

(Archive) Safest Places to Live in California 2016

This is an archived document of the Safest Places in California in 2016.

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(The list of Safest Places in 2016 was based on [2015 FBI Crime Score](#)).

50 Safest Places in California 2016

Rank	City	Population	Total Number of Crimes	Crime score
1.	Hillsborough	11,559	1	0.09
2.	Los Altos	30,598	6	0.20
3.	Orinda	19,311	5	0.26
4.	Mill Valley	14,527	4	0.28
5.	Imperial	17,338	5	0.29
6.	Laguna Woods	16,501	5	0.30
7.	San Ramon	76,081	27	0.35
8.	Danville	44,401	16	0.36
9.	Moraga	17,284	7	0.40
10.	Pacific Grove	15,734	7	0.44
11.	Palos Verdes Estates	13,739	7	0.51
12.	Lafayette	25,886	14	0.54
13.	Irvine	258,198	144	0.56
14.	Yorba Linda	68,698	39	0.57
15.	Saratoga	31,239	18	0.58
16.	Lincoln	46,663	28	0.60
17.	Foster City	33,313	20	0.60
18.	Calabasas	24,505	15	0.61
19.	Canyon Lake	11,112	7	0.63
20.	Murrieta	109,495	69	0.63
21.	Aliso Viejo	50,751	32	0.63
22.	Eastvale	57,808	40	0.69
23.	Agoura Hills	20,970	15	0.72
24.	Laguna Niguel	66,035	49	0.74
25.	Carpinteria	13,829	11	0.80
26.	La Palma	16,001	13	0.81
27.	Poway	50,327	44	0.87
28.	Mission Viejo	98,217	86	0.88

29.	Rancho Santa Margarita	49,719	44	0.88
30.	Chino Hills	77,515	70	0.90
31.	Clayton	11,879	11	0.93
32.	Folsom	76,183	71	0.93
33.	Belmont	27,377	26	0.95
34.	Menlo Park	33,619	32	0.95
35.	Rancho Palos Verdes	42,993	41	0.95
36.	La Canada Flintridge	20,763	20	0.96
37.	Glendale	202,298	195	0.96
38.	Seal Beach	24,800	24	0.97
39.	Moorpark	35,804	35	0.98
40.	Sierra Madre	11,226	11	0.98
41.	Los Gatos	31,044	31	1.00
42.	Palo Alto	67,560	68	1.01
43.	Diamond Bar	57,085	58	1.02
44.	Walnut	30,469	31	1.02
45.	Milpitas	75,520	77	1.02
46.	Temecula	111,673	114	1.02
47.	Benicia	28,159	29	1.03
48.	Cupertino	61,162	63	1.03
49.	Coronado	25,138	26	1.03
50.	Sunnyvale	152,443	158	1.04

All Cities in California

Elite Personal Finance made a detailed analysis of all cities in California and divided them into the following categories:

- under 3,000 residents
- 3,000 – 10,000 residents
- 10,000 – 30,000 residents
- 30,000 to 100,000 residents
- over 100,000 residents

Under 3,000 residents

Rank	City	Population	Total Number of Crimes	Crime score
1.	Belvedere	2,144	0	0.00
2.	Ross	2,500	0	0.00
3.	Lake Shastina	2,529	1	0.40

4.	Hidden Hills	1,935	1	0.52
5.	Rolling Hills	1,912	1	0.52
6.	Montague	1,385	1	0.72
7.	Ferndale	1,362	1	0.73
8.	Bradbury	1,097	1	0.91
9.	Stallion Springs	2,611	3	1.15
10.	Dunsmuir	1,557	2	1.28
11.	Etna	705	1	1.42
12.	Tulelake	983	2	2.03
13.	Westmorland	2,278	5	2.19
14.	Fort Jones	680	2	2.94
15.	Del Rey Oaks	1,696	5	2.95
16.	Isleton	834	4	4.80
17.	Sutter Creek	2,457	12	4.88
18.	Dorris	894	5	5.59
19.	Colma	1,531	12	7.84
20.	Weed	2,836	31	10.93
21.	Alturas	2,566	35	13.64
22.	Biggs	1,712	24	14.02
23.	Irwindale	1,433	27	18.84
24.	Sand City	339	13	38.35
25.	Vernon	115	28	243.48
26.	Industry	206	68	330.10

