

List reveals the top 10 best places in the world to retire

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Retiring abroad can offer more affordable health care and better quality of life (if you're willing to drop everything and move, that is).

Here are the top locations for retirement around the world, as reported by [MarketWatch](#), and based on the Natixis Global Retirement Index.

[The Natixis Global Retirement Index](#) ranks retirement security in 150 countries. [MarketWatch explains](#): "The study, tapping data from the World Bank, World Health Organization and elsewhere, ranks countries on criteria such as access to health care, life expectancy, unemployment, income equality, tax burden, savings yields, investment environment, the country's overall financial stability, and quality of life, including whether the country provides "a clean, safe environment in which to live," according to the report." (You can check out the full 2015 report [here](#).)

Natixis reports that, "For the third consecutive year, the U.S. placed 19th among the 150 nations on the list, as benefits of the U.S. economic recovery offset growing demand on government finances. France was 18th, with the U.K. placing 22nd."

Check out the top 10 places for retirement security below:

1. Switzerland

- Strong economy and banking system
- Mandatory pension system

2. Norway

- Universal health care system
- Strong material well-being

3. Australia

- Strong retirement savings program
- Strong economy and banking system

4. Iceland

- Bright economic outlook
- Improvement in banking sector

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5. Netherlands

- Improved economy
- Strong material well-being

6. Sweden

- High quality of life
- Quality natural environment

7. Denmark

- Relatively high per capita income
- Narrow income gap among citizens

8. Austria

- Ranked No. 1 in health care

9. Germany

- Low income inequality
- Strong health care system

10. New Zealand

- Improving income equality
- Strong health care system

Of course this isn't the only list claiming to have found the 'best' spot to retire. [International Living's "World's Best Retirement Destinations for 2015"](#) begs to disagree with Natixis. In January, [IL](#) awarded Ecuador the honor of being called the "The World's Number 1 Retirement Haven."

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