

# THE 10 BEST STATES TO MAKE A LIVING

## AS AN EMT



### Idaho



**\$31,600**  
Average Salary

**3rd**  
Cost of living ranking

### Illinois



**\$47,580**  
Average Salary

**22nd**  
Cost of living ranking

### Iowa



**\$33,370**  
Average Salary

**13th**  
Cost of living ranking

### Louisiana



**\$35,859**  
Average Salary

**19th**  
Cost of living ranking

### Mississippi



**\$32,210**  
Average Salary

**1st**  
Cost of living ranking

### Missouri



**\$33,520**  
Average Salary

**11th**  
Cost of living ranking

### Tennessee



**\$32,970**  
Average Salary

**7th**  
Cost of living ranking

### Texas



**\$35,020**  
Average Salary

**15th**  
Cost of living ranking

### Utah



**\$34,270**  
Average Salary

**17th**  
Cost of living ranking

### Washington



**\$57,859**  
Average Salary

**35th**  
Cost of living ranking

#### Methodology:

- We took into consideration the Missouri Economic Research and Information Center Cost of Living Data , which compares the average cost of groceries, housing, utilities, transportation, health and miscellaneous costs in each state. This information paints a picture of relative affordability. Unfortunately, there was no cost of living data for New Mexico, so the rankings were out of 49 states: 1st place was the most affordable, and 49th place was the least affordable (Hawaii, we're looking at you).
- We also took into consideration salary data as reported by the Bureau of Labor Statistics to find out what the average salary of an EMT was from place to place.
- By comparing these two data sets, we were able to find the states where EMT's can earn the best living.

