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Best Small Places For Business And Careers #10 Blacksburg VA

03.19.08, 6:00 PM ET

Metro Area Population: 152,000

	RANK
Colleges ¹	9
Cost of Doing Business ²	33
Cost Of Living ³	46
Crime Rate ⁴	38
Culture & Leisure ⁵	113
Educational Attainment ⁶	29
Income Growth *	46
Job Growth *	107
Net Migration *	103
Overall	10



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¹Measure of 4-year colleges in area with extra credit for highly rated schools.
²Index based on cost of labor, energy, taxes and office space.
³Index based on cost of housing, utilities, transportation and other expenditures.
⁴Crimes per 100,000 residents.
⁵Index based on museums, theaters, golf course, sports teams and other activities.
⁶Share of Population over age 25 with a bachelor's degree or higher.
 * 5-year annualized figures.
 Sources: *Economy.com*; *Sperling's BestPlaces*.

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