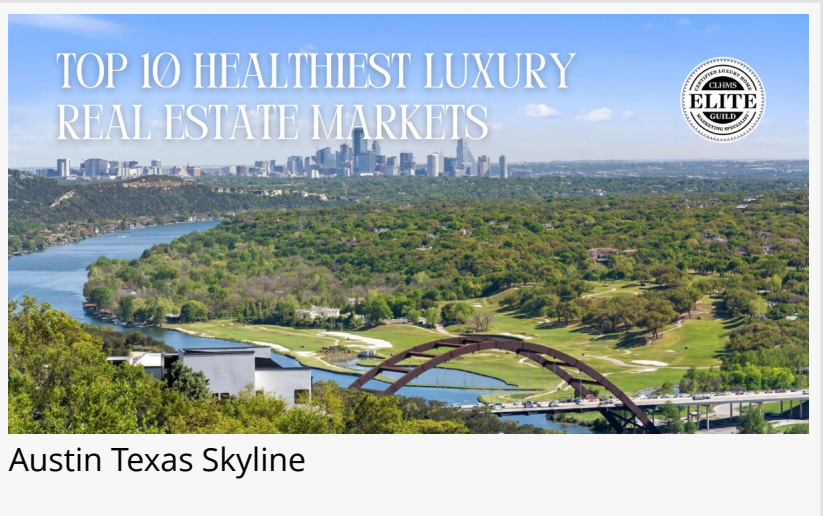


# New Data Identifies Austin as Leading Market for Luxury Real Estate Sustainability in 2026

*Luxury housing data highlights markets defined by balance, pricing stability and long-term demand*

AUSTIN, TX, UNITED STATES, February 10, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- As the U.S. luxury real estate market moves into 2026, new national data identifies the markets demonstrating the strongest long-term health and resilience. Based on luxury housing data from [The Institute for Luxury Home Marketing](#), Austin, Texas has



Austin Texas Skyline

been ranked the healthiest luxury real estate market in the United States heading into 2026.

Rather than focusing on speed, bidding wars, or short-term appreciation, the ranking defines a healthy luxury real estate market as one with balanced sales ratios, stable pricing without speculative spikes, inventory growth driven by confidence rather than distress, reasonable days on market and consistent demand supported by long-term economic and lifestyle fundamentals.

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*Megan Kirkpatrick*

Using these criteria, the following markets emerged as the Top 10 healthiest luxury real estate markets in the United States heading into 2026:

- 10 Marin County California
- 9 Scottsdale Arizona
- 8 Nashville Tennessee
- 7 Raleigh Durham North Carolina

- 6 Select Chicago Suburban Luxury Markets
- 5 Seattle Washington
- 4 Washington DC Metro Area
- 3 Silicon Valley California

2 Greater Boston Massachusetts

1 Austin Texas

Austin ranked number one not because it was the fastest market, but because it transitioned into a balanced luxury market earlier than many major metros while maintaining strong pricing and buyer depth. Inventory expanded without distress and a significant portion of high-end transactions occurred off market through private networks, underscoring demand beyond public MLS data.

“Healthy luxury markets today are defined by balance, not frenzy,” said [Megan Kirkpatrick](#), founding broker of [Ivy Residential Group](#) and an Elite member of The Institute for Luxury Home Marketing. “As we head into 2026, buyers and sellers are prioritizing predictability, long-term value and informed decision-making over short-term momentum.”

The ranking reflects a broader national shift toward sustainability and strategic behavior in luxury real estate as markets normalize following years of volatility.

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