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95\_646549.htm Shanghai has now become a more expensive location than New York and Washington DC in the United States. Tokyo is still the world's most expensive city to live in and Oslo and Osaka still make the top five, but the Worldwide Cost of Living 2011 survey just released from the Economist Intelligence Unit also revealed some dramatic changes in the last year. Australia has become one of the biggest risers, with the strong Aussie dollar lifting costs in Sydney (6th most expensive city), Melbourne (7th), Perth (13th) and Brisbane (14th) to their highest levels. Europe accounts for half the top 50 most expensive cities, with Paris in fourth spot, Zurich in fifth and Frankfurt and Geneva in eighth and ninth. 小编小注：account for用法很多，可以表示“占据”，也可以表示“负责”。文中所取的意思正是“占了一半”。 More than US\$7 for bread in Moscow, less than US\$3 in London. The survey shows how economies have shifted over the past 10 years, with especially Asian cities becoming cheaper. Hong Kong, from third place 10 years ago is now 22nd, Shanghai falls from 16th to 48th and Beijing falls from 11th to 64th. 小编小注：economy作为可数名词的时候的意思是经济体，实际上就是以国家和地区为单位的经济实体。 Some Asian countries whose economies have shifted up the gears have bucked this trend however. Bangkok, the 108th most expensive city in 2001 is now the 66th. Jakarta moves up 35 spots from 2001 to 77th. American cities have also generally moved

down the rankings, with New York only just squeaking into the top 50, in 49th spot. New York is now cheaper than Chicago and Los Angeles while Atlanta, the United States' cheapest city, is on a par with Kiev in Ukraine. "Although inflation in Japan has been stagnant for a long time, the rapid strengthening of the Yen in recent years has fuelled the relative cost of living in Japanese cities," says Jon Copestake, editor of the Worldwide Cost of Living survey. "This trend is also evidenced by the contrary movement of other Asian cities. Hong Kong and China, which peg their currencies to the US dollar, have seen the relative cost of living fall as the US dollar has declined from highs of 2001. "That said, many of these cities have seen local inflation rising and it is interesting to note that Shanghai has now become a more expensive location than New York and Washington DC in the United States." Top 10 cities in Worldwide Cost of Living Index 1. Tokyo 2. Oslo 3. Osaka 4. Paris 5. Zurich 6. Sydney 7. Melbourne 8. Frankfurt 9. Geneva 10. Singapore 更多推荐：[#0000ff>口译基本句型：开幕词与闭幕词](#) [#0000ff>口译达人必“背”：中国成语英译汇总](#) [#0000ff>2011年春季口译考试口试练习汇总](#) [#0000ff>2011年春季口译考试口试练习：旅游类](#) [#0000ff>2011年翻译资格考试：中高级口译重点语句 100Test](#) 下载频道开通，各类考试题目直接下载。详细请访问 [www.100test.com](http://www.100test.com)