



Welcome to the socialist paradise of California

Description

If you like extremely high taxes, a ridiculously inflated cost of living, horrifying bureaucratic nightmares, rising crime rates, endless homeless encampments and “health restrictions” that make it nearly impossible to operate a small business successfully, then you are going to absolutely love California. Vast hordes of people have fled the state over the past 12 months, and so that means that there is now plenty of room for more socialists to move in. But before you come, you will want to make sure that you have completely discarded any lingering notions of “freedom” and “liberty” because they won’t be of any use to you once you arrive in California.

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Over the past few years, California has gotten a bad rap for being an absolutely filthy place, but the truth is that authorities are going to great lengths to try to clean things up.

In fact, they just removed [180 pounds of feces](#) from one homeless encampment alone...

This week, Echo Lake Park in Los Angeles California, the location of a former homeless encampment, received a much needed, and long overdue, deep cleaning.

The park was closed last month and since then, city officials have been working to clean and revitalize the park and have reportedly removed over 170 tents and other debris, the Los Angeles Times reported.

Among the 35 tons or 70,000 pounds of garbage, there were literal piles of poop, amounting to 180 pounds of feces and 564 pounds of urine according data from L.A. Sanitation & Environment workers. This did not include excrement collected from portable or permanent restrooms. Other hazardous waste like needles used for drugs, gasoline, and kerosene amounted to 300 pounds of the total trash collected, the LA Times noted.

Critics of California often focus on the worst parts of the state, and that is very unfortunate.

California is a state known for great natural beauty, and that natural beauty once attracted tourists from all over the globe. Unfortunately, the pandemic has kind of killed tourism and many of the most iconic locations in the state have been marred by the “temporary” problems that the state is currently experiencing. Venice Beach [is just one example](#)...

Residents of Venice Beach in Los Angeles say soaring crime rates and the exploding homeless population have made life in the elite beachside community unbearable.

A ‘catastrophic’ increase in homelessness in Los Angeles has seen hundreds of tents line the beach’s famous boardwalk.

Business owners say they are being forced to close their doors and longterm residents are afraid to leave their homes after dark after being subjected to violent attacks and intimidation.

Many Californians aren’t leaving their homes that much during daylight hours either because the price of gasoline has gotten so high.

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That is not good, but in many parts of California the average price of a gallon of regular-grade gasoline is now hovering around four dollars a gallon, and in some locations a gallon of premium is almost five dollars a gallon.

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Of course the gasoline prices in California are not even worth comparing to the absurdly high housing prices in the state.

But the good news is that those housing prices have started to moderate a bit as hordes of former residents have stampeded out of the state over the past year.

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The path that we are on does not lead anywhere good, and those that actually live in California should understand this better than any of us.

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