**

are happy with their home's size and layout

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say they have adequate storage

**\$186,000**

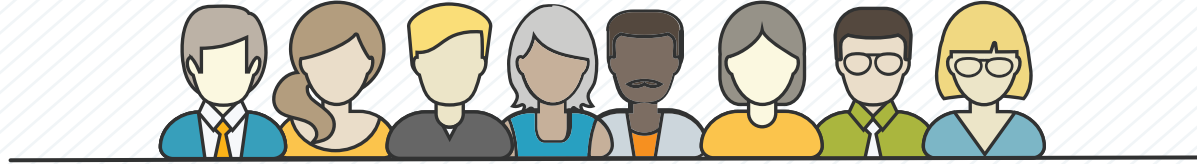
Average Home Price (U.S. Census)

**15%**

"The cost of living is reasonable"

### 2. COMMUNITY

A sense of diversity, safety and a strong neighborhood network



#### DIVERSITY

**43%**

"I feel that my community is racially diverse"

**44%**

"I feel that my community is religiously diverse"

#### SAFETY

**70%**

"I live in a community that makes me feel safe"

**66%**

"My community offers good fire, police and medical services"

#### NEIGHBORHOOD

**57%**

"I have neighbors I enjoy"

**68%**

"I trust my neighbors"

**1,032,949**

Population (U.S. Census)

### 3. ACCESSIBILITY

Practical commutes and access to important attractions and services



#### COMMUTING AND TRAVEL TIMES

**56%**

live and work in close proximity

**61%**

have a reasonable commute

**81%**

have easy access to highways

#### ACCESS TO ATTRACTIONS AND SERVICES

**85%**

live within one hour of a major metro area

**74%**

have access to shopping that meets their needs

**48%**

live close to body of water

**40 MINUTES**

Average travel time to work