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### Why you **SHOULDN'T** move to Miami from an ex-Floridian:

1. No income tax may not mean you'll be paying less.

The government still needs to fund everything and they have to get the money from somewhere. Pay attention to sales and property tax rates. Also, lack of wealth distribution efforts puts extra pressure on the poor.

2. The weather is not friendly.

Be prepared for extreme humidity that will cause changes in your skin and hair. And the bugs that come with it. The seasons are hot and hotter. Tornadoes and hurricanes are not outside of the norm. My own home was destroyed by 2004 hurricanes.

3. Florida man is a thing.

Maybe it's the heat or something in the water but bizarre things happen in Florida. I don't know another state that has an entire subreddit dedicated to their crazy stories. Go check it out if you need entertainment.



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▲ 22 Florida Man accused of setting his own truck on fire to give deputies 'something to do' (clickorlando.com)  
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▲ 72 Florida Man is named 2020 Scoundrel of the Year (newrepublic.com)  
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▲ 2187 FloridaMan, While Arguing With His Girlfriend At 4:30AM, Follows Through With Threat To Lie Down In The Middle



Most importantly, don't move somewhere just because it went viral!

The best part about the expansion of remote work this year is you can finally choose where to live based on what makes you happy rather than where you "have" to be. Take advantage!

<https://t.co/xOqIEgdMfq>

4. Living where you want vs. where the work is:

You don't have to live in a tiny, expensive place just because that's where the jobs are. Miss small town life? Want to travel more? Be close to family? Choose a place that will make you happiest instead of a place you "have" to be

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All these reasons (and many more) led me to move out of Florida after 20+ years in 2015. I've been back exactly once since then.

If you're moving to FL because it makes you happy, go for it. But if you're interested because it's "in" at the moment, maybe give it more thought...