## 2025 ParkScore Index®



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North Las Vegas, NV

The ParkScore index is a national comparison of park systems across the 100 most populated cities in the United States. Published annually, the index measures park systems according to five categories reflective of an excellent city park system: access, investment, amenities, acreage, and equity. While the rankings provide fodder for friendly competition, the goal each year of publishing the index is to help leaders advocate for needed park resources and provide relevant data to inform local park improvement efforts. To facilitate a fair comparison across cities, the index aggregates across all public and private organizations supporting parks in each city.

This year, North Las Vegas received a score of 49.5 points out of 100 based on an average of the five categories. There are 15 measures across these categories, with points awarded based on how North Las Vegas compares to the other 99 cities for that particular measure.



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#### Acreage

The acreage score indicates the relative abundance of large 'destination' parks, which include large natural areas that provide critical mental health as well as climate and conservation benefits. There are two components to the acreage score. Of these, North Las Vegas scores among the highest on the percentage of the city's overall area that is dedicated to parkland (100 out of 100 points), and above average on median park size (64 out of 100 points).

#### Access

The access score indicates the percentage of a city's residents that live within a walkable half-mile of a park - the average distance that most people are willing to walk to reach a destination. With 62% of its population living this close to a park, North Las Vegas scores about average in this category.

#### Investment

The investment score indicates the relative financial health of a city's park system, which is essential to ensuring the park system is maintained at a high level. This value aggregates park and recreation spending across all agencies and organizations within the city, including monetized volunteer hours. In North Las Vegas, a total of \$111 per capita is spent each year on publicly accessible parks and recreation, below average for this category.

#### **Amenities**

The amenities score indicates the relative abundance of park activities popular among a diverse selection of user groups (kids, teenagers, adults, seniors). Overall for this category, North Las Vegas scores about average, though it varies by amenity: basketball hoops (100 points out of 100), sport fields and diamonds (10 points), dog parks (47 points), playgrounds (19 points), senior and rec centers (9 points), permanent restrooms (27 points), and splashpads (69 points).



### Equity

The equity score indicates the fairness in the distribution of parks and park space between neighborhoods by race and income. This category is an average of two types of metrics. On the first set of measures, North Las Vegas scores about average: 48 out of 100 points for people of color living within a 10-minute walk of a park and 48 points for low-income households. The second set of measures compare the distribution of park space. In North Las Vegas, residents living in

neighborhoods of color have access to 43% less nearby park space than those living in white neighborhoods (41 points out of 100). Residents living in lower-income neighborhoods have access to 50% less nearby park space than those in higher-income neighborhoods (32 points out of 100).

For additional information on the scoring methodology, please visit www.tpl.org/parkscore/about

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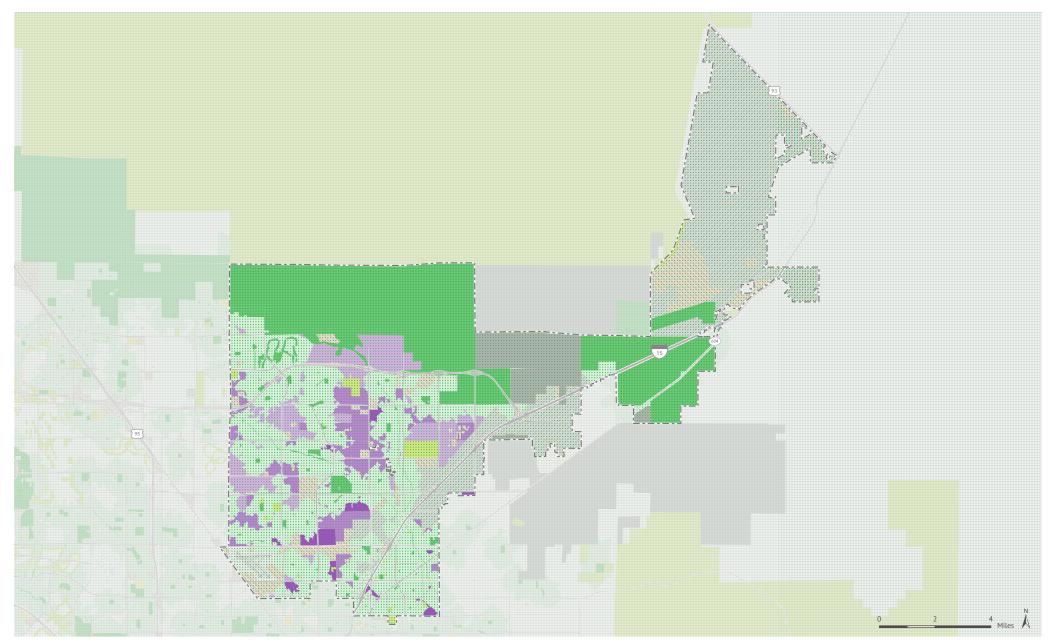
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		Values for North Las Vegas, NV:		Value needed for:	
	City-wide total	<b>City-wide</b> 'per capita'	City-wide score*	<u>1 pt</u>	100 pts
creage (82 Points)					
Parkland as a percentage of city area	16,771 acres	25.1% of city area	100 points	2.5%	18.6%
Median Park Size	7.1 acres	7.1 acres	64 points	.58	11
ccess (48 Points)					
Percent of population within a 10-minute walk of a park with public access		62%	48 points	28%	100%
quity (42 Points)					
Percent of people of color wit of a park	hin a 10-minute walk	63%	48 points	28%	100%
Percent of low-income households within a 10- minute walk of a park		65%	48 points	32%	100%
Residents in neighborhoods of color have park space as those in white neighborhoods		43% less	41 points	89% less	25% more
Low-income neighborhoods have park space as those in high-income neighborhoods					
		50% less	32 points	85% less	25% more
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\*For each of the 15 measures, cities are scored on a 1-100 scale (100 is the highest) relative to the other 99 cities. To adjust for outliers, 100 points is awarded for any city that has more than double the national median for that measure. The amenity average excludes the lowest scoring amenity.



