

上升 {
up
rise up
move up
a sharp increase
surge

下跌 {
plunge
plummet
drop

并列 {
tie v.
joint a.

straight / street /

e.g. Brazil won two straight World Cup finals.
巴西足球队连续两次夺得世界杯冠军.

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The world's most expensive cities

举例

For the first time in its 30-year history, the Worldwide Cost of Living Survey from

The Economist Intelligence Unit gives the title of the world's most expensive city to three places. Singapore marks its sixth straight year at the top of the rankings, and is joined there by Hong Kong and Paris. The survey, which compares prices across 160 products and services, finds that living costs in all three cities are 7% higher than in

Set a benchmark for something
为某物设立基准

New York, the benchmark city. Two Swiss cities, Zurich and Geneva, and Osaka in Japan also have higher prices than New York; Copenhagen and Seoul cost the same as the Big Apple. 纽约别名

living costs are higher
have higher prices
物价更高

e.g. There has been little appreciation in the value of property recently. 最近房地产价格几乎没有上涨

以美国城市为例, 对生活成本整体上升的成因进行分析

Strong economic growth in the United States in 2018 led to a sharp appreciation of

the dollar and a rise up the rankings for 14 of the 16 American cities for which prices are collected. The highest climbers were San Francisco (up 12 places to 25th) and Houston (up to 30th from 41st); New York itself moved up six spots to seventh and Los Angeles rose by four places to tenth. These movements represent a sharp increase in the relative cost of living compared with five years ago, when New York and Los Angeles tied in 39th position.

e.g. Leopards are great tree climbers.
猎豹的这种动物爬树很快
a rock climber
一个攀岩的人

move up
rise by
名次
spots
places

inflation n.通货膨胀
deflation n.通货紧缩

名次和生活成本都暴跌的城市

Elsewhere, inflation, devaluations and economic turmoil caused the cost of living in Argentina, Brazil, Turkey and Venezuela to plunge. Turkey's currency crisis and surging consumer-price inflation saw Istanbul drop 48 places to joint 120th. But Caracas in Venezuela claims the title of the least expensive city in the world, thanks to hyperinflation and the plummeting bolivar.

e.g. Syria is in a state of political turmoil
叙利亚这个国家正处在政治动荡当中.

hyper-超越, 超过

Hyperion 希腊神话中最高神

hypersensitive a.高度敏感的

hypercritical a.吹毛求疵的

plunge / plndʒ / v. (价值或程度)暴跌, 骤降
e.g. The fall in demand caused share prices to plunge.
市场需求下降导致股价暴跌

see v. 见证 (某事的发生) 近 witness
e.g. The city has seen plenty of violence over the years. 这座城市这几年发生过很多暴力事件



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