

# Snowbirding and You Survey- 20...

## Result Details

**Question 10** Please tell us about your preferences on snowbird pairings. For example, if you currently live in Connecticut and want to snowbird in Georgia. Do you drive or fly to your snowbird destination? Do you have anything else you would like to share about your snowbird preferences and experiences?

Answers **351** 50% Skips **350** 50%

211,051,302	Personal experience	Yesterday, 10:18AM
210,940,100	To reach our property, we drive or we take the Autotrain or we fly.	Wednesday, Nov 28th 9:58AM
210,896,957	Live in CT - prefer Florida for Jan-Mar. We will drive. Golf and Beaches are the drivers for us, but access to things to do that we don't have at home is a big driver also.	Tuesday, Nov 27th 10:38PM
210,847,102	Normally we drive, unless it is outside of the US. We have also used an RV and traveled around to different areas. There is only so many years left to experience it all, so we keep moving around and experiencing many areas. We do not stay in one place or go back to the same place every year. We are going to look for a home base that is between Michigan and Florida that has more ideal temperatures. But we will only stay put there for a few months at a time.	Tuesday, Nov 27th 4:39PM
210,827,010	Research and referrals; probably drive to destination	Tuesday, Nov 27th 10:06AM
210,825,171	Being from NY- a high tax state- I am looking for a low tax state for permanent residence (e.g SC)and to spend the summers in NY- renting. I also want to be near an airport so I can fly to NY when needed.	Tuesday, Nov 27th 9:30AM
210,808,556	I would probably drive.	Tuesday, Nov 27th 12:48AM
210,803,861	I would drive to Florida and enjoy everything in between.	Monday, Nov 26th 8:43PM
210,801,093	I fly to my snowbird destination.	Monday, Nov 26th 7:00PM
210,790,738	6,3,2,1,4,5	Monday, Nov 26th 2:20PM
210,785,252	CT to FL. Drive + fly	Monday, Nov 26th 12:19PM
210,780,829	drive	Monday, Nov 26th 10:42AM
210,779,795	We would probably drive that way we could get a full sense of the area	Monday, Nov 26th 10:11AM
210,779,424	See comments above. Transiting to the winter temporary residence becomes more difficult the further away the location and the older one becomes. Driving over a few days is ideal as can take transportation vehicle with you but as one gets older usually have to make other arrangements that add to the cost of the matter.	Monday, Nov 26th 10:06AM
210,755,389	Research, live in Minnesota and snowbird in Arizona, I would drive- don't mind the winters but Minnesota is such a tax and spend state, plus living in western MN my political preference is more like the Dakota's not like the Twin Cities, I would hope to establish residency in another state. Summers are great in Minnesota and would build a summer home on a lake! If I end up in Tennessee I might live there year round as long as it is in the eastern part of the state which is cooler in the summer because of the elevation.	Sunday, Nov 25th 7:23PM

210,728,435	I live in Connecticut and just bought a house in northern Florida; Amelia Island. I have spent time there over a period of six years. It is a warm temperate climate; not very crowded; ocean and rivers; great old historic downtown (Fernandina Beach); very relaxed and friendly.	Saturday, Nov 24th 10:18PM
210,717,466	Still healthy enough to RV from Minnesota to Arizona. Will fly when that changes.	Saturday, Nov 24th 12:46PM
210,711,168	Live in Ohio. Thinking about snow birding in Southern Florida	Saturday, Nov 24th 7:40AM
210,702,020	Fly	Friday, Nov 23rd 9:51PM
210,700,388	Challenge is to find a reasonably economically priced home in snowbird location.	Friday, Nov 23rd 8:10PM
210,697,858	We were very lucky. We knew someone who knew someone who had a place to rent. We drive so we have a car while there and all the things we need that the owners do not have. We also bring items they have that cannot be brought on a plane when they visit off season.	Friday, Nov 23rd 5:42PM
210,692,868	CA	Friday, Nov 23rd 2:20PM
210,691,155	Washinton state to Mazatlan,MX. Drive	Friday, Nov 23rd 12:58PM
210,690,566	We will go to Maui but can't go more than 1 month since we miss our dog too much. Then we can drive to a warmer state for another 2-3 months. We refuse to pay the price gouging of FL. I keep hoping the Del Web communities would rent for the season instead of trying to sell houses. There won't be enough people to buy them when we go to sell! Also hope to see WAY MORE rentals include dogs. Our golden retriever is more chill than most small under 25 lb dogs!	Friday, Nov 23rd 12:24PM
210,687,091	We lived in the midwest prior to retiring. We moved to Florida after retiring. Because FL summers are hot, we decided to spend time in the midwest during summer/fall. We are fairly well settled on both ends at the present time, but believe it is a good idea to keep an open mind and be willing to go with the flow as interests change and life happens.	Friday, Nov 23rd 9:59AM
210,668,834	We drive from central NY to SW Florida, but want to relocate someplace with less severe weather than Syracuse but not the hot southern summers. Snow birding is ideal for now but seeing how quickly things can escalate health wise ( not to mention how awful traffic has gotten almost everywhere) we would like a community where we can "age in place" if possible. Also our children are in the Atlanta area and Nashville.	Thursday, Nov 22nd 11:26PM
210,668,381	Fly from Cleveland, Ohio to Naples, Florida.	Thursday, Nov 22nd 11:09PM
210,667,552	Live in Seattle now. Hope to sell home and go RV full time. Northwest in summer and fall and different places in South West for winters.	Thursday, Nov 22nd 10:14PM
210,665,144	Virginia/Florida. Drive	Thursday, Nov 22nd 9:06PM
210,633,166	Probably fly	Thursday, Nov 22nd 10:23AM
210,632,499	We live in Ky, and currently we drive to Ft. Myers, FL. Long drive, approx. 15 hours that we break up into 2 days. Probably not going this year due to red tide.	Thursday, Nov 22nd 10:00AM
210,631,964	drive from Midwest to south.	Thursday, Nov 22nd 9:44AM
210,631,567	We drive from Pa to Oceanside, Ca every year stopping to visit friends on the way. I-40 has few Big Rig Friendly places until you get to Texas. I-10 and I-70 are our preferred routes	Thursday, Nov 22nd 9:27AM
	We have flown twice and driven twice. Flying is faster, but driving is actually more convenient (we live one hour from a	Thursday, Nov 22nd

210,630,333	regional airport), using our own car on site is easier and saves auto rental expense and allows us to pack more clothes and other amenities.	8:47AM
210,627,887	drive	Thursday, Nov 22nd 7:35AM
210,626,053	We are full time RV'ers and live in our motorhome. We stay 5-6 months per winter in Florida and travel the country during the summer months. We do own our lot in Florida in Webster at Florida Grande Motorcoach Resort, our little piece of paradise!	Thursday, Nov 22nd 6:22AM
210,621,193	Drive to be able to travel in the area and bring my bicycle and our dog.	Thursday, Nov 22nd 3:36AM
210,615,465	Travel in a small RV across US & hope to find a place better than CA with its gridlock, high taxes, & liberal one party rule!	Wednesday, Nov 21st 11:09PM
210,615,194	Use VRBO. Live in Wisconsin and fly to Arizona. I also fly to spend a week in Ft Myers FL each January while 2 of my brothers play baseball in the Wooden Bat League. One brother finds a house through VRBO for 6 family members to rent: 5 siblings and 1 cousin.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 11:16PM
210,614,720	Drive from Oregon, visiting along route.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 11:04PM
210,613,174	For ten years, I snowbirded from KS to AZ. Now I have a place in AZ White Mountains for Summer and left KS	Wednesday, Nov 21st 10:07PM
210,612,448	I currently live in Minnesota and would like to snowbird in Arizona.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 9:42PM
210,611,245	FL is my snowbird town Usually fly to Ft.L Dec-May enjoys beautiful weather in SE FL. Found Coral Springs because of research & personal experience with the area.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 8:31PM
210,603,991	Bought and live in a 5th wheel	Wednesday, Nov 21st 5:11PM
210,603,198	We prefer the Gulf coast. (We checked "southeast" on Q5, but no Gulf coast states were provided as an option in Q6. Also, no "other" option was available.) We live in Wisconsin and drive south. We love the Florida panhandle - the Emerald Coast - but it's a pricey area. We will be staying in Bay Saint Louis, MS, in the spring - at least 25% cheaper than the Panhandle, great beaches, off the beaten path, so quieter. We won't get there until late February (winter isn't the problem in Wisconsin, it's the length of winter that wears you down).	Wednesday, Nov 21st 4:41PM
210,603,070	Fly	Wednesday, Nov 21st 4:45PM
210,600,027	I will drive from FL to Maine until I feel it is too much for me and then I will fly and keep a car in each place .	Wednesday, Nov 21st 3:30PM
210,597,872	not necessarily interested in snowbirding. we like the winters here in Eastern North Carolina. only 70 miles from the ocean.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 2:35PM
210,597,869	Live in St. George, UT. Would drive to Colorado during the hottest month, August.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 2:35PM
210,597,538	Drive	Wednesday, Nov 21st 2:21PM
210,597,161	sometimes we drive and sometimes we fly. We leave a vehicle there all year so we can just fly in if we want to.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 2:17PM
210,596,158	Have not snowbirded yet but would like to experience warmer climates during CT winter time. Haven't yet done much spadework to uncover where to go in FL, but it is a near term goal. Am slightly discouraged by the supply demand imbalance that seems to happen at the same time every year, but I guess there isn't too much to be done about that.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 1:47PM
210,595,460	Fly	Wednesday, Nov 21st 1:33PM

210,595,186	Drove once. Six days. Now we fly.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 1:22PM
210,593,275	We currently live in California and it is becoming crowded and there are high taxes. One cannot beat the weather, but that too could change. We are considering spending 6 months and a day in a state tax free state to take advantage of the savings and declare that state as our primary residence. We would fly back and forth.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 12:38PM
210,592,219	Would like more affordable short term options for stays so you could test out an area. Say for two weeks or a month.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 12:10PM
210,592,079	We live in the northeast and fly to Arizona.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 12:12PM
210,592,041	I chose a retirement spot with mild weather all year. Sometimes in the winter I think about spending time where it's warm but not often and it's usually cured with a trip to the hot tub :)	Wednesday, Nov 21st 12:08PM
210,590,765	We drive, only 400 miles but makes a big difference in the weather.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 11:40AM
210,590,744	Live in Georgia & spend the summer months in a cooler, less humid location.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 11:41AM
210,590,242	Drive, take mountain bikes and kayaks	Wednesday, Nov 21st 11:26AM
210,590,113	Drive from Colorado to Arizona and fly back if necessary	Wednesday, Nov 21st 11:28AM
210,588,570	We are currently researching info on 55+ communities in Central Florida and in AZ that have houses with garages. But we are looking for homes under \$250,000 in Adult Communities. We love Lk Havasu City in AZ too, but have not found any Communities there.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 10:53AM
210,588,071	Live in Texas and summer in Idaho	Wednesday, Nov 21st 10:45AM
210,587,973	Not a snowbird yet, but thinking about how it could work. Not sure we can afford to own homes in two places, and don't know if that really makes sense when one is "empty" half of the year (don't particularly like the idea of renting out a personal home during the off-season).  We live in a western/southwestern state but still get cold and snow. That's the main thing we would like a break from during the winter months.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 10:45AM
210,587,404	From California to Oregon, northwestern part of the state where it is close to the coast and some snow will fall!	Wednesday, Nov 21st 10:33AM
210,586,929	As fulltime Rv's. We travel to Mexico in the winter & slowly move over the west & south west in the summer.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 10:21AM
210,586,925	As fulltime Rv's. We travel to Mexico in the winter & slowly move over the west & south west in the summer.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 10:21AM
210,586,647	For me it's all about finding a place with lots of hiking. I don't golf, which is why most of the "communities" here don't appeal to me. Also, I'm not a big city person.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 10:12AM
210,585,538	Drive now in early retirement but plan to fly only soon.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 9:59AM
210,584,878	We drive. A challenge for us is finding a community where we can develop and maintain relationships. We are finding it hard to do that as a renter	Wednesday, Nov 21st 9:47AM
210,583,134	Live in Illinois, snowbird in Florida. We generally drive, since we bring a lot of things with us - clothes, tools, etc.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 9:16AM
210,581,115	Currently we fly to Florida and rent a car but the longer we stay I may consider driving from Connecticut	Wednesday, Nov 21st 8:29AM

210,580,110	Would like to spend the winters in Arizona we currently live in Georgia.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 8:09AM
210,580,041	nothing	Wednesday, Nov 21st 8:08AM
210,578,865	Drive	Wednesday, Nov 21st 7:37AM
210,578,321	drive	Wednesday, Nov 21st 7:28AM
210,577,429	Online snowbirds and VRBO sites	Wednesday, Nov 21st 7:01AM
210,577,171	We would drive, probably taking both cars. We do love road trips and with the ease of communication between cars now it would take a lot of the concern away regarding traveling alone...or together but in separate cars.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 6:48AM
210,577,151	Live in Wilmington, NC and we return to upstate New York for 3-4 months during the summer. Best of both worlds!	Wednesday, Nov 21st 6:56AM
210,576,243	We fly to Arizona as it is a 28 hour drive but I still drive a favorite vehicle there once a year just to have another car. It then provides for my son and his wife a vacation trip in the spring (we take the GrandKids) to return the sports car. Win Win!	Wednesday, Nov 21st 6:37AM
210,576,015	drive	Wednesday, Nov 21st 6:34AM
210,576,012	Live in NC. Drive to FL. Because of Hurricanes, researching lakeside residences in warm climates.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 6:27AM
210,575,375	Drive, research,agent	Wednesday, Nov 21st 6:12AM
210,574,414	Will drive	Wednesday, Nov 21st 5:40AM
210,574,030	We fly from New York to Tucson, sometimes via Phoenix, since there are no air carriers that fly non stop to Tucson from NYC.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 5:33AM
210,572,466	After we stopped renting and bought a place, we decided to buy a car as well. We drove to Florida for years, then shipped our car. Now we go with non-stop flights to/from nearby airports and cheap airfares that you can book in advance.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 4:46AM
210,566,604	Full timing in an RV. We spend about 4 months in Arizona, 5 months in Ontario Canada and 2 months traveling in between. I am a USA citizen and my wife is Canadian.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 12:49AM
210,566,483	Drive. We live in the Mountain West region and driving is do-able, but since we have a travel trailer, driving is our only option.	Wednesday, Nov 21st 12:54AM
210,565,482	Live in the midwest, snowbird in Florida. We drive. Stay 6 weeks	Wednesday, Nov 21st 12:14AM
210,564,430	I retired to Pueblo, Colorado, and despite all my advance research it has turned out to be hotter in summer and milder in winter than I expected. I dislike hot weather, so may eventually figure out a way to spend summers elsewhere. Cost is the primary limiting factor. Maybe an RV.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 11:09PM
210,564,300	If I had the money I would be a snowbird, but I don't. I would spend winters on the central coast of California and summers in the northwest	Tuesday, Nov 20th 11:12PM
210,564,218	Research	Tuesday, Nov 20th

