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HELPING GROWING COMPANIES EVALUATE FUTURE LOCATIONS

5-Star Business Opportunity Metros

Akron, Ohio MSA
Albany-Schenectady-Troy, N.Y. MSA
Amarillo, Texas MSA
Ames, Iowa MSA
Ann Arbor, Mich. MSA
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, Ga. MSA
Austin-Round Rock, Texas MSA
Baltimore-Towson, Md. MSA
Birmingham-Hoover, Ala. MSA
Blacksburg-Christianburg-Radford, Va. MSA
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, Mass.-N.H. MSA
Boulder, Colo. MSA
Champaign-Urbana, Ill.
Charlottesville, Va. MSA
Cincinnati-Middletown, Ohio-Ky.-Ind. MSA
Cleveland-Elyria-Mentor, Ohio MSA
College Station-Bryan, Texas MSA
Colorado Springs, Colo. MSA
Columbia, Mo. MSA
Columbia, S.C. MSA
Columbus, Ohio MSA
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, Texas MSA
Denver-Aurora, Colo. MSA
Des Moines, Iowa MSA
Detroit-Warren-Livonia, Mich. MSA
Durham, N.C. MSA
Fargo, N.D.-Minn. MSA
Flagstaff, Ariz. MSA
Harrisburg-Carlisle, Pa. MSA
Harrisonburg, Va. MSA
Houston-Baytown-Sugar Land, Texas MSA
Huntsville, Ala. MSA
Iowa City, Iowa MSA
Jefferson City, Mo. MSA
Johnson City, Tenn. MSA
Kansas City, Mo.-Kan. MSA
Knoxville, Tenn. MSA
Lansing-East Lansing, Mich. MSA
Lawrence, Kan. MSA
Lexington-Fayette, Ky. MSA

5-Star Business Opportunity Metros (continued)

Lincoln, Neb. MSA
Little Rock-North Little Rock, Ark. MSA
Lubbock, Texas MSA
Madison, Wis. MSA
Minneapolis-St. Paul-Bloomington, Minn.-Wis. MSA
Nashville-Davidson-Murfreesboro, Tenn. MSA
Oklahoma City, Okla. MSA
Omaha-Council Bluffs, Neb.-Iowa MSA
Philadelphia-Camden-Wilmington, Pa.-N.J.-Del.-Md. MSA
Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, Ariz. MSA
Pittsburgh, Pa. MSA
Portland-Vancouver-Beaverton, Ore.-Wash. MSA
Raleigh-Cary, N.C. MSA
Reno-Sparks, Nev. MSA
Richmond, Va. MSA
Rochester, N.Y. MSA
San Antonio, Texas MSA
San Diego-Carlsbad-San Marcos, Calif. MSA
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, Calif. MSA
San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, Calif. MSA
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, Wash. MSA
Springfield, Mo. MSA
St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. MSA
State College, Pa. MSA
Syracuse, N.Y. MSA
Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, Fla. MSA
Toledo, Ohio MSA
Tucson, Ariz. MSA
Tulsa, Okla. MSA
Virginia Beach-Norfolk-Newport News, Va.-N.C. MSA
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, D.C.-Md.-Va.-W.Va. MSA

SOURCE: Expansion Management's 2005 Mayor's Challenge ranking of the "Top Business Opportunity Metros." Metro areas are listed in alphabetical order.