

Melbourne-Facts

Quick facts about Melbourne

	Greater Melbourne	Greater Sydney	Greater New York City	Greater London	Berlin (Metropolitan region)
metropolitan area (km ²)	9,990.5	1,664	1,214	1,572	891.68
population	4,529,500	4,627,345	20,182,305	8,546,761	4,469,439
resident population	128,963 city centre	205,339 city centre	1,600,000 Manhattan	6,307 City of London	1,183,100 city centre
population by day	854,000 city centre	610,000 city centre	3,100,000 Manhattan	358,266 City of London	1,369,000 city centre

1a. Compare the metropolitan area of Melbourne to those of the other cities displayed in the table.

The Melbourne metropolitan area covers ... km². Sydney's area is much smaller / ... times smaller than

1b. How many people live in those five cities?

Melbourne, Sydney and ... have about the ... number of people / inhabitants. Greater New York City is ... times as big as ...

1c. Compare the cities' resident population to the population by day. Explain the differences and their effects.

In Melbourne's inner city there are just about ... who live there. During the day the number of people rises to as many as .../ During the day ... people use the city ... This means that ...

Where does the majority of people live? Why?

Rank	City	Country
1	Melbourne	Australia
2	Vienna	Austria
3	Vancouver	Canada
4	Toronto	Canada
5	Calgary	Canada
6	Adelaide	Australia
7	Perth	Australia
8	Auckland	New Zealand
9	Helsinki	Finland
10	Hamburg	Germany

source: The Economist

Melbourne is the world's most liveable city for the sixth year running!

2. Every year the British newspaper THE ECONOMIST (August 18 2016) publishes a list of the world's most and least liveable cities – that is, which locations around the world provide the best or the worst living conditions. In 2016 Melbourne topped the list for the sixth time in a row. The so called liveability index is based on data about stability, infrastructure, education, health care and environment.

2a. Find the top ten cities on a world map and comment on them. How do you feel about these most liveable cities in the world?

2b. What is most important for you? Do you live in a city or in the country or would you rather like to live in a city or in the country?

Form groups of up to four members and draw a placemat for your group. Everybody thinks about the topic of living in a big city or in the country and writes three or four ideas in one part of the placemat. After that share your ideas with your partners and agree on five things that everybody in your group thinks are most important. Write them in the centre of your placemat. Tell the class about your group's ideas. Discuss!