		11:14PM
210,564,039	I would like to move to Florida. I have lived there before and I believe either the place is healthier for Seniors or all the very old move to Florida. Sarasota and south of there for the winters is best. The Pensacola area is a favorite also.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 11:02PM
210,563,877	Have trailer	Tuesday, Nov 20th 10:59PM
210,563,773	I use references from friends, mostly. Also, vrbo. I fly now, but may drive there some day. Top choice is Calif, then AZ, then Fla.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 10:52PM
210,563,723	Fly	Tuesday, Nov 20th 10:46PM
210,563,628	Drive to Georgia and love the South. Can't wait to make it longer.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 10:48PM
210,563,410	We currently live in Ohio and spend our winters in Sarasota, FL. We have a motorhome which gives us the flexibility of trying other areas of the country without committing to home ownership. We have stayed at the same RV park for the past 6 years and plan to return this winter.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 10:34PM
210,563,206	Both	Tuesday, Nov 20th 10:24PM
210,562,941	Drive from Chicago to Florida	Tuesday, Nov 20th 10:16PM
210,562,853	Personal experience with area	Tuesday, Nov 20th 10:12PM
210,562,716	Drive from Illinois(near St Louis) to Panama City Beach. Great fun with people from all over the country and Canada.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 10:08PM
210,562,452	My wife and I would most likely fly if we are renting or owning. We may secure a Motorhome and travel that way.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:56PM
210,562,421	I reside in Florida and bird in North Carolina for 5 months	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:54PM
210,562,335	I use Google to find rentals. We drive to the destination to have our vehicle while there.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:48PM
210,562,307	We live in Maine and drive to Florida for two months beginning in the middle of January. We began by staying one month but have increased our stay over the last 4 years. We will probably work up to 3 months over the next couple years. At that point we'll look to buy a condo.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:44PM
210,562,046	Live in Wisconsin-- Snowbird in Gulf Shores Alabama for 6 years now. Will be looking for a warmer client next year	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:38PM
210,561,844	Currently reside in Florida. We will "sunbird" to NC or TN during the heart of the Hurricane Season of the South	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:28PM
210,561,742	We live in Connecticut and drive to Florida as we have a dog and also want our car when we are there. We owned a town home for 12 years and decided we only wanted to maintain one home. We now rent for 4 weeks and stay with family for several weeks. We went from central Florida to Anna Maria to be by the ocean. I enjoyed snowbirding but felt our footprint was too big and the expenses too much. I found we missed being involved in our community when we were gone for 6 months. I think it is good to do if you want to permanently move at a later date. We were not sure we wanted to live in Florida.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:16PM
210,561,733	I fly from Iowa to Arizona.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:23PM
210,561,538	Drive. The airlines have become uncaring greedy bastards. The seating is too tight and the main cabin is unbearable.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:11PM
210,561,513	Would prefer to drive if I can.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:16PM

210,561,411	Must be within driving distance for easy return home when necessary	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:12PM
210,561,302	Drive	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:08PM
210,561,097	From Illinois we go to Mesa, Arizona. About a 6 day haul for the trailer. A three day drive without the trailer. Good weather great place to go. Lots to do. Low humidity and bugs.  Florida is closer but we wanted to try the Southwest and fell in love with it.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 8:55PM
210,561,078	Live in NE Georgia, would like to snowbird in Florida but not sure where to start. We would drive.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 8:59PM
210,561,032	We own a place in each location so we can keep duplicates of everything and travel light. We drive so that we can have a car at each location.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 8:48PM
210,561,030	Fly to CA and drive to SE destinations	Tuesday, Nov 20th 8:55PM
210,561,023	We drive to Fla. from NY because we bring our pet cat along with us.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 8:57PM
210,560,918	I have driven from NE Ohio to northern Florida, but it's a long slog, even when parceling out the drive and spending 3 nights in motels. I prefer flying and renting a car. Most people like to go as far south in Florida as they can to ensure the most warmth they can find and to help ensure some sort of beach time (even if that just means walking a sandy beach). I prefer the northern part of Florida as there are	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:55PM
210,560,900	Own my own airplane	Tuesday, Nov 20th 8:51PM
210,560,756	My snowbird destination is in Gulf Shores, AL. Alabama wasn't listed on your choices of states, so I chose Florida, which is the closest alternate. I drive from Illinois. I am a single female, therefore don't have a lot of money to spend. The Gulf Shores is very affordable. I have done research into going a little farther south into Florida, but the prices are out of my budget.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 8:42PM
210,560,617	We live in Bucks County, PA and want to Snow Bird to South Carolina and live in the Poconos in the summer.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 8:43PM
210,560,528	Drive from Northern Michigan to the Southeast, particularly SC, but will consider GA and FL in the future.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 8:34PM
210,560,225	Relatives	Tuesday, Nov 20th 8:23PM
210,560,154	We will be retiring in 1.5 years. We want to become permanent residents in Arizona. We have heard from many "snowbirds" that owning 2 homes is very difficult. You constantly worry about the other one while at the opposite home. Plus, tax benefits require that we live at least 6 months in a state other than MN, to gain tax benefits. Although we only want to own 1 home in AZ, we will likely travel for a month or more at a time.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 8:20PM
210,559,848	We live in Tennessee and drive to our condo in Florida.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 8:07PM
210,559,576	Currently drive from NY to SC. Florida is out. Considering moving to NC.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:55PM
210,559,561	I drive from ny to Florida because I need a car when in Florida and do not want the expense of renting and I also bring my dog	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:54PM
210,559,420	Live in PA, snowbird to FL in motor home with a Jeep in tow. Third season starting next week.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:48PM

210,559,412	We drive so as not to need to rent a car for 1 -2 months. Also our dog travels with us so a car is virtually the only way to go. We have enjoyed having friends and family join us during our stays.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:47PM
210,559,259	drive to snowbird location. found location from magazine article.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:41PM
210,559,232	Drive - dog comes with us	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:37PM
210,559,204	Personal experience with region.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:39PM
210,559,001	Take the Auto Train.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:34PM
210,558,693	Drive with a fifth wheel. Do research and knowledge from prior trips. Would like to return to Florida as a snowbird for 6 months each year.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:14PM
210,558,680	Camp along way.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:18PM
210,558,622	We drive but we've also flown.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:11PM
210,558,466	Referral from friends followed by our own personal experiences.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:10PM
210,558,377	Northern Maine for the summer and Germany for the winter. I fly.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:06PM
210,558,328	We fly down to South Carolina from New York and ship our cars.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:01PM
210,558,191	Reverse snowbird from Southwest Florida to Central New York.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:00PM
210,557,920	Residence is in VA and spend summers in Northeast (summers in VA are quite hot and humid - it's too easy to stay indoors in the AC). Winters in VA are pretty mild and relatively short and the summers in the northeast are generally quite pleasant and a bit cooler than VA.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:50PM
210,557,798	Research	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:47PM
210,557,763	Drive from Wisconsin to Nevada	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:47PM
210,557,704	RVer	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:44PM
210,557,532	Drive	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:37PM
210,557,482	Drive	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:35PM
210,557,463	Drive between Illinois and Florida. Go back to Illinois for about 10 days at Christmas.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:33PM
210,557,301	Referral from friends or relatives	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:24PM
210,557,000	We are planning to RV for at least 3 years full time after retiring in 2-3 years from now. We plan to explore all of the southern and western US during the winter months to find which areas we most prefer. We expect to finally settle down in a southern state after we no longer RV full time.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:17PM



210,556,832	We travel extensively and know where we like. We travel by car. We also stay with our 4 children spread across the country from the East Coast to California. We like to be near water and outdoor activities. It must be clean and safe. That is why we stay at high end resorts.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:07PM
210,556,831	Fly	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:14PM
210,556,788	We live in RI and would spend time in FL during the winter. Starting out will likely be for a few weeks at a time. We will drive there to minimize rental car costs.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:10PM
210,556,774	We live in Minnesota and are looking to snowbird in Hot Springs Village, AR. We would drive. We would prefer to purchase a second home there rather than rent.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:07PM
210,556,615	Live in NC (oct - May) and go north in the summer to WI. Drive, as we have a dog that needs to travel with us. two day (16 hour) drive. Native of WI, so love it there in the summer. Could not live there in the winter. Asheville, NC in mid-Oct - early May. Took us longer to find the place in Door County, WI (2 years) vs Asheville (4 months). Once we retired in 2012, we did our "ville" tour of SE spots for our main home (Asheville, Huntsville, Nashville, Knoxville, Chattanooga, Charlotte, Clemson). Asheville was the easy choice. As I said I am native to WI, so Door County was a no brainer as that is where I spent my summers as a kid. Downside of snowbirding is having 2 houses to maintain, especially while gone. And hard to keep friendships alive and develop new friendships when you disappear from one area for 5-7 months.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:56PM
210,556,539	We take our 5th wheel from Minnesota south to warmer weather.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:02PM
210,556,339	drive,gives the freedom to move about and explore other areas	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:57PM
210,556,273	Live in central North Carolina. Would like to avoid freezing weather which probably means Florida.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:55PM
210,556,268	We used to snowbird via travel trailer from PA. Then we bought the Park Model for the winter and RV'd in the summer. Now we're moving to a lake in VA and are thinking we'll RV again for a shorter time in the winter.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:51PM
210,556,114	Currently live in Kansas, would like to find a place where we could drive and stay 4-5 months a year on the gulf coast.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:50PM
210,555,982	1-Referral, 2-Research	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:45PM
210,555,966	We currently live in Iowa most of the year and snowbird on Hilton Head Island, SC. We chose this location primarily because of the beach and tennis facilities, along with great bike trails and restaurants. Since we are there for almost 3 months, we drive and take virtually everything with us [ and generally have more than we really need]. Although we have searched for a place to buy, we continue to rent since the housing market is so inflated. After several years on snowbirding, we have become acquainted with many others doing the same. Now we even see each other during the rest of the year when planning trips that take us all over the country.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:33PM
210,555,496	Drive from Seattle to Arizona. We will summer in seattle and rent for 4 months. We bought a house on Arizona and will give there 8 months.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:36PM
210,555,157	just like the diversity of climate, people, attitudes, and being able to broaden horizons personally, as a couple, intellectually and exploring /discovery of new pleasures in life -- mental-physical and spiritually and always learning	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:30PM
210,555,131	Drive. Use online sites	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:26PM
210,555,125	Lived in Denver then split time between Denver and Green Valley, AZ (1 year) then sold the Denver home and rented for a little over a year in Oro Valley, AZ and are now buying in Marana AZ. but with plans to reverse snowbird ( Denver or northern AZ) during the heat of AZ summers.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:27PM
210,555,119	Live in California. Will retire to DE, NC or SC within 2019. Winter there or go traveling....	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:32PM
210,554,822	South Texas	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:22PM

210,554,783	Found on line at home away but I was familiar with area after staying with friends.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:18PM
210,554,703	We live in New Hampshire and did the snowbird thing for 4 years to Venice FL, but after not being able to go to the beach due to red tide, decided to sell and stay up north. We were then blessed with triplet grandsons and just can't get away with all the help our daughter needs raising 4 children under 3 years old. We miss the warmth but it still got cold on occasion (30's) down there during January.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:56PM
210,554,698	Drive from Plymouth Michigan to Venice Florida	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:21PM
210,554,685	I live in New Hampshire and will RV in the southeast/west until my wife and I find an area that we like and will settle down, not sure if it will be year round. We will figure that out when we find a spot we like.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:15PM
210,554,645	Unless you are fairly well off on your present retiree income, keeping two homes is a pipe dream. I left N.Y. because i was paying \$1200 A MONTH taxes , \$450 on utilities ... No thanks. In Florida my taxes are \$3000, utilities are \$150 and if i get hot in the summer I sit by the pool and swim. Snowbirds,, not in this life time	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:16PM
210,554,531	South Alabama Beach to Northern Wisconsin in the summer by car.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:13PM
210,554,459	New Jersey to Florida I drive Answer to question 9 used real estate	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:00PM
210,554,405	This past year, we spent the entire year in Arizona. The summer in the cool White Mountains near Show Low; the winter at my sister's ranch in southwest Tucson. It was really nice to take just a day to travel to our destination instead of days to travel, like we've done before.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:07PM
210,554,385	Drive from Tennessee to Florida.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:13PM
210,554,327	Online site Vrbo	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:10PM
210,554,256	I plan to drive from Ohio to Palm City/Stuart area of Florida as I am familiar with that area and rent a furnished apartment or condo January thru February or March. So far having trouble finding places that rent for less than a full year lease, but I just started looking. I plan to start and end my stay with a cruise.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:56PM
210,554,250	I am researching currently and want to find a way to snowbird from PA from Jan - mid-March in Florida. I think I could have a neighbor watch my current house and then rent a hotel (?) near Orlando the first year and then explore renting other areas of Florida such as Daytona Beach, Miami etc. in other year and then within 5 years decide if I want to keep going to Florida, buy in Florida or continue snowbirding in other states. The issue is keeping costs down.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:03PM
210,554,103	My sister and my good friend both live in Bluffton/Beaufort SC area, so that would be my first choice. But I'm a city girl and find the area a bit too rural for my taste. Also the lack of street lights for night driving is a huge negative for me . Great for an extended visit but not for me to move to.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:59PM
210,553,884	I would drive to my destination so that I can bring more with me, including pets.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:58PM
210,553,883	Drive my RV.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:58PM
210,553,865	Live in CT and drive to northern FL	Tuesday, Nov 20th 5:00PM
210,553,609	We Fly from CT to FLA since the TAXES have become so oppressive in CT we are changing our residence to Florida We will visit the dying State of CT until it is destroyed by the democratic party So sad :(	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:50PM
210,553,520	Live in RI. Want to snowbird to FL. We have stayed in various locations flying to our destinations unless we are staying more than two weeks. When we stay three or four weeks we drive.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:48PM
210,553,508		Tuesday, Nov 20th