## 2025 ParkScore<sup>®</sup> index: Access NORTH LAS VEGAS, NEVADA

The Access category of the ParkScore<sup>®</sup> index awards points based on the percentage of the population within a 10-minute walk of a public park. This analysis is provided via the ParkServe<sup>®</sup> mapping application, which identifies the population living within a 10-minute walk of a park by creating dynamic 1/2-mile service areas (10-minute walking distance) for all public parks. In this analysis, service areas use the street network to determine walkable distance (streets such as highways, freeways, and interstates are considered barriers).

In North Las Vegas, 62% of the population lives within a 10-minute walk of a park. Among the remaining 108,856 people without access to a nearby park, Trust for Public Land suggests where to prioritize the development of new parks to reduce this gap. This prioritization is based on a comprehensive index of six equally-weighted demographic and environmental metrics.

The six metrics on which the prioritization is based:

#### · Population density\*

• Density of low income households (households with income less than 75% of the urban area median income; less than \$52,000 in North Las Vegas)\*

Density of people of color\*
 Community health (a combined index based on the rate of poor mental health and low physical

activity from the 2024 CDC PLACES census tract dataset) • Urban heat islands (surface temperature at least 1.25 degrees greater than city mean surface

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\*Derived from 2024 forecast census block points produced by Esri.

Priority areas for new parks	Cemetery		
(outside of 10-minute walk service areas of parks with public access) Very high priority	University		
High priority	Military		
Moderate priority	Industrial		
Park with public access	Vacant zero population area		
Other park or open space	- · City boundary		
10-minute walk (half-mile) service area of park with public access	<ul> <li>County boundary</li> </ul>		

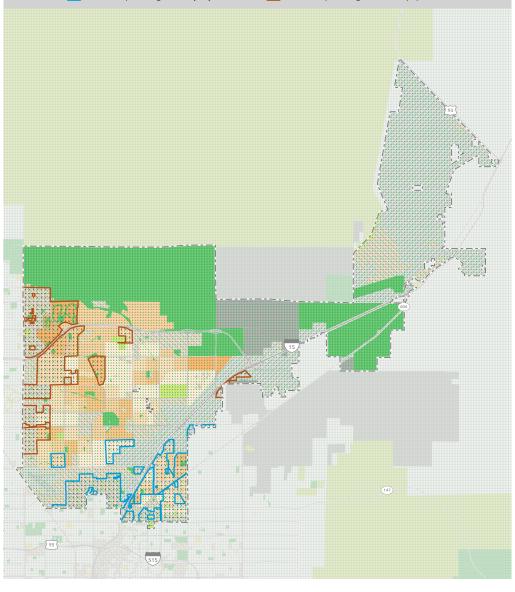
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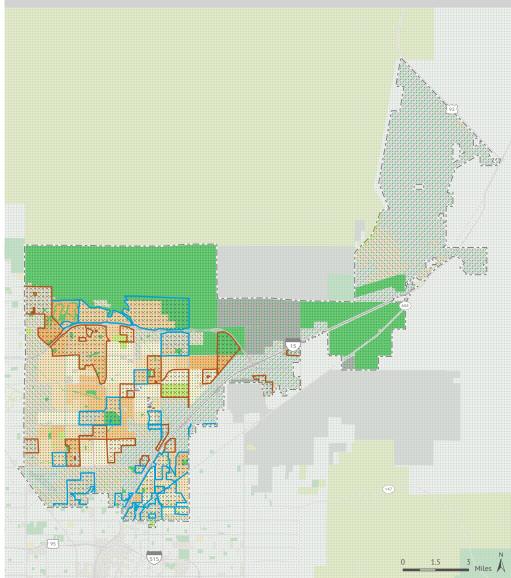
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Race Block Group with higher % of people of color Block Group with higher % white population

## Income Block Group with higher % of low-income households Block Group with higher % of high-income households





# 2025 ParkScore<sup>®</sup> index: Equity

The Equity category of the ParkScore  $^{\otimes}$  index awards points in part based on the difference in nearby park space between neighborhoods in a city:

•On a per person basis, ratio of nearby public park space between communities of color and white communities

•On a per person basis, ratio of nearby public park space between low-income communities and high-income communities

Nearby park space per person effectively measures the available park space within a 10-minute walk of a micro-neighborhood, identified by the set of block groups containing the 20% of the city population with the highest concentrations of people of color or white population and high-income or low-income households. Households with income less than 75% of city median income (less than

\$52,000 in North Las Vegas) are considered low-income; households with income greater than 125% of city median income (greater than \$87,000 in North Las Vegas) are high-income.

In North Las Vegas, neighborhoods of color have 43% less park space than white neighborhoods, and low-income neighborhoods have 50% less than high-income neighborhoods.

The metrics for people of color reflect each of the Census-designated race/ethnicity groups: Black, Hispanic, and Indigenous and Native American, Asian Americans, Pacific Islanders, multiple races, and other communities of color.

Demographic profiles are derived from 2024 forecast census block points provided by Esri.



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