Most Populous Metropolitan Areas

Houston is the fifth most populous metro in the nation.

	Population Estimates – U.S. Metros			
Rank	Metro Area	Residents July 1, 2019	Residents added 7/1/18 to 7/1/19	Percent Change
1	New York-Newark-Jersey City, NY-NJ-PA	19,216,182	-60,462	-0.3%
2	Los Angeles-Long Beach-Anaheim, CA	13,214,799	-35,080	-0.3%
3	Chicago-Naperville-Elgin, IL-IN-WI	9,458,539	-25,619	-0.3%
4	Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX	7,573,136	117,380	1.5%
5	**Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land, TX**	7,066,141	89,994	1.3%
6	Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV	6,280,487	32,646	0.5%
7	Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Pompano Beach, FL	6,166,488	22,651	0.4%
8	Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, PA-NJ-DE-MD	6,102,434	11,226	0.2%
9	Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Alpharetta, GA	6,020,364	75,061	1.2%
10	Phoenix-Mesa-Chandler, AZ	4,948,203	98,994	2.0%
11	Boston-Cambridge-Newton, MA-NH	4,873,019	13,483	0.3%
12	San Francisco-Oakland-Berkeley, CA	4,731,803	5,489	0.1%
13	Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA	4,650,631	38,089	0.8%
14	Detroit-Warren-Dearborn, MI	4,319,629	-2,455	-0.1%
15	Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA	3,979,845	44,666	1.1%
16	Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, MN-WI	3,640,043	29,982	0.8%
17	Denver-Aurora-Lakewood, CO	2,967,239	35,574	1.2%
18	St. Louis, MO-IL	2,803,228	-730	0.0%
19	Baltimore-Columbia-Towson, MD	2,800,053	-690	0.0%
20	Charlotte-Concord-Gastonia, NC-SC	2,636,883	43,933	1.7%
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2019 Population Estimates				

Between July 1, 2018 and July 1, 2019 (the period for which the U.S. Census Bureau released its most recent population estimates), the Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) added the third most residents among all metros in the U.S. and it remains the fifth most populous Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA).