

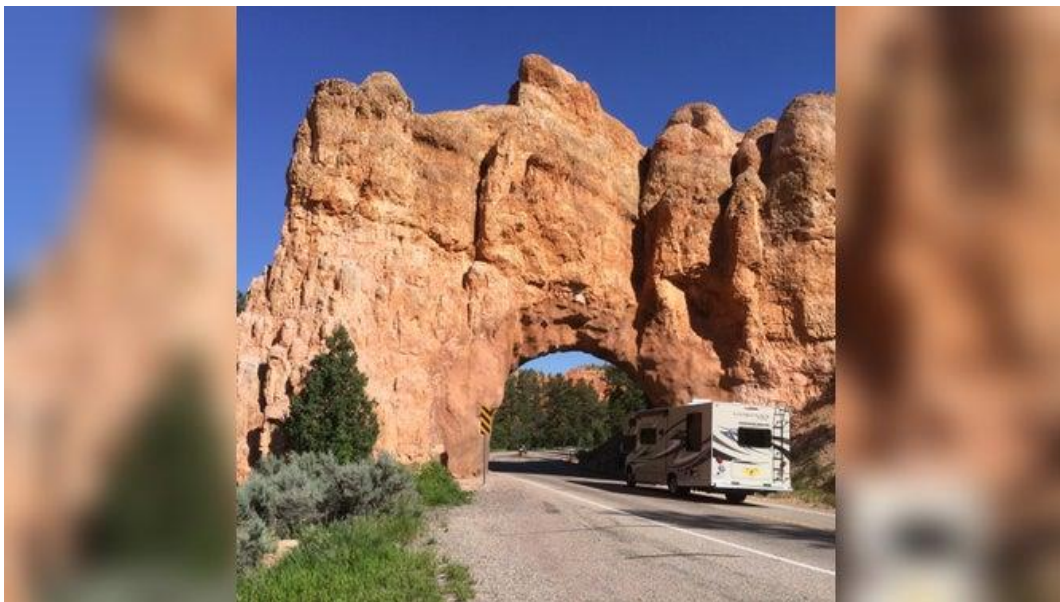
# Which states offer the biggest bang for your summer-vacation buck?

There are so many considerations when planning summer travel, and the top one is usually budget. Take a look at the best value vacation destinations across the U.S.

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Summer is here. The kids are home and bored. You want a vacation but don't want it to cost an arm and a leg. One company researched states with the most attractions per square mile at the most reasonable price and even factored in weather.

Cloudbeds commissioned analysts to search travel review sites, online travel sites and official government reports to find places that offer the best value vacations through the summer. They took a look at the prices of more than 90,000 hotels, average summer weather, number of bars and clubs, public transportation and 36 other factors to take the guesswork out of planning.



File: An RV passes through the arch in Red Canyon, Dixie National Forest, Utah (Getty Images)

Some of the factors included the average price of a room, plus the number and cost of attractions. They split the list into four categories: Attractions, transport, hotels and weather.

Here at FOX Weather, of course, weather is our top consideration. If weather is yours too, [California](#) is your spot. The Golden State scored top marks with 68.91 points awarded out of 100 for amount of [Sun](#), temperature, average [wind](#), [weather extremes](#), chance of [rain](#), average [cloud](#) cover and more. [FOX Weather's FutureView](#) is an easy planning tool that provides a forecast for any destination up to a year in advance.

Cloudbeds considered more though and ranked [Florida](#) the number one value vacation destination. Here is a quick look at the top 10.

## 7. Rhode Island

This tiny state is chock-full of attractions per land area. With only 1,214 square miles, vacationers are never far from something to do. It has 66 bars and clubs, 10 water parks and 54 historic sites. The small footprint is also easy to get around, the Ocean State comes in eighth for transport. The weather ranking is not very impressive at 41st.



File: Aerial view of Newport Rhode Island on ocean shows historic mansions.

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