

Brighton vs Birmingham

Cheaper: Birmingham
Better Weather: Brighton
Lifestyle: Brighton
Overall: Birmingham

Cost of Living

	Brighton	Birmingham
Average Rent	£1,826	£1,086
Average House Price	£402,949	£232,266
Average Monthly Energy Bill	£109.50	£91.00
Average Monthly Food Cost	£69.70	£64.50
Average Salary	£3,778	£3,471

There is a clear affordability gap between these two cities, with Birmingham coming out well ahead. Housing costs in particular are markedly lower, and the savings extend to groceries and utilities too. It is worth noting that average salaries in Brighton are around 8% higher, which partially offsets the difference in living costs. This could make a real difference to your quality of life.

Weather

	Brighton	Birmingham
Sunshine Hours	1836	1373
Rainfall	789mm	612mm
Average Temperature	14.03°C	13.82°C

The weather gap between Brighton and Birmingham is significant. Brighton receives around 463 more hours of sunshine per year and it is also drier, with roughly 177 mm less rainfall annually. Residents of Brighton benefit from a meaningfully more pleasant climate, which makes a real difference to daily life, outdoor activities and general wellbeing.

Lifestyle & Location

Brighton has a slight lifestyle edge. Its advantages include Coastal Location, Access to Nature, Vibrant Nightlife. The difference is subtle, though, and both cities have plenty to offer in terms of day-to-day living.

Brighton

- City is located on the coast (location)
- Close to parks, countryside or national parks (environment)
- Active nightlife and entertainment scene (lifestyle)

Birmingham

- City is centrally located in the UK (location)
- Good rail connectivity to major cities (transport)
- Major UK city (size)

Who Should Choose Each?

Choose Brighton if:

Choose Birmingham if:

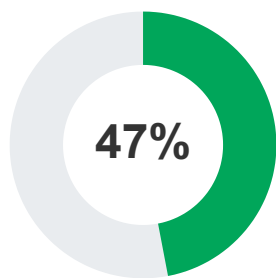
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- Higher average salaries
- More sunshine
- Coastal Location
- Access to Nature
- Vibrant Nightlife

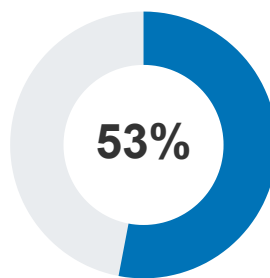
- More affordable overall (salary-adjusted)
- Lower rent costs
- More affordable house prices
- Less rainfall
- Central Location
- Strong Rail Links
- Large City

Overall Score

Brighton



Birmingham



Final Verdict

Birmingham comes out ahead overall.

Birmingham comes out ahead overall, with affordability being the primary reason for the difference. Weather also plays a supporting role. While Brighton is by no means a poor choice, Birmingham offers a more rounded package when all factors are weighed up together.