Here are the details for the car rental scrape we are trying to complete.

The process is as follows:

1.       Go to rental car website (listed below)

2.       Enter destination (listed below by airport)

3.       Pickup and drop off will be same location (airport)

4.       Pick up date (see below for actual dates). [Example, if doing scrape today… Pick up 15 days out (July 10th) and 2 day rental (Return July 12th). Next sample would be pick up July 10th, drop off July 17th (7 day rental). And so on…]

5.       Time of pick up and drop off: NOON

6.       Renter Age: 25+

7.       No promotion or coupon code.

8.       Hit “Continue” or “Search” or “Start Reservation” or “Book Now” etc.

9.       Find the “Midsize”/”Intermediate” (same car type just different name) car offered

10.   Check price for “Pay Later” option and make note of the price (note, there are “Pay now” and “Pay later” prices. To keep the samples apples to apples we are going with “Pay Later” option).

11.   Start over

**What are we sampling?** The lowest price to rent a Midsize/intermediate car over the time periods (listed below) for each car rental company (listed below).

**Timing of sample taken:** Weekly (will establish day of week)

**Rental Companies:** 8 (Enterprise, National, Alamo, Hertz, Dollar, Thrifty, Avis, and Budget)

**Locations:** 30 Airports (listed below)

**Type of car:** Midsize/Intermediate

**Length of Rental:** 2 days and 7 days

**Time periods:** Range from 15 days out to 21 days out (from day of scrape)

**\*\**This will lead to 14 data points per airport per rental car company weekly (i.e. 2 day rentals 15 days out, 16 days out, 17 days out, etc. AND 7 day rentals starting 15 days out, 16 days out, 17 days out, etc.)***

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| Enterprise | <https://www.enterprise.com/en/home.html> |
| National | <https://www.nationalcar.com/en_US/car-rental/home.html> |
| Alamo | <https://www.alamo.com/en_US/car-rental/home.html> |
| Hertz | <https://www.hertz.com/rentacar/reservation/> |
| Dollar | <https://www.dollar.com/> |
| Thrifty | <https://www.thrifty.com/> |
| Avis | <https://www.avis.com/en/home> |
| Budget | <https://www.budget.com/en/home> |

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| **Rank** | **Airport name** | **Location** | **Code** |
| 1 | Hartsfield–Jackson Atlanta International Airport | Atlanta, Georgia | ATL |
| 2 | Chicago O'Hare International Airport | Chicago, Illinois | ORD |
| 3 | Los Angeles International Airport | Los Angeles, California | LAX |
| 4 | Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport | Dallas–Fort Worth Metroplex, Texas | DFW |
| 5 | John F. Kennedy International Airport | New York, New York | JFK |
| 6 | Denver International Airport | Denver, Colorado | DEN |
| 7 | San Francisco International Airport | San Francisco, California | SFO |
| 8 | McCarran International Airport | Las Vegas, Nevada | LAS |
| 9 | Charlotte Douglas International Airport | Charlotte, North Carolina | CLT |
| 10 | Miami International Airport | Miami, Florida | MIA |
| 11 | Phoenix Sky Harbor International Airport | Phoenix, Arizona | PHX |
| 12 | George Bush Intercontinental Airport | Houston, Texas | IAH |
| 13 | Seattle–Tacoma International Airport | SeaTac, Washington | SEA |
| 14 | Orlando International Airport | Orlando, Florida | MCO |
| 15 | Newark Liberty International Airport | Newark, New Jersey | EWR |
| 16 | Minneapolis–Saint Paul International Airport | Minneapolis–Saint Paul, Minnesota | MSP |
| 17 | Logan International Airport | Boston, Massachusetts | BOS |
| 18 | Detroit Metropolitan Airport | Romulus, Michigan | DTW |
| 19 | Philadelphia International Airport | Philadelphia, Pennsylvania | PHL |
| 20 | LaGuardia Airport | New York, New York | LGA |
| 21 | Fort Lauderdale–Hollywood International Airport | Fort Lauderdale, Florida | FLL |
| 22 | Baltimore–Washington International Airport | Linthicum, Maryland | BWI |
| 23 | Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport | Arlington, Virginia | DCA |
| 24 | Chicago Midway International Airport | Chicago, Illinois | MDW |
| 25 | Salt Lake City International Airport | Salt Lake City, Utah | SLC |
| 26 | Washington Dulles International Airport | Dulles, Virginia | IAD |
| 27 | San Diego International Airport | San Diego, California | SAN |
| 28 | Daniel K. Inouye International Airport | Honolulu, Hawaii | HNL |
| 29 | Tampa International Airport | Tampa, Florida | TPA |
| 30 | Portland International Airport | Portland, Oregon | PDX |