3,000 – 10,000 residents

Rank	City	Population	Total Number of Crimes	Crime score
1.	Monte Sereno	3,582	0	0.00
2.	Los Altos Hills	8,485	1	0.12
3.	Villa Park	6,002	1	0.17
4.	Kensington	5,329	1	0.19
5.	Wheatland	3,482	1	0.29
6.	La Habra Heights	5,500	2	0.36
7.	Atherton	7,205	3	0.42
8.	Westlake Village	8,522	6	0.70
9.	Buellton	5,097	4	0.78
10.	Ojai	7,665	7	0.91
11.	Bear Valley	5,428	5	0.92
12.	Indian Wells	5,279	5	0.95
13.	Tiburon	9,288	9	0.97
14.	Colusa	5,937	6	1.01

15.	Ione	6,804	7	1.03
16.	Sebastopol	7,725	8	1.04
17.	Rolling Hills Estates	8,296	9	1.08
18.	Mount Shasta	3,258	4	1.23
19.	Guadalupe	7,318	9	1.23
20.	Escalon	7,449	11	1.48
21.	Waterford	8,800	13	1.48
22.	St. Helena	6,028	9	1.49
23.	Orange Cove	9,715	15	1.54
24.	Fairfax	7,686	13	1.69
25.	Cloverdale	8,839	15	1.70
26.	Mammoth Lakes	7,955	14	1.76
27.	Hughson	7,377	13	1.76
28.	Brisbane	4,696	9	1.92
29.	Williams	5,205	10	1.92
30.	Sausalito	7,182	14	1.95
31.	Solvang	5,571	11	1.97
32.	Calimesa	8,553	17	1.99
33.	Calistoga	5,338	11	2.06
34.	Del Mar	4,346	10	2.30
35.	Yountville	3,030	7	2.31
36.	Holtville	6,376	15	2.35
37.	Pismo Beach	7,998	20	2.50
38.	Carmel	3,913	10	2.56
39.	Orland	7,549	22	2.91
40.	Rio Dell	3,378	10	2.96
41.	Avalon	3,820	12	3.14
42.	Jackson	4,593	15	3.27
43.	Winters	7,023	24	3.42
44.	Broadmoor	4,382	16	3.65
45.	Rio Vista	8,250	32	3.88
46.	Cotati	7,469	32	4.28
47.	Gustine	5,726	25	4.37
48.	Fort Bragg	7,310	33	4.51
49.	City of Angels	3,738	17	4.55
50.	Gonzales	8,507	39	4.58
51.	Nevada City	3,020	14	4.64
52.	Needles	4,998	25	5.00
53.	Woodlake	7,751	39	5.03
54.	Huron	6,818	38	5.57
55.	Corning	7,527	44	5.85
56.	Lakeport	4,781	29	6.07
57.	Crescent City	6,599	41	6.21

58.	Firebaugh	8,484	53	6.25
59.	Yreka	7,507	47	6.26
60.	Taft	8,819	58	6.58
61.	Willows	6,074	40	6.59
62.	Fowler	6,144	46	7.49
63.	Sonora	4,779	42	8.79
64.	Dos Palos	5,112	50	9.78
65.	Bishop	3,833	38	9.91
66.	Big Bear Lake	5,209	54	10.37
67.	Willits	4,856	66	13.59
68.	Gridley	6,580	113	17.17

10,000 – 30,000 residents

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1.	Hillsborough	11,559	1	0.09
2.	Orinda	19,311	5	0.26
3.	Mill Valley	14,527	4	0.28
4.	Imperial	17,338	5	0.29
5.	Laguna Woods	16,501	5	0.30
6.	Moraga	17,284	7	0.40
7.	Pacific Grove	15,734	7	0.44
8.	Palos Verdes Estates	13,739	7	0.51
9.	Lafayette	25,886	14	0.54
10.	Calabasas	24,505	15	0.61
11.	Canyon Lake	11,112	7	0.63
12.	Agoura Hills	20,970	15	0.72
13.	Carpinteria	13,829	11	0.80
14.	La Palma	16,001	13	0.81
15.	Clayton	11,879	11	0.93
16.	Belmont	27,377	26	0.95
17.	La Canada Flintridge	20,763	20	0.96
18.	Seal Beach	24,800	24	0.97
19.	Sierra Madre	11,226	11	0.98
20.	Benicia	28,159	29	1.03
21.	Coronado	25,138	26	1.03
22.	Piedmont	11,372	12	1.06
23.	Ripon	15,126	16	1.06
24.	Solana Beach	13,448	15	1.12
25.	Loma Linda	23,985	27	1.13
26.	South Pasadena	26,287	30	1.14

