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North Carolina – One of Most Affordable States to Own a Vacation Home

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Travel and Leisure recently named North Carolina one of the "Most Affordable States to Own a Vacation Home." With pristine beaches boasting miles of shoreline, attractions for all ages and festive annual events throughout the year, it's easy to see why Emerald Isle is the island hideaway for you to purchase the coastal retreat you've always dreamed about.



This state offers geographical diversity and natural beauty from mountains to coastline. The mountain areas around Asheville are popular vacation home destinations with pristine views and convenient access to both the city and the wilderness, according to John Witherspoon of Witherspoon Platt + Associates. Homes in this sought-after area start around \$500,000 and prices vary widely. Property taxes are relatively low, especially outside of the city. Coastal property in Emerald Isle, a family destination with a 12-mile beach on the Crystal Coast, is an affordable "best kept secret," Allison Wax Carter of Emerald Isle Realty told *Travel + Leisure*. Thoughtful development and a variety of activities make Emerald Isle a great value, with condos starting around \$250,000 and large oceanfront homes going up to around \$3 million.

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