Home to NASA Johnson Space Center, the Houston Spaceport and a strong commercial space sector, Houston is uniquely positioned to support the headquarters for the newly established U.S. Space Command. The region is also a strategic location for the U.S. Space Force to achieve its mission to protect U.S. national and allied interests and security in space.
HOUSTON'S IS A GREAT GLOBAL CITY

90+ foreign consulates

2 international airports

#1 metro exporter in the U.S.

1 FAA licensed commercial spaceport

WORLD-CLASS infrastructure

OVERVIEW

REGIONAL

7 MILLION residents

3.2 MILLION jobs

HOUSTON HAS ONE OF THE YOUNGEST, FASTEST GROWING AND MOST DIVERSE POPULATIONS ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD

HOUSTON IS WHERE INNOVATION AND INDUSTRY CONVERGE

ENERGY

LIFE SCIENCES

AEROSPACE

HOUSTON IS UNABASHEDLY PRO-GROWTH AND OPPORTUNITY RICH

Major corporate center with 22 Fortune 500 HQs

TOP METRO for new and expanded facilities

HOUSTON IS A GREAT GLOBAL CITY

Major corporate center with 22 Fortune 500 HQs
NASA'S JOHNSON SPACE CENTER HAS MADE HOUSTON THE EPICENTER OF HUMAN SPACE EXPLORATION FOR OVER 50 YEARS.

LARGE ECONOMIC IMPACT

- $4.61 B annual budget
- 11,000+ employees (contractors and federal)
- 90+ active agreements in place with all branches of U.S. Armed Forces

NASA's lead center for
- Life sciences research and application
- Astronaut selection and training
- Spaceflight mission control and ISS operations
- Spaceflight program management
- Large-scale spacecraft development
- Robotics and AI
**COMMERCIAL SPACE SECTOR**

**HOUSTON IS A LEADER IN THE EMERGING COMMERCIAL REALM OF SPACE FLIGHT.**

**HOUSTON HAS A LARGE POOL OF AEROSPACE TALENT AND EXPERTISE.**

| 23,000+ aerospace and aviation professionals | 500+ space, aviation, and aerospace related firms & institutions |

**HOUSTON IS HOME TO NEARLY 30 SPACE-RELATED INSTITUTIONS, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS, AND CONFERENCES.**

**Institutions**
- Greater Houston Partnership
- Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership
- Space Center Houston
- Lone Star Flight Museum
- Baker Institute for Public Policy
- Lunar Planetary Institute
- Rice Space Institute
- Aerospace Vehicle Systems Institute
- Houston Advanced Research Center
- Ken Kennedy Institute
- Nanosystems Engineering Research Center

**Professional Organizations and Associations**
- World Space Week Association
- Global Spaceport Alliance
- American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics
- Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers
- Experimental Aircraft Association
- Women in Aviation
- Students for the Exploration and Development of Space
- NASA Alumni League
- National Space Society
- Night Sky Network

**Space-Related Conferences**
- SpaceCom
- Commercial Spaceport Summit
- International Space Medicine Summit
- Lunar and Planetary Science Conference
- Space Exploration Educators Conference
- NASA Human Research Program Investigators Workshop
- Space Exploration Educators Conference
- National Business Aviation Association Houston Regional Forum
HOUSTON SPACEPORT POSITIONS HOUSTON AS A LEADER IN THE EMERGING COMMERCIAL REALM OF SPACE FLIGHT

Co-located at ELLINGTON AIRPORT

One of 12 FAA LICENSED SPACEPORTS in the world

Joint-agency base with strong military and NASA presence

Texas Army and Air National Guard – 147th Attack Wing gained by USAF Air Combat Command

Army Reserve – 75th Innovation Command

Navy Reserve

Marine Corps Reserve

Coast Guard Interagency Operations Center

NASA’s Flight Operations and Neutral Buoyancy Lab
THE HOUSTON REGION IS WIDELY REGARDED AS A MILITARY-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY

302,000
veterans live in Houston
(U.S. department of Veteran Affairs)

TOP 10
metro for veteran-owned businesses

A RANGE OF ORGANIZATIONS AND INSTITUTIONS ACTIVELY OFFER SUPPORT TO HOUSTON LARGE VETERAN POPULATION

American GI Forum National Veterans Outreach
American Legion
City of Houston Office of Veterans and Military Affairs
BAHEP Cares!
AMVETS
Combined Arms
Grace After Fire
Lone Star Veterans Association
Michael E. DeBakey VA Medical Center
Military Order of the Purple Hearth
PTSD Foundation of America
Camp Hope

Texas Veterans Commission
The United Service Organizations, Inc.
U.S. VETS
Texas Chapter Paralyzed Veterans of America
Texas Military Preparedness Commission
UpSkill Houston
VA Houston Regional Benefits Office
Veterans Evaluations Services
Veterans of Foreign Wars
Wounded Warrior Project
**Growing Innovation Ecosystem**

*Houston is well-known for world-changing innovations in energy, health care and aerospace.*

**Houston is also a thriving hub of digital technology**

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**Innovation Corridor is at the nucleus of Houston’s tech ecosystem**

- **4-Mile** expanse across the city’s dense urban core
- **The Ion** $100 million major innovation hub

Encompasses major business, academic and innovation centers
HOUSTON IS HOME TO A STRONG UNIVERSITY SYSTEM AND A LARGE SUPPLY OF YOUNG TALENT

- **5** nationally ranked universities and graduate schools
- **Nearly 350,000** educated millennials
- **240,000** STEM workers

HOUSTON HAS A STRONG SPACE EDUCATION AND RESEARCH ECOSYSTEM

- **San Jacinto College** opened The Edge Center at the Houston Spaceport, which focused on technical talent in composite manufacturing, mechatronics, and aerospace mechanics and electrical assembly
- **Rice University** is home to the Rice Space Institute and the world’s only Professional Science Masters in Space Studies
- **Texas A&M University** is home to 15 aerospace related programs and laboratories
- **University of Houston** is home to the world’s only program on Space Architecture
- **Baylor College of Medicine** is home to the world’s only Space Medicine pathway
- **The University of Texas Medical Branch** in Galveston is home to one of only five Aerospace Medicine programs and one of two Level-4 biocontainment laboratories in the U.S.
- **The University of Texas** is home to the Center for Space Research, and actively collaborates with Johnson Space Center in the areas of robotics, thermal shielding, advanced materials and avionics
- **Space Center Houston’s** Learning Innovation Center is among the nation’s leading science-education resources offering immersive learning experiences focused on STEM and America’s spaceflight program

STRONG TALENT PIPELINE
GREAT
QUALITY
OF LIFE

THE HOUSTON REGION OFFERS A LOW COST OF LIVING WHILE MAINTAINING AN INCREDIBLY HIGH QUALITY OF LIFE WITH THE AMENITIES YOU EXPECT TO FIND IN A WORLD-CLASS CITY

LOWEST COST OF LIVING among the 10 most populous U.S. metros

HOUSING COSTS significantly below the major metro average

HOUSTON IS HOME TO THE WORLD-RENOWED HEALTHCARE

World’s LARGEST medical complex Texas Medical Center

Some of the BEST hospitals and universities in the nation (U.S. News and World Report)

HOUSTON IS HOME TO AN ACCLAIMED AND EXTENSIVE CULTURAL SCENE

RENOVED museums and cultural centers

Resident PERFORMING ARTS organizations

MAJOR LEAGUE sporting teams

HOUSTON IS ONE OF GREENEST CITIES IN THE U.S.

Nationally recognized GREEN SPACE renaissance

WALKABLE neighborhoods 500 miles of interconnected bikeways

380 developed city parks

Home to two of the nation’s 10 largest urban PUBLIC PARKS