



2023
**COST OF LIVING
INDEX COMPARISON**

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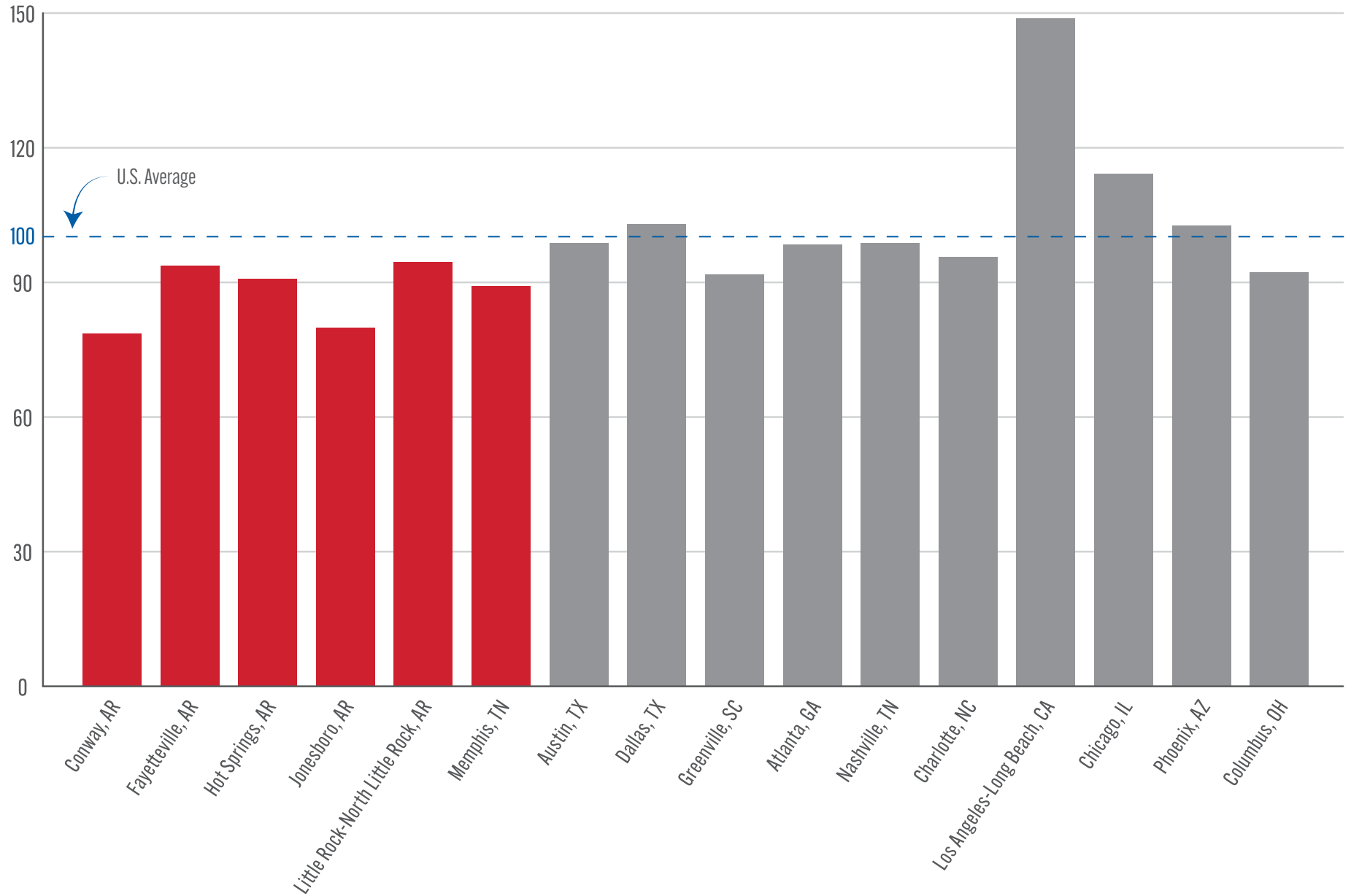
(2023 Annual Index)

METROPOLITAN AREA	COMPOSITE INDEX (100%)	GROCERY (14.73%)	HOUSING (27.97%)	UTILITIES (8.75%)	TRANSPORTATION (10.75%)	HEALTH CARE (4.59%)	MISC. GOODS AND SERVICES (33.27%)
Conway, AR	82.6	95.5	71.9	88.6	87.0	82.2	83.0
Fayetteville, AR	92.7	92.0	79.4	94.1	95.6	101.0	101.8
Hot Springs, AR	90.8	95.9	75.5	92.9	89.0	88.8	101.6
Jonesboro, AR	84.3	94.8	64.5	88.5	88.4	77.3	94.9
Little Rock-North Little Rock, AR	94.7	98.2	81.9	94.1	88.2	88.3	107.0
Memphis MSA	89.8	100.2	80.8	89.7	88.2	86.5	93.9
Austin, TX	98.9	97.6	108.3	94.9	88.7	98.2	95.9
Dallas, TX	102.1	100.1	97.3	111.4	88.6	108.3	108.0
Greenville, SC	90.8	98.3	71.7	92.2	90.3	99.6	102.0
Atlanta, GA	98.3	101.3	98.4	81.1	99.4	109.2	99.6
Nashville, TN	98.8	100.1	106.5	102.1	91.8	90.8	94.4
Charlotte, NC	96.5	100.3	88.2	88.8	93.6	110.6	102.7
Los Angeles-Long Beach, CA	148.9	112.2	234.5	112.4	124.3	107.9	116.2
Chicago, IL	113.4	103.5	137.0	89.2	107.2	107.7	107.0
Phoenix, AZ	101.9	104.2	115.8	99.0	102.0	94.0	91.0
Columbus, OH	91.8	103.5	84.3	95.3	90.3	85.2	93.5

Source: Cost of Living Index Quarterly Release, 2023; Reproduced Courtesy of Council for Community & Economic Research

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U.S. Average = 100

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COST OF LIVING BREAKDOWN - AVERAGE PRICES

(2023 Q2 Index)

ITEM	CONWAY	FAYETTEVILLE	HOT SPRINGS	JONESBORO	LITTLE ROCK - NORTH LITTLE ROCK	MEMPHIS MSA
STEAK	\$14.06	\$14.01	\$14.11	\$14.01	\$13.92	\$13.84
GROUND BEEF	\$5.81	\$5.15	\$5.34	\$6.05	\$5.76	\$6.20
SAUSAGE	\$4.70	\$4.59	\$4.66	\$4.63	\$4.86	\$5.02
FRIED CHICKEN	\$1.39	\$1.39	\$1.38	\$1.41	\$1.36	\$1.66
TUNA	\$1.13	\$1.12	\$1.15	\$1.11	\$1.17	\$1.20
GALLON MILK	\$4.52	\$4.52	\$4.52	\$4.49	\$4.65	\$4.67
DOZEN EGGS	\$4.04	\$3.73	\$3.89	\$3.82	\$4.23	\$4.35
MARGARINE	\$1.58	\$1.54	\$1.57	\$1.53	\$1.61	\$1.62
PARMESAN	\$4.13	\$4.16	\$4.23	\$4.33	\$4.37	\$4.49
POTATOES	\$5.22	\$5.23	\$5.34	\$5.22	\$5.31	\$5.02
BANANAS	\$0.70	\$0.53	\$0.72	\$0.69	\$0.72	\$0.69
LETTUCE	\$1.94	\$1.94	\$1.95	\$1.95	\$1.94	\$1.95
BREAD	\$3.80	\$3.66	\$3.79	\$3.72	\$3.93	\$3.98
ORANGE JUICE	\$4.39	\$4.37	\$4.33	\$4.44	\$4.42	\$4.47
COFFEE	\$5.76	\$5.63	\$5.76	\$5.69	\$5.75	\$5.70
SUGAR	\$3.72	\$3.65	\$3.70	\$4.01	\$3.99	\$4.30
CEREAL	\$5.15	\$5.07	\$5.11	\$5.12	\$5.11	\$5.13
SWEET PEAS	\$1.47	\$1.44	\$1.45	\$1.44	\$1.52	\$1.56
PEACHES	\$2.39	\$2.28	\$2.40	\$2.31	\$2.49	\$2.47

ITEM	CONWAY	FAYETTEVILLE	HOT SPRINGS	JONESBORO	LITTLE ROCK - NORTH LITTLE ROCK	MEMPHIS MSA
TISSUES	\$1.96	\$1.91	\$1.99	\$1.90	\$2.00	\$2.05
DETERGENT	\$19.03	\$18.78	\$18.89	\$18.59	\$19.26	\$19.57
COOKING OIL	\$6.88	\$6.51	\$6.73	\$6.59	\$7.37	\$7.59
FROZEN MEAL	\$3.41	\$3.29	\$3.48	\$3.26	\$3.67	\$3.80
FROZEN CORN	\$1.67	\$1.65	\$1.68	\$1.63	\$1.74	\$1.79
POTATO CHIPS	\$3.76	\$3.69	\$3.79	\$3.78	\$3.83	\$3.88
COKE	\$2.66	\$2.63	\$2.70	\$2.67	\$2.73	\$2.77
APARTMENT RENT	\$879	\$1,127	\$852	\$827	\$1,005	\$1,400
HOME PRICE	\$380,819	\$401,862	\$414,464	\$320,359	\$433,030	\$378,977
MORTGAGE RATE (%)	6.79	6.73	6.70	7.28	6.80	6.55
HOME PRINCIPAL + INTEREST	\$1,864	\$1,950	\$2,005	\$1,644	\$2,118	\$1,809
PART ELECTRICITY	\$64.77	\$85.90	\$84.78	\$63.83	\$80.94	\$97.96
OTHER ENERGY	\$86.05	\$80.68	\$78.97	\$87.08	\$86.05	\$63.21
TOTAL ENERGY	\$150.82	\$166.58	\$163.75	\$150.91	\$166.99	\$161.17
PHONE	\$203.29	\$205.55	\$204.07	\$202.72	\$205.18	\$192.18
TIRE BALANCING	\$52.21	\$66.08	\$51.88	\$52.43	\$53.11	\$51.47
GASOLINE	\$3.012	\$3.099	\$3.117	\$3.072	\$3.045	\$3.084
OPTOMETRIST	\$99.78	\$113.39	\$113.05	\$92.22	\$115.17	\$87.33
DOCTOR	\$108.55	\$185.50	\$121.20	\$99.44	\$132.33	\$108.51
DENTIST	\$83.89	\$94.42	\$93.91	\$87.02	\$81.53	\$96.95
IBUPROFEN	\$10.16	\$10.08	\$10.17	\$10.02	\$10.35	\$10.49

ITEM	CONWAY	FAYETTEVILLE	HOT SPRINGS	JONESBORO	LITTLE ROCK - NORTH LITTLE ROCK	MEMPHIS MSA
PRESCRIPTION DRUG	\$454.89	\$409.22	\$454.83	\$363.13	\$471.21	\$471.32
HAMBURGER	\$4.77	\$6.16	\$5.13	\$5.32	\$6.57	\$5.05
PIZZA	\$10.10	\$10.47	\$11.64	\$10.19	\$11.20	\$11.91
CHICKEN	\$3.82	\$4.63	\$4.92	\$4.99	\$5.72	\$4.77
HAIR CUT	\$21.65	\$26.67	\$22.59	\$18.22	\$28.72	\$23.91
BEAUTY SALON	\$45.00	\$54.14	\$43.68	\$24.22	\$47.61	\$45.13
TOOTHPASTE	\$3.68	\$3.75	\$3.59	\$3.67	\$3.61	\$3.58
SHAMPOO	\$1.08	\$1.07	\$1.06	\$1.06	\$1.17	\$1.19
DRY CLEAN	\$12.28	\$15.88	\$13.30	\$16.17	\$17.85	\$10.27
MEN'S SHIRT	\$32.77	\$27.33	\$30.64	\$37.41	\$36.07	\$36.40
BOY'S JEANS	\$20.89	\$24.00	\$24.08	\$24.54	\$33.00	\$28.29
WOMEN'S SLACKS	\$33.65	\$37.66	\$37.20	\$31.82	\$38.96	\$28.27
WASHER REPAIR	\$63.33	\$107.25	\$114.79	\$91.26	\$83.75	\$76.41
NEWSPAPER	\$6.95	\$34.00	\$34.34	\$20.37	\$34.00	\$11.11
MOVIE	\$11.50	\$11.78	\$13.11	\$12.30	\$13.35	\$14.09
YOGA	\$14.71	\$17.78	\$14.38	\$13.83	\$15.56	\$19.33
TENNIS BALLS	\$2.97	\$3.15	\$4.53	\$3.63	\$3.86	\$3.39
VET SERVICES	\$48.67	\$70.33	\$53.16	\$74.59	\$73.78	\$58.35
BEER	\$10.21	\$9.83	\$10.04	\$9.93	\$10.24	\$9.97
WINE	\$13.45	\$11.91	\$12.60	\$12.47	\$13.80	\$13.64

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