	We drive from Illinois to Arizona because we travel with our dogs. It also gives us a chance to stop in Colorado and visit family.	4:50PM
210,553,486	Since we have a dog, we will be driving (from PA to Florida). This year will be for 2 months (previous years were for 2 weeks without the dog, so we flew) in an area visited before. Next year will be for 3 months also in another area visited before. We prefer to rent a home on water (river or lake) for now.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:46PM
210,553,483	Drive from Maine to Arizona in late October, drive back to Maine in early May.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:51PM
210,553,364	Rv in Rockport Texas	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:51PM
210,553,284	We drive since we have 2 pets it is a 3 day drive for us. Ugh! Once we get there we are so happy to be in the sunshine & not in the snow & blizzards.....	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:45PM
210,553,256	Plan is a month or two on the Big Island of Hawaii. We will rent a condo unless the oil wells produce more and we buy a place!! AZ and CA are options because we can drive there from Oregon.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:45PM
210,553,132	Homeaway	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:45PM
210,553,110	Began spending winters in Mexico, while living in San Diego County, California. Eliminated Mexico as a retirement destination after the second winter there. Now traveling throughout Florida, having sold my condo in San Diego area. Florida beaches are now a negative, so considering Southern Spain, Costa Rica or Panama.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:37PM
210,552,916	I live in Ohio, would drive to Florida for the winter months. Would like to buy live in Florida for the winter and rent out in the summer months.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:37PM
210,552,882	Q9 answer: personal experience If we were to snowbird, we would drive	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:37PM
210,552,864	Driving, then you don't need rental car, see countryside's	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:30PM
210,552,838	Home Away/VRBO	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:35PM
210,552,699	I drive to the villages in Florida. Difficult to find a place for the winter months. I might purchase but as a senior I do not want to maintain a second house unless it is relatively maintenance free which I don't think exists.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:31PM
210,552,620	About to change legal residence from MN (I have been a seventh generation Minnesotan) to coastal Texas where we have wintered several years. Texas has no state income tax/no estate-inheritance taxes, etc., and politics are less radical than MN! dwj	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:26PM
210,552,499	Initially, snowbirding from IL to TX via car. Now, more of a reverse snowbird from TX to IL/WI for the hottest part of the summer, by car.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:21PM
210,552,417	We drive from Minnesota to lake Havasu, Arizona. We like the warm weather and the water features Havasu offers.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:27PM
210,552,275	MN May-Aug FL Sep- Apr Drive	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:24PM
210,552,039	Live in IL and will be travelling to FL for 3+ months. After I retire I will be regularly driving to FL. Usually visit something historical coming or going.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:17PM
210,552,014	I prefer to fly rather than drive the long distances. We have a car available where we stay now.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:14PM

210,551,940	We drive to AZ from CA. We are also thinking about buying a home in SC. We will eventually sell our home in CA and either stay permanently in AZ or travel between AZ and SC.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:16PM
210,551,935	I will need to drive, unless I find a piece that is completely walkable or bike able, which is my first preference	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:15PM
210,551,928	We have a home in Wisconsin and snowbird to SW Florida via a Motorcoach for 6 months. We rent an RV lot. This area can be expensive.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:13PM
210,551,852	No interest in snowbirding. One way migration to year-round warmer climate. Most likely destination is southern Nevada - Henderson or Enterprise	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:14PM
210,551,815	Lived in MN and moved to Vail, AZ. Spent 3 years looking for retirement location. Started in CO, then UT the NM and finally AZ. Looked at both Phoenix and Tucson areas of AZ. Finally acquired new home in Vail, AZ in 7/2015. Have now completed our move full time on 3/2018.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:12PM
210,551,638	Online vrbo We fly between CT and FL several times throughout the year so we can be with family in CT.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:10PM
210,551,517	8-9 winter months in NC; balance in upstate NY	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:04PM
210,551,358	Live in PA drive to Florida	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:02PM
210,551,285	Currently live in NJ and plan on being a Florida snowbird. If we rent, we will have to drive. If we buy, we plan on flying and	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:57PM
210,551,250	We live in Northern Michigan and usually get away for 3 to 4 weeks, just enough to break up the winter. Last year we went to Amelia Island in FL, this year will be Charleston, SC.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:00PM
210,551,237	I am not retired yet, however when that day comes I would like to be a snowbird to Florida	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:59PM
210,551,223	Fly	Tuesday, Nov 20th 4:01PM
210,551,115	Live in Maine, fly to Florida a couple of times during the Fall/Winter. Planning a staying for longer periods, but driving down would become necessary. Rental cars have gotten real expensive! Boredom sets in not having chores beyond walking on the beach between the barrooms.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:55PM
210,551,102	Have RV to see and travel with	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:56PM
210,551,072	You didn't have my favorite place - Colorado! I would drive to all my snowbird places or fly! Depends on how much time I had.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:56PM
210,551,059	As I currently live in southern California, reverse snow-birding is a possibility, but more likely a routine trip to another location would be scheduled family visits.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:56PM
210,551,007	prefer to fly	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:55PM
210,550,975	We like the "second home on wheels " concept as we explore our options for relocating in time. Don't want the limitations of house elsewhere to worry and take care of Enjoy exploring as each season evolves	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:49PM
210,550,885	I plan on driving, so I have a car to use when I'm there, since I will be there for months. I haven't become a snowbird yet, but it is in the plans for the next year or so. I will probably start with a few weeks, then a month or two, gradually building, until I'm comfortable with being gone for 4-5 months. I also plan on trying different places, different states, different regions, until one clicks with me. Then I'll look for a place to buy.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:50PM

