

## 21. Clifton, New Jersey

- > **Population:** 85,920
- > **Median home value:** \$322,900
- > **Poverty rate:** 9.0%
- > **Pct. with at least a bachelor's degree:** 34.6%
- > **Amenities per 100,000 residents:** 265.4

Over the 10 years through 2014, Clifton's population spiked by over 18%. Poverty is relatively low in Clifton with 9% of residents living in poverty compared to a poverty rate of more than 11% across the state. Clifton is located just less than 20 miles away from the largest city in the United States. Due in part to Clifton's proximity to New York City, residents have access to 11 area airports, more than in any other city in the country. Additionally, just over 15% of Clifton residents commute using public transportation, indicative of a relatively well-developed infrastructure.

While Clifton ranks among the most livable U.S. cities, the cost of living is high. Across the board, goods and services cost 28% more on average than they do across the United States.

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#### Overall Scores

Economy	93.2
Crime	99.4
Education	37.7
Housing	97.3
Environment	81.0
Leisure	28.2
Infrastructure	46.0
Health	56.1