



# 2013 LIVE. WORK. PLAY. METRICS REPORT

In 2010, AEDC's Board of Directors adopted the Live. Work. Play. vision:

**BY 2025, ANCHORAGE IS THE #1 CITY IN AMERICA TO LIVE. WORK. AND PLAY.**

Over the course of the last year, a grassroots effort was born with the creation of the narrative of what Anchorage will aspire to be in the year 2025. From this narrative, the initial metrics were chosen to measure how Anchorage compares against the largest cities in all 50 states and the District of Columbia. The numbers below represent the preliminary rankings for Anchorage in each category for 2012.

**LIVE. 8**  **+2**

**WORK. 3**  **-2**

**PLAY. 11**  **-3**

METRIC	2011	2012	chg	METRIC	2011	2012	chg	METRIC	2011	2012	chg
Violent crimes/1,000 residents	27	<b>26</b>	+1	Avg. monthly earnings	13	<b>15</b>	-2	Library visits per capita	44	<b>45</b>	-1
Property crimes/1,000 residents	13	<b>9</b>	+4	Median household income	1	<b>2</b>	-1	Acres of parkland per 1,000 residents	1	<b>1</b>	0
8th grade reading proficiency	7	n/a*	n/a*	% of pop. high school graduates or higher	8	<b>6</b>	+2	# of playgrounds per 10,000 residents	8	<b>9</b>	-1
8th grade math proficiency	14	n/a*	n/a*	% of pop. w/ bachelor's degree or higher	17	<b>28</b>	-11	Adults reporting to participate in physical activities in the last month	n/a	<b>2</b>	n/a
High school reading proficiency	8	n/a*	n/a*	% of commuters that uses public transportation to get to work	40	<b>34</b>	+6	Performing arts establishments per 100,000 residents	25	<b>20</b>	+5
High school math proficiency	12	n/a*	n/a*	Mean travel time to work	14	<b>15</b>	-1	Full service restaurants per 100,000 residents	23	<b>25</b>	-2
Share of homes affordable for median income households	24	<b>25</b>	-1	Avg. new hire earnings	8	<b>5</b>	+3	Museums, historical sites, Similar per 100,000 residents	3	<b>3</b>	0
% of pop. reporting health status as "good" or better	4	<b>1</b>	+3	Per capita personal income	3	<b>5</b>	-2	% of pop. neither overweight nor obese	26	<b>45</b>	-19
% of respondents w/ any type of health care coverage	35	<b>22</b>	+13	Taxes as a % of income (for \$50,000)	1	<b>5</b>	-4	# of healthy days for being active outdoors	1	<b>1</b>	0
Cost of living composite index	42	<b>42</b>	0	% of pop. below the poverty level	2	<b>1</b>	+1				
2 BR, 1 Bath 900 sq. ft. rental cost	32	<b>33</b>	-1	Unemployment rate	12	<b>17</b>	-5				
Diversity index	28	<b>27</b>	+1	Net job flows	33	<b>38</b>	-5				

For more information including the narrative, logo and metrics visit [AEDCweb.com](http://AEDCweb.com). Find Live. Work. Play. on [Facebook.com/AnchorageLWP](https://Facebook.com/AnchorageLWP)

\* As of Jan. 31, 2013 there is not enough information available to pull a complete ranking from. This data will be updated as soon as information becomes available.