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- Austin & Round Rock was ranked fourth
- McAllen-Edinburg-Mission seventh
- Killeen, Temple, Fort Hood 13th
- San Antonio 15th
- Houston, Sugar Land, Baytown 16th

- and Dallas-Plano-Irving 23rd
- Within the small metros division, which included 124 areas, Texas dominated.
- Midland ranked first in the nation.

- Longview in at seventh.
- and Odessa came in tenth
- At 37th, El Paso showed the biggest gain among small metros, jumping 85 spots from its 2007 position.