27.	Hercules	25,326	31	1.22
28.	Truckee	16,331	20	1.22
29.	San Marino	13,491	17	1.26
30.	Healdsburg	11,744	16	1.36
31.	Riverbank	24,061	35	1.45
32.	Newman	10,881	16	1.47
33.	Los Alamitos	11,789	18	1.53
34.	Albany	19,723	34	1.72
35.	Norco	26,925	49	1.82
36.	Scotts Valley	11,926	22	1.84
37.	Malibu	13,033	25	1.92
38.	Arroyo Grande	18,071	35	1.94
39.	Oakdale	22,137	43	1.94
40.	Avenal	12,859	25	1.94
41.	Paradise	26,514	52	1.96
42.	Placerville	10,601	21	1.98
43.	Soledad	25,170	53	2.11
44.	Grand Terrace	12,502	27	2.16
45.	Hermosa Beach	19,986	44	2.20
46.	Rancho Mirage	18,156	41	2.26
47.	Kerman	14,595	33	2.26
48.	Patterson	21,410	50	2.34
49.	Kingsburg	11,813	28	2.37
50.	El Segundo	17,164	41	2.39
51.	Marina	21,094	51	2.42
52.	Grover Beach	13,589	33	2.43
53.	Exeter	10,611	26	2.45
54.	Maywood	28,070	73	2.60
55.	Port Hueneme	22,249	61	2.74
56.	Suisun City	29,539	81	2.74
57.	Capitola	10,201	28	2.74
58.	Galt	25,106	70	2.79
59.	Dixon	19,357	54	2.79
60.	American Canyon	20,687	58	2.80
61.	Sonoma	11,107	32	2.88
62.	Farmersville	10,835	32	2.95
63.	South Lake Tahoe	21,558	65	3.02
64.	Fortuna	11,876	36	3.03
65.	Arcata	17,789	54	3.04
66.	Atascadero	29,316	90	3.07
67.	Windsor	27,565	85	3.08
68.	Auburn	14,118	45	3.19
69.	Cudahy	24,410	78	3.20

70.	Lomita	20,893	67	3.21
71.	Imperial Beach	27,341	88	3.22
72.	Laguna Beach	23,485	76	3.24
73.	Duarte	22,171	72	3.25
74.	Twentynine Palms	26,105	86	3.29
75.	Tehachapi	12,971	44	3.39
76.	Shafter	17,690	63	3.56
77.	Pinole	19,284	72	3.73
78.	San Fernando	24,823	94	3.79
79.	Chowchilla	18,978	74	3.90
80.	El Cerrito	24,842	97	3.90
81.	Livingston	14,007	58	4.14
82.	Morro Bay	10,620	46	4.33
83.	Lindsay	13,579	59	4.34
84.	McFarland	13,848	61	4.40
85.	King City	13,755	61	4.43
86.	Corcoran	22,435	104	4.64
87.	Lemoore	25,348	118	4.66
88.	Ridgecrest	28,989	136	4.69
89.	Blythe	18,961	90	4.75
90.	Santa Fe Springs	17,867	85	4.76
91.	Monterey	28,491	136	4.77
92.	Sanger	24,933	120	4.81
93.	Artesia	16,988	84	4.94
94.	Signal Hill	11,655	58	4.98
95.	Fillmore	15,519	82	5.28
96.	Brawley	26,023	146	5.61
97.	Hawaiian Gardens	14,629	86	5.88
98.	Greenfield	17,061	101	5.92
99.	Lemon Grove	26,798	161	6.01
100.	South El Monte	20,679	125	6.04
101.	East Palo Alto	29,864	181	6.06
102.	Eureka	26,858	166	6.18
103.	Parlier	15,106	95	6.29
104.	Coalinga	16,073	105	6.53
105.	Oroville	16,289	108	6.63
106.	Atwater	29,219	197	6.74
107.	Reedley	25,711	174	6.77
108.	Marysville	12,264	85	6.93
109.	Yucca Valley	21,672	151	6.97
110.	Commerce	13,137	93	7.08
111.	Arvin	20,902	149	7.13
112.	Dinuba	24,223	175	7.22