210,550,859	Live in northern Alabama and would likely drive further south (Florida or Alabama) for 2-3 months a year.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:50PM
210,550,665	Could see myself snowbirding if I didn't have 4 cats. I'm not willing to live without kitties.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:46PM
210,550,657	Because I'm single AND have a small dog, it's been next to impossible to find a place to go for the winter..I'm 61,female,retired and live in Buffalo NY... Myrtle Beach is a possibility ..but not that warm and looks to be very wet this winter, but I would have had to book way before now... If I had a travel partner, it would be more doable on many levels. As in driving or flying together. Splitting the rent, knowing someone ect. But I don't have one. I have seen a website on	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:36PM
210,550,616	RV travel	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:42PM
210,550,472	From CT to FL we have flown and driven. Mostly fly.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:42PM
210,550,431	Live in PA and drive to FL	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:38PM
210,550,299	Live in Bucks Co., PA. SnowbirdED in SIESTA KEY, FL for 20 years. Owned. Happy to get out. BIG PICTURE, w/ SIESTA KEY BEACH FRONT PROPERTY, immaculately well kept, 2 pools, Inland Waterway to Beach Front --- expensive, high RE Taxes, high monthly fees, traffic, RED SLIME, END UNIT (South), lucky to have sold, BAD Market (2014) --- feel I lost THOUSANDS. Will sell PA and move full time to South Carolina	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:29PM
210,550,294	I LOVE winter and would be interested in reading more about retirement communities in the northeast United States. Thank you.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:37PM
210,550,212	We live in Missouri so our drive is about 1800 miles one way. I do not particularly enjoy that. We do take 3-4 days to travel staying in motels along the way. This naturally makes it more costly. We are considering a "beater" type car to leave there and then flying which gets us there in 3-4 hours instead.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:30PM
210,550,060	Have driven from Southern Maine to Venice, FL for the past three years and explored places of interest along the way. But now are considering flying and shipping the vehicle if we can find an affordable rent!	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:25PM
210,549,860	Referral from friends and relatives. We drive down from Canada to Florida. We need our car in Florida.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:24PM
210,549,849	Drive	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:26PM
210,549,761	This will be our first snow-birding season. After that, if we stay in VA we will go to Florida and rent something. The transportation mode to/from depends on too many variables at this point to be comfortably definitive. There is a possibility we could end up as full time residents in Florida and reverse the season to spend time in New England - or Wisconsin. Hope that makes sense.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:05PM
210,549,284	We like to fly, but the rates are usually too high for the time period we need to go (work dictates time frame).	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:02PM
210,549,256	Drive	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:14PM
210,549,223	Live in Connecticut planning to snowbird in Colorado. Flying now until relocating then I will drive and stay.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:11PM
210,549,176	We take our time, drive our small Subaru full of our stuff and the dog's stuff, us/dog and our ski equipment on the roof in a big carrier.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:06PM
210,549,083	I drive from RI to FL	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:08PM

210,548,964	Ohio to Florida Drive	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:06PM
210,548,917	Prefer to drive, and stop along the way at different place, each time	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:03PM
210,548,706	Drive Research Eferral from friends Personal experience	Tuesday, Nov 20th 3:00PM
210,548,683	Live in southwest florida. Drive RV to Wisconsin and Michigan during summer.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:55PM
210,548,677	FLY	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:58PM
210,548,653	Drive. Let's looking for a place with similar values and interests	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:58PM
210,548,624	My parents found the place (we would've chosen someplace else). We now live in Louisville KY and drive down and back every year. I hate the drive. My DH loves it.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:56PM
210,548,593	- above question ... #1 research, #2 real estate agent - we live in Ontario, Canada. Since 2010 we have spent 3 months near Palm Springs, California. Love the area and the people. - we drive .... we used to take up to 10 or 12 days to drive each way ... taking different routes and sightseeing. - the last two years we just take 5 or 6 days to drive there and back - I'm really nervous and hesitant to visit the US this year ... politics has brought out the worst in some people!	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:17PM
210,548,562	We retired from Seattle to Chicago in 2015. While the cold winters aren't fun we don't have to go out since we're not working. We use the money we don't spend snowbirding taking trips to places we want to visit--such as Paris for a month. Trying to escape "bad" weather has never interested us.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:53PM
210,548,552	Will drive. Motivated by lowering state income taxes, property taxes and avoiding hurricanes, wildfires, and ocean level rise.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:54PM
210,548,353	Find a good place then stick with it. The best you change means you will never get back into the question if you want the first place. Make sure there is enough to do. Get to know neighborhood. Enjoy!	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:49PM
210,548,329	Responded to an ad and research	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:44PM
210,548,278	Long Island NY heading to NORTH Carolina. We plan to drive down. Will always plan to be close enough to an airport to do a little time back on the Island to see the kids during the winter.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:48PM
210,548,249	Currently live in Washington state near Seattle. Will be RVing around the country including the midwest, southwest, and west coast	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:41PM
210,548,205	I used to,drive between WA and CA. Now that I live in our CA snowbird home for 6+ months of the year, I do the 5-day drive to VT and back for May-October in VT. That may get old after a few years! But with two cats and a lot of stuff, I don't think flying is feasible until the cats are gone....  Owning two houses is expensive and a lot to take care of. But I have a lot of furniture and art that I did not want to get rid of, and that fit perfectly into my new Vermont summer home. So for now I will keep on having two houses. The day may come when I sell one and rent someplace closer to the other for the undesirable season.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:40PM
210,548,179	Live in arizona and do Vrbo 2-4 months every year but someplace different every year.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:47PM
210,548,116	Live in upstate NY. Spend 5 1/2 months in NE Florida. We used to drive down but the driving has gotten so unpleasant - too many cars going too fast with little regulation of superspeeding; drivers texting. There was little pleasure to the trip. Now we have someone drive our car while we fly.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:43PM

Why do we have speed limits if there is little or no enforcement?

210,548,027	Drive so we have a car for our stay	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:41PM
210,547,981	After retiring in NY, bought place in FL. We drive. As we age considering moving "half back" to VA area to be closer to family.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:41PM
210,547,862	Always drive, take my big dogs with me.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:41PM
210,547,831	We live in the Myrtle Beach area....for us it's still not warm enough during the winter! We drive to Florida. We generally stay in the Kissimmee area due to the abundance of rentals and for the number of reasonably priced golf courses.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:38PM
210,547,704	Right now I am not snowbirding, as I have two older cats who would be very averse to crosscountry travel and relocation. Once they are no longer a factor, I would probably downsize my current living situation to an apartment or a condo more easily left behind for a several month stay in a warmer climate. There are many reasons my current home should not be left vacant over the winter months.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:34PM
210,547,643	I don't consider myself a "snowbird" but did have my career in Michigan and retired to Florida at age 55 and am a legal resident. I now spend November-April in FL and go to my Lake MI cottage owned for 43 years for portions of May-October BUT freely go back and forth - 5 times back to FL in 2018 - PLUS extensive travel to many other places: 44 other states and 2 Canadian provinces this year and I also own property in Montana - just a fun and funky 52 year old 16' trailer, deck and barn on 21 lakefront acres. And I am just as likely to be in FL on any given date in say, June or Sept., as in MI. I always drive and do not/will not fly - I mean, it's only 1,850 miles and 2 pleasant days on the road, plus I can take anything I want back and forth not worrying about weight, size, "restricted items" (paint, sharp tools, batteries), etc.  This could change as I age (only 69 now) but will deal with that then!	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:15PM
210,547,597	Currently live in Pennsylvania. Currently drive to our home in Florida for long stays. Fly to Florida for shorter "long weekends". After we sell home in Florida and leave, if we decide to Snowbird out West or out of the country, we will buy a vehicle, store it there and fly to destination.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:21PM
210,547,512	We want to purchase a rev and travel south in the winter	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:34PM
210,547,439	In the summer we travel to two U.S. destinations for two to three weeks each and spend a month in Europe.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:33PM
210,547,393	We would drive	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:28PM
210,547,375	Live in NJ snowbird in FL and SC, always drive and visit friends in NC on the way.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:28PM
210,547,373	Live NE fly to AZ	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:31PM
210,547,352	I prefer to snowbird in Florida, and fly there by airplane.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:29PM
210,547,310	Research. Drive. RV. Thousands of RV's from cold States and Canada	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:26PM
210,547,302	I drive to mysnowbirding experience	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:24PM
210,547,292	This lifestyle may not be for everyone but we love it and plan to keep doing it as long as we can.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:20PM
210,547,274	I currently drive between Nebraska and Arizona. I usually take my time and stop along the way to visit local attractions or to see friends and relatives	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:24PM
210,547,269	Referral from friends	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:27PM
210,547,268	We live in Illinois and snowbird near the Gulf Coast of Alabama.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:23PM

