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Dallas is the third largest city in Texas and the ninth largest city in the United States, with an area of 997 square kilometers. In fact, the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex (DFW) is composed of Dallas and surrounding cities such as Fort Worth and Arlington, covers 13 counties in total and forms the fourth largest metropolitan area in the United States. According to the 2018 census, the population of DFW reached 7.53 million people, and it also happens to be the region with the largest number of new immigrants in the United States. There was a total of 130,000 new residents, which is an increase of 1.8% of the total population. In addition, the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport, which is the second largest airport in the United States, is located here. The area of the airport alone is larger than the entire Manhattan Island, and every city in the contiguous United States can be reached within 4 hours by plane, making it the busiest international transportation hub in the state of Texas.

The economy in Dallas is mainly made up of industries such as banking, aviation, insurance, telecommunications, petroleum, energy, healthcare, medical research, transportation and logistics. According to the statistics by Fortune Magazine, at least 16 of the Fortune Global 500 have their headquarters in Dallas, and 24 are located within the DFW area. This metropolitan area dominates the overall economy of not just the Northern region, but the entire state of Texas.

In terms of real estate, Zillow, an online database company of real estate in the United States, estimates that since 2018, real estate prices in Dallas have risen by 16.70%. At the same time, statistics from another online data company NeighborhoodScout, shows that the price of Dallas' real estate has increased by 59.88% in the past 10 years, and the rate of appreciation is among the top 10 in the United States. In addition to the rapid development of Dallas in recent years, its mercantilism provided a broad platform for the local industries and has become a good choice for corporate investment, attracting wealthy and people with high salaries to settle in the area.

Dallas is also the main cultural, shopping and entertainment center of Texas. The city offers a wide range of amenities, from historical museums, art galleries and concert halls suitable for in-depth visits, to aquariums, amusement parks and shopping centers that can be enjoyed by families. Dallas is located in the subtropical climate zone and with its four distinct seasons and pleasant climate, it has long been recognized for being an outstanding city. Dallas is ranked 18th in the list of the Best Places to Live in the U.S. published by the U.S. News & World Report, placing higher than even well-known cities like New York, Los Angeles, and Chicago. Dallas' charms are therefore, self-evident.