

Integrating Sustainability Into City Planning

A nighttime photograph of a city waterfront, likely Zurich, Switzerland. The scene is illuminated by warm city lights, reflecting on the water. In the background, several prominent church spires and towers are visible, including the Grossmünster and St. Peter's Church. A bridge spans the river in the middle ground. The overall atmosphere is serene and historic.

Our own epoch is determining, day by day, it's own style. Our own eyes, unhappily, are unable yet to discern it.

- Le Corbusier

- L e C o r b u s i e r
- A l b e r t M e y e r
- E d w i n L u t y e n s
- R o l a n d C a s t r o
- G e o r g e s H a u s s m a n n
- J e a n N o u v e l
- L ' E n f a n t
- A n d r e w E l l i c o t







Mercer Report

39 Parameters for Quality of Life

- Relationship with Other Countries
- Internal Stability
- **Crime**
- **Law Enforcement**
- Ease of Entry and Exit
- Currency Exchange Regulations
- Banking Services
- Limitations on Personal Freedom
- Media and Censorship
- Hospital Services
- Infectious Diseases
- Medical Services
- **Water Potability**
- **Sewage**
- **Air Pollution**
- Troublesome and Destructive Animals and Insects
- **Schools**
- **Electricity**
- **Water Availability**
- **Telephone**
- Mail
- **Public Transport**
- **Traffic Congestion**
- **Airport**
- Variety of Restaurants
- Theatrical and Musical Performances
- Cinemas
- Sport and Leisure Activities
- Meat and Fish
- Fresh Fruits and Vegetables
- Daily Consumption Items
- Alcoholic Beverages
- Automobiles
- **Housing**
- Household Furniture and Appliances
- Household Maintenance and Repairs
- Climate
- Record of Natural Disasters

Ten Best

Rank 2009	Rank 2008	City	Country	QOL Index 2009	QOL Index 2008
1	2	Vienna	Austria	108.6	107.9
2	1	Zurich	Switzerland	108	108
3	2	Geneva	Switzerland	107.9	107.9
4	4	Vancouver	Canada	107.4	107.6
4	5	Auckland	New Zealand	107.4	107.3
6	6	Dusseldorf	Germany	107.2	107.2
7	7	Munich	Germany	107	107
8	7	Frankfurt	Germany	106.8	107
9	9	Bern	Switzerland	106.5	106.5
10	10	Sydney	Australia	106.3	106.3

Source: Mercer Quality of Life Survey, 2009

Ten Worst

Rank 2009	Rank 2008	City	Country	QOL Index 2009	QOL Index 2008
1	1	Baghdad	Iraq	14.4	13.5
2	2	Bangui	Central African Republic	29.3	29.3
3	5	Ndjamena	Chad	31.3	32.9
4	3	Brazzaville	Congo	31.6	29.5
5	4	Khartoum	Sudan	32.2	31
6	9	Sana'a	Yemen	34.3	38.2
7	6	Pointe Noire	Congo	35.1	33
8	10	Nouakchott	Mauritania	35.8	39.6
9	2	Kinshasa	Democratic Republic of Congo	36.3	36.3
10	14	Port-au-Prince	Haiti	38.3	39.8

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India's Best:

To Live	To Work	To Play
Gurgaon	Gurgaon	Chandigarh
Chandigarh	Noida	Chennai
Chennai	Chandigarh	Ahmedabad
Hyderabad	Surat	Kochi
Mumbai	Bangalore	Kolkata
Noida	Chennai	Vadodara
Bangalore	Hyderabad	Mumbai
Pune	Mumbai	Nagpur
Surat	Pune	Pune

Where Do We Stand Internationally?

Rank 2009	Rank 2008	City	QOL Index 2008	QOL Index 2009
142	140	Bangalore	64.4	64.4
145	145	Delhi	63	63.8
148	142	Mumbai	62.5	64.1
152	153	Chennai	61.5	61.6

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**What Can Be
Done**

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