210,547,191	fly from NJ to Fla.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:26PM
210,547,159	Drive between	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:26PM
210,547,069	Live in Pa, considering snowbirding to florida	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:21PM
210,547,047	We live in Minnesota. We would have to drive to the Nevada/Arizona border to stay for the winter so we would have a vehicle during our stay.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:21PM
210,547,043	Direct flight from DC metro area to Phoenix	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:20PM
210,547,039	Our permanent home is in Cincinnati, OH.  We spend 3 months a year in our 2nd home in Hilton Head. We spend 2 months a year at a resort in the Dominican Republic. We spend 2 months a year at a rental home in Florida (VRBO).  We drive to SC and FL, but fly to the DR.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:19PM
210,546,977	We live in Idaho and will drive to Arizona. The cost of renting a car for an extended time becomes very expensive.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:17PM
210,546,945	I will be driving with my husband for two months in Georgia (daughter lives there) and then drive to Texas for two months to visit our son. I will probably use airbnb and referral from relatives...maybe a realtor?  I'm very anxious to hear how and where people look for monthly rentals and I hope they include how much they spend in monthly rentals. I still have 2 years of work left in Northern Illinois near Chicago.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:18PM
210,546,938	We sold our big house in Rhode Island 4 years ago and bought a smaller house in Newport RI and a condo in Miami Beach, FL. We visited many towns in Florida to find someplace walkable. Part of our purpose was to become Florida residents and avoid RI income taxes, so every year we must spend 181 days out of RI, but it doesn't have to be in Florida. Between spending the winter in Miami Beach and traveling outside the country, we have no trouble being outside of RI 181 days. So far it has worked out great.  We drive back and forth in October and May, and we only need one car in Miami Beach because there's so much public transportation and it's so walkable. We do fly back and forth for a few weeks in RI at Christmas; we have the flexibility to book cheap flights. Once we decided on Miami Beach, it took us about a year to figure out which condo building we wanted to be in and then to wait for a desirable unit to come on the market and then close. It took us probably 2 years to find a house in Newport (we started looking there earlier because we lived so close), but we ended up finding them both at the same time so it was perfect.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:06PM
210,546,819	I am not a snowbird. Have permanently moved to Naples Florida.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:19PM
210,546,814	Prefer driving..want car at destination.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:14PM
210,546,794	I have been doing 2-3 week road trips a couple of times per summer, and staying in a combination of hotels and with friends and family. I live in southern Arizona and like to get away from the heat, usually in June and September.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:13PM
210,546,787	Live in Iowa, snowbird to Loveland CO.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:15PM
210,546,757	Live in Michigan drive to Florida Keys	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:14PM
210,546,751	Drag doesnt work previous questions	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:14PM
210,546,681	My wife and I will be driving from Minnesota to Florida so we have a car to travel with and can pack golf clubs and other necessities. :)	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:13PM
210,546,673	Have worked overseas for the past 30 years. My plan is to go to different spots in the US for 9 months and travel the rest of the year.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:12PM



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210,546,654	We live in central Texas. We fly to Hawaii for 2-3 weeks each winter to have a break from cold weather. We drive on road trips each Aug or Sept to the Colorado mountains to have a break from hot weather. We also visit family in N Dakota each summer to have another break from the heat, also on a driving trip.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:09PM
210,546,581	This is our first winter snowbirding and we are renting until we decide whether to buy or build a house in a 55+ retirement community. We will be taking the auto train down from Virginia. We live in upstate New York and the snow has begun falling already. Can't wait to get to Florida and swim in the pool in January!	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:07PM
210,546,482	Drive PA to FL for 3 months rental	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:10PM
210,546,472	We live in Ohio - drive to Myrtle Beach. Use MB as a base - visit family, Charleston, HHI, Charlotte, and other local sites. Enjoy the area. One day drive is simple. Been going to this location for 25+ years.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:07PM
210,546,410	We drive from mudwest to florida	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:07PM
210,546,408	Fly and drive	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:06PM
210,546,400	Probably Drive. Like to see Country. Outside U.S. > very unlikely. If did; it would be the Caribbean. Likely; Bahamas, BVI's, US Virgins.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:04PM
210,546,384	<p>Rule # 1 for quality of life: "Bad things start to happen when temperatures get below 32 degrees!" The average number of nights per year that the temps get below freezing has to be a "game changer" in terms of assessing quality of life in a location! So how do you measure a community's quality of life? By asking as your first question: "So on average, how many nights per year do temperatures fall below freezing around here?"</p> <p>And that brings us to:</p> <p>Rule # 2 for quality of life: "Never live where the sun doesn't shine nearly all the time!" The amount of sunlight dramatically affects one's attitude! The psychological effect of sunlight is dramatic. It's truly amazing how cloudy weather will drag you down and how a sunny day cheers one up! Which brings me to the second "game changer" question in terms of assessing a location's quality of life! "So on average, how many days per year around here are sunny days?" or "During daylight hours, what percent of the time do you have sunshine on average?"</p> <p>***</p> <p>Now for the benchmarks for you to compare as you consider where to live:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. In Tucson, the average number of days per year where the temperature gets below freezing is 16.</li> <li>2. In Tucson, the average percentage of possible sunshine is 85%.</li> </ol> <p>How does your alternative location measure up to this standard?</p>	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:19AM
210,546,362	We typically drive from BC, Canada to Green Valley, AZ	Tuesday, Nov 20th 2:06PM
210,538,134	We fly back and forth.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 10:49AM
210,536,347	Live on WI. Snowbird in Gulf Shores, AL for past 11 yrs. Rent now directly from owner in high rise on the gulf. Love it! We drive down. There is a large contingency of Wisconsinites in AL as snowbirds. Our WI snowbirds club has, I believe around 600 members. We have potlucks, play cards and golf	Tuesday, Nov 20th 10:29AM
210,533,692	I live in Md, and go to florida around Naples area. I have found out lately that a lot of snowbirds go to Sc because the winters aren't that bad and it's cheaper.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:43AM
210,533,075	Live in wis, drive to Arizona	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:31AM
210,532,223	Drive in our rv from Colorado to Louisiana. Sometimes we do reverse snowboarding ,because the winters in our town of Pagosa Springs are beautiful.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 9:12AM
210,526,606	We drive currently in no go to Fl's have dog so makes it a little more difficult to find a nice place	Tuesday, Nov 20th 7:23AM

210,523,853	I live in Iowa and am considering NC or FL. Scary for me. because I am single and African American. My children will come with (yep we all get along and could live together). Climate of hate in the world is scary. No one really addresses that. So even though I do not like cold at least I feel somewhat safe.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:22AM
210,523,797	Would drive Still searching. Used to live there but using internet to search. So far no luck. Costs range from \$2500 on up a month.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:19AM
210,523,294	Doing one month in March 2019 for our first Snowbird in Florida. We have one small dog so this limits rental properties. We prefer renting condos with a pool. Location is Southwest Florida near but not on the beach and close to hiking (walking) trails.	Tuesday, Nov 20th 6:07AM
210,495,614	Would drive the first few trips, but would like to be able to fly and get around town without a car in a few years.	Monday, Nov 19th 3:41PM
210,483,037	We drive to Fla. from NY because we do have a pet.	Monday, Nov 19th 11:07AM
210,472,389	Research	Monday, Nov 19th 7:26AM
210,459,177	NY to SC we drive every year pulling travel trailer and camp in a campground in SC	Sunday, Nov 18th 9:43PM
210,450,435	#6	Sunday, Nov 18th 4:55PM
210,443,936	We live in Raleigh N. Carolina and want to snowbird to Michigan for the summer.	Sunday, Nov 18th 1:47PM
210,442,274	We decided after vacationing in SE TN (2009-2014) that we wanted to retire and spend our winters here. We built a 1500 sq. ft. home in 'MN to visit family during the summer, and have a place during family emergencies . Last year, we built a 3,000 + home on the water, near the local county airport because hubby is a private pilot. We usually fly ourselves back and forth, yet we also bought a small moving truck to bring our belongings, which we plan to sell after the 3rd and last load. Whew.....almost retired! Our large family property in MN is still on the market.	Sunday, Nov 18th 12:37PM
210,439,515	Drive. Enjoy the Trip & Time & Moment. Chance to Hang Out. Know there is a "Window" in length of Time you can do. Both Long Term & Short Term. To me "Moment" & "Chance to Hang Out" are most important. Having a Smile counts.	Sunday, Nov 18th 11:19AM
210,433,512	AZ <--> OR AZ <--> WA DE <--> ME NJ <--> ME	Sunday, Nov 18th 7:31AM
210,432,974	Hoping to move to southeast and snowbird to CA/Pacific Northwest area to be closer to children in summers.	Sunday, Nov 18th 7:04AM
210,432,631	After four years of snowbirding from Connecticut to Delray Beach, FL, we have decided to move permanently to our Delray condo in mid 2019. We tired a bit of the fairly uninteresting drive down (we don't like to sightsee along the way - just get there as quickly as possible), and the bifurcation of life in terms of community. It's hard for us to establish or maintain much of a community in either place when you're only there six months of the year.  We found our place through online research and personal visits.	Sunday, Nov 18th 6:40AM
210,421,990	Spent six weeks in Arizona. Wanted to try Florida another year, but hearing about how awful the traffic is and the expense keeps us home. Found the dust a big adjustment. Traffic.	Saturday, Nov 17th 9:17PM
210,420,682	Born and raised in the Midwest. Thought I would prefer living in Florida full time. Moved to New Port Richey while young but I found it extremely uncomfortable during warmer months so moved back to Midwest, like a lot of people I know. Snowbird would be best if I could afford two residences. If not, I will settle for northern Tennessee, where relatives live. Their weather is much improved over northern Indiana. Economy is booming in Indiana but being retired now, I no longer need to worry about job growth.	Saturday, Nov 17th 7:46PM

210,415,486	Illinois and Arizona.	Saturday, Nov 17th 4:35PM
210,408,833	Currently living in Indiana. We'd be interested in snowbirding if we could afford to live in two different places. At this point, when we retire we will do one last move, probably to Florida.	Saturday, Nov 17th 12:41PM
210,408,701	I want a warm dry climate for winter and will probably be there 7 months, so I will buy a condo in 55 community. I already have a lot in a condominium resort in northern Michigan and I will move my travel trailer and replace it with a park model.	Saturday, Nov 17th 12:36PM
210,407,929	We would use snowbirding as a way of visiting other parts of the country. We live in MA so would spend time in the South east and west during their cooler weather. I can't tolerate the heat. Then visit the northern states during the summer.	Saturday, Nov 17th 12:12PM
210,407,161	I live in AR and summer in ME	Saturday, Nov 17th 11:53AM
210,406,315	Living in central NC, we had great difficulty coming to the decision of whether to move, to snowbird to warmer climate, or to just vacation briefly as we have been doing. Finally determined that the profit from selling is not overwhelmingly significant, we live in the house of our dreams near the place of our dreams (with long term care insurance), and we can extend the vacation options to snowbird rentals more easily than anything else. Pretty much the best of all worlds.	Saturday, Nov 17th 11:23AM
210,405,069	Rented for a week, then a month, then bought	Saturday, Nov 17th 10:59AM
210,404,862	Live in Idaho and would like to snowbird in Arizona or California.	Saturday, Nov 17th 10:43AM
210,402,841	Love Green Side Up!!	Saturday, Nov 17th 9:39AM
210,402,797	We prefer driving since we bring golf clubs, laptops, etc and just dont want to deal with shipping or TSA so living in Notrtheast we pair with SC or Fl. SC because it's the closest place to get away from the cold on most years but when the seasonal forecast for that area is cold, we head further south. Yes, that means we wait to close to last minute to find a place to stay. It makes it tough but has resulted in some good times - for example, one year we spent a week in each of 4 different areas in Florida staying in nice hotel suite type places that include kitchen and washer/dryer.	Saturday, Nov 17th 9:29AM
210,402,200	Cape Cod and Vero Beach, FL	Saturday, Nov 17th 9:19AM
210,401,961	No	Saturday, Nov 17th 9:05AM
210,401,647	Live in Ohio and would snowbird in Florida	Saturday, Nov 17th 9:01AM
210,401,553	Currently live in KY, will snowbird in St. Croix, USVI.	Saturday, Nov 17th 8:53AM
210,401,412	Illinois snowbirding to Florida.	Saturday, Nov 17th 8:48AM
210,401,229	Live in north eastern North Carolina and like the idea of warmer weather Dec-Mar.	Saturday, Nov 17th 8:44AM
210,401,224	Kansas to Texas	Saturday, Nov 17th 8:41AM
210,400,844	As previously mentioned, we like to snowbird in different areas of the Country, a lot of the time in FL, but also in TX, AL, AZ, and CA	Saturday, Nov 17th 8:29AM
210,400,677	Would like to rent, currently fantasizing about alternating between Florida and Arizona locations each year. Would really like to know if people enjoy renting park models in mobile home 55+ communities, since we have 2 smallish dogs to accommodate. Otherwise dreaming about the beach condo.	Saturday, Nov 17th 8:20AM
210,400,090	Plan and book early!	Saturday, Nov 17th 8:00AM

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210,399,299 We live in the midwest and have very few sunny days, so our choice is Florida for the winter months. The Carolinas aren't warm enough and we want to snowbird for golf and Gulf. Snowbirding seems like the perfect plan when you want to enjoy two places, two climates and two groups of friends. But it does take a lot of planning, packing and organization.

Saturday, Nov 17th  
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210,398,929 Currently live in Rhode Island. Would love to snowbird in Italy, the south of France, California, Hawaii or the Southwest. Love New England but wouldn't mind a relatively brief break from the harsh winter months of January and February.

Saturday, Nov 17th  
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210,398,878 I currently reside in a park model home in a seasonal park in Maine, am working part time in a local resort, and have a lovely, affordable winter rental one block from a beautiful Maine beach.

I envision continuing this routine for another few years (I am 71) and then perhaps escaping for a month or two to either coastal South Carolina or the Gulf Coast of Florida.

I must admit that there is so very much to love about coastal Maine and my home state of NH, I may discover that being here even during our cold and snowy winters is preferable to being a snowbird. A week or two away to a warm, sunny climate during the harshest winters may be all that is needed!

Saturday, Nov 17th  
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