113.	Selma	24,532	188	7.66
114.	Clearlake	15,044	117	7.78
115.	Mendota	11,470	90	7.85
116.	Desert Hot Springs	28,416	232	8.16
117.	Red Bluff	14,045	118	8.40
118.	Anderson	10,277	88	8.56
119.	Grass Valley	12,883	115	8.93
120.	California City	13,218	121	9.15
121.	Ukiah	15,969	153	9.58
122.	Susanville	15,045	173	11.50
123.	Barstow	23,700	283	11.94
124.	Emeryville	11,549	153	13.25

30,000 – 100,000 residents

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1.	Los Altos	30,598	6	0.20
2.	San Ramon	76,081	27	0.35
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4.	Yorba Linda	68,698	39	0.57
5.	Saratoga	31,239	18	0.58
6.	Lincoln	46,663	28	0.60
7.	Foster City	33,313	20	0.60
8.	Aliso Viejo	50,751	32	0.63
9.	Eastvale	57,808	40	0.69
10.	Laguna Niguel	66,035	49	0.74
11.	Poway	50,327	44	0.87
12.	Mission Viejo	98,217	86	0.88
13.	Rancho Santa Margarita	49,719	44	0.88
14.	Chino Hills	77,515	70	0.90
15.	Folsom	76,183	71	0.93
16.	Menlo Park	33,619	32	0.95
17.	Rancho Palos Verdes	42,993	41	0.95
18.	Moorpark	35,804	35	0.98
19.	Los Gatos	31,044	31	1.00
20.	Palo Alto	67,560	68	1.01
21.	Diamond Bar	57,085	58	1.02
22.	Walnut	30,469	31	1.02
23.	Milpitas	75,520	77	1.02
24.	Cupertino	61,162	63	1.03
25.	Rocklin	61,105	64	1.05

26.	Glendora	51,753	55	1.06
27.	Wildomar	36,154	39	1.08
28.	Pleasanton	79,611	86	1.08
29.	Cypress	49,560	56	1.13
30.	Central Marin	35,272	40	1.13
31.	Fountain Valley	57,392	66	1.15
32.	Arcadia	58,694	68	1.16
33.	Dublin	57,148	68	1.19
34.	San Clemente	65,755	79	1.20
35.	Monrovia	37,618	47	1.25
36.	Newport Beach	87,749	112	1.28
37.	Walnut Creek	68,530	91	1.33
38.	Martinez	37,923	51	1.34
39.	Lake Forest	80,798	109	1.35
40.	Laguna Hills	31,139	43	1.38
41.	Davis	67,034	95	1.42
42.	Menifee	87,051	125	1.44
43.	Placentia	52,753	76	1.44
44.	Burlingame	30,672	45	1.47
45.	Santee	57,934	86	1.48
46.	La Mirada	49,685	74	1.49
47.	Goleta	31,011	47	1.52
48.	Tustin	81,953	130	1.59
49.	Morgan Hill	43,154	71	1.65
50.	Dana Point	34,312	57	1.66
51.	La Habra	62,488	104	1.66
52.	Monterey Park	61,750	103	1.67
53.	Oakley	40,163	68	1.69
54.	Camarillo	67,325	114	1.69
55.	Pacifica	39,531	68	1.72
56.	Yucaipa	53,498	94	1.76
57.	Claremont	36,331	64	1.76
58.	Tracy	86,477	154	1.78
59.	San Marcos	95,314	171	1.79
60.	San Juan Capistrano	36,666	66	1.80
61.	Temple City	36,524	66	1.81
62.	Cerritos	50,238	91	1.81
63.	Novato	55,782	103	1.85
64.	Alameda	78,613	148	1.88
65.	Brentwood	58,398	110	1.88
66.	Brea	42,043	80	1.90
67.	Manhattan Beach	36,065	70	1.94
68.	Alhambra	86,175	168	1.95

69.	Paso Robles	31,659	62	1.96
70.	La Quinta	40,554	80	1.97
71.	Encinitas	62,909	126	2.00
72.	Mountain View	80,705	164	2.03
73.	La Verne	32,595	68	2.09
74.	Campbell	41,544	88	2.12
75.	Pleasant Hill	34,829	74	2.12
76.	Cathedral City	53,947	117	2.17
77.	San Gabriel	40,714	89	2.19
78.	Covina	49,300	108	2.19
79.	Lake Elsinore	61,871	137	2.21
80.	Newark	45,258	101	2.23
81.	Redwood City	84,415	190	2.25
82.	Palm Desert	51,847	117	2.26
83.	South San Francisco	67,843	157	2.31
84.	San Dimas	34,955	81	2.32
85.	Perris	75,036	178	2.37
86.	San Bruno	43,499	105	2.41
87.	Montebello	64,280	158	2.46
88.	Ceres	47,693	122	2.56
89.	Chino	86,344	221	2.56
90.	Vacaville	96,693	249	2.58
91.	Jurupa Valley	99,706	260	2.61
92.	Livermore	88,316	233	2.64
93.	Redondo Beach	68,492	185	2.70
94.	Lakewood	82,047	222	2.71
95.	Whittier	87,807	238	2.71
96.	Rosemead	55,231	155	2.81
97.	Seaside	34,459	97	2.81
98.	Beverly Hills	35,054	99	2.82
99.	San Jacinto	47,022	133	2.83
100.	Buena Park	83,684	237	2.83
101.	Manteca	75,019	213	2.84
102.	La Puente	40,958	119	2.91
103.	Redlands	71,078	212	2.98
104.	Upland	76,581	232	3.03
105.	Pico Rivera	64,551	199	3.08
106.	Santa Paula	30,710	96	3.13
107.	Bell Gardens	43,411	137	3.16
108.	Beaumont	43,626	138	3.16
109.	Hesperia	93,348	302	3.24
110.	Apple Valley	72,173	234	3.24
111.	Pittsburg	69,340	225	3.24

112.	Westminster	92,640	303	3.27
113.	Yuba City	65,974	216	3.27
114.	La Mesa	59,676	196	3.28
115.	Porterville	55,760	186	3.34
116.	Colton	54,503	185	3.39
117.	Coachella	44,953	153	3.40
118.	Vista	99,097	343	3.46
119.	Azusa	49,431	173	3.50
120.	Los Banos	37,395	131	3.50
121.	Chico	89,949	317	3.52
122.	Union City	74,648	265	3.55
123.	Gilroy	53,467	192	3.59
124.	Hollister	37,604	137	3.64
125.	Highland	55,011	202	3.67
126.	Napa	80,749	298	3.69
127.	El Centro	44,033	164	3.72
128.	Baldwin Park	77,538	299	3.86
129.	Stanton	38,921	152	3.91
130.	Culver City	39,890	156	3.91
131.	Santa Barbara	91,877	363	3.95
132.	San Rafael	59,598	236	3.96
133.	Petaluma	60,450	244	4.04
134.	San Luis Obispo	47,116	193	4.10
135.	Delano	52,534	219	4.17
136.	Calexico	40,085	169	4.22
137.	Citrus Heights	86,853	385	4.43
138.	San Leandro	90,438	412	4.56
139.	Woodland	57,911	265	4.58
140.	Carson	93,677	433	4.62
141.	Bellflower	78,635	373	4.74
142.	Santa Monica	93,796	445	4.74
143.	Rancho Cordova	70,955	344	4.85
144.	Tulare	62,475	303	4.85
145.	Rohnert Park	42,622	207	4.86
146.	Gardena	60,782	301	4.95
147.	Paramount	55,727	283	5.08
148.	Turlock	71,895	380	5.29
149.	National City	60,768	327	5.38
150.	Watsonville	53,581	303	5.65
151.	Montclair	38,899	221	5.68
152.	Hanford	55,299	315	5.70
153.	Lynwood	72,398	414	5.72
154.	South Gate	96,775	561	5.80

155.	Lawndale	33,605	196	5.83
156.	Lodi	64,369	377	5.86
157.	Palm Springs	47,388	279	5.89
158.	West Sacramento	52,622	311	5.91
159.	Bell	36,395	221	6.07
160.	Banning	31,030	197	6.35
161.	Adelanto	33,005	212	6.42
162.	Huntington Park	59,668	386	6.47
163.	Redding	92,020	614	6.67
164.	Indio	87,195	585	6.71
165.	Madera	64,127	450	7.02
166.	Hawthorne	88,410	628	7.10
167.	Hemet	84,030	605	7.20
168.	San Pablo	30,290	230	7.59
169.	West Hollywood	36,256	280	7.72
170.	Santa Cruz	64,076	499	7.79
171.	Merced	82,409	763	9.26
172.	Compton	99,125	988	9.97

Over 100,000 residents

Rank	City	Population	Total Number of Crimes	Crime score
1.	Irvine	258,198	144	0.56
2.	Murrieta	109,495	69	0.63
3.	Glendale	202,298	195	0.96
4.	Temecula	111,673	114	1.02
5.	Sunnyvale	152,443	158	1.04
6.	Thousand Oaks	129,976	136	1.05
7.	Orange	140,572	172	1.22
8.	Santa Clara	123,562	156	1.26
9.	Corona	163,633	212	1.30
10.	Simi Valley	127,472	174	1.37
11.	Torrance	149,243	214	1.43
12.	Fremont	232,427	337	1.45
13.	Rancho Cucamonga	176,376	264	1.50
14.	Burbank	105,865	159	1.50
15.	Carlsbad	113,972	172	1.51
16.	Santa Clarita	211,132	351	1.66
17.	Roseville	131,039	239	1.82
18.	Huntington Beach	203,233	420	2.07
19.	Daly City	107,320	234	2.18

20.	Clovis	103,769	239	2.30
21.	West Covina	109,030	263	2.41
22.	San Mateo	104,306	266	2.55
23.	Chula Vista	265,215	705	2.66
24.	Fullerton	140,771	389	2.76
25.	Garden Grove	176,041	504	2.86
26.	Downey	114,754	335	2.92
27.	Pasadena	141,815	428	3.02
28.	Moreno Valley	205,182	643	3.13
29.	Ontario	170,274	547	3.21
30.	San Jose	1,031,458	3,400	3.30
31.	Ventura	110,077	374	3.40
32.	Costa Mesa	113,477	386	3.40
33.	El Monte	117,376	400	3.41
34.	Santa Rosa	175,738	606	3.45
35.	El Cajon	103,942	360	3.46
36.	Escondido	151,732	529	3.49
37.	Elk Grove	166,183	586	3.53
38.	Hayward	157,157	556	3.54
39.	Anaheim	349,471	1,271	3.64
40.	Norwalk	107,470	400	3.72
41.	Concord	128,767	491	3.81
42.	Fontana	206,982	804	3.88
43.	Oceanside	176,319	702	3.98
44.	San Diego	1,400,467	5,582	3.99
45.	Rialto	103,590	423	4.08
46.	Fairfield	112,582	486	4.32
47.	Berkeley	120,387	530	4.40
48.	Santa Maria	104,355	463	4.44
49.	Oxnard	207,221	920	4.44
50.	Riverside	323,064	1,441	4.46
51.	Visalia	130,405	608	4.66
52.	Santa Ana	337,304	1,626	4.82
53.	Bakersfield	373,887	1,810	4.84
54.	Pomona	154,410	792	5.13
55.	Palmdale	159,613	830	5.20
56.	Fresno	520,837	2,871	5.51
57.	Long Beach	476,318	2,766	5.81
58.	Lancaster	162,095	1,005	6.20
59.	Victorville	123,332	777	6.30
60.	Los Angeles	3,962,726	25,156	6.35
61.	Inglewood	112,450	775	6.89
62.	Salinas	158,185	1,098	6.94

63.	Antioch	110,537	771	6.98
64.	Sacramento	489,717	3,611	7.37
65.	San Francisco	863,782	6,710	7.77
66.	Vallejo	121,257	1,031	8.50
67.	Modesto	210,794	2,025	9.61
68.	San Bernardino	216,477	2,697	12.46
69.	Stockton	304,890	4,122	13.52
70.	Oakland	419,481	6,051	14.42