

## **Top 10 Mid-sized Markets for the Good Life**

Business Web site [Portfolio.com](http://Portfolio.com) has identified what it considers the best mid-sized markets.

The study compared 109 communities with populations between 250,000 and 750,000 in 20 categories, including healthy economies, moderate costs of living, light traffic, pleasant neighborhoods, and good schools.

Portfolio.com's Editor J. Jennings Moss said, "This companion study of best mid-sized places to live can serve as a resource for those who are trying to start a business in new territories by identifying the categories that define the best qualities of living."

These were the top-10 mid-sized metros with the best quality of life:

1. Boulder, Colo.
2. Provo, Utah
3. Fort Collins, Colo.
4. Madison, Wis.
5. Ogden, Utah
6. Holland, Mich.
7. Colorado Springs, Colo.
8. Ann Arbor, Mich.
9. Des Moines, Iowa
10. Manchester, N.H.

*Source: Portfolio.com (06/30/2010)*