

SURVIVAL ALTERNATIVES

COMPARISON CHART

Alternatives

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GENERAL CATEGORY	EXAMPLE	TRANSPORTATION TO SITE	GEOGRAPHY & CLIMATE	SHELTER & FUEL	WATER & FOOD	
EMPHASIS ON SECURITY	BUDGET NOMADIC	Equipped camper truck.	Carry enough fuel to get to chosen area.	Choose what you want, move if fuel available.	Mobility provides opportunity for collecting; need knowledge of wildlife.	Fuel is a major problem . Store in advance in underground tank.
	PRIMITIVE CULTURE	Baja California, Mexico.	Plan carefully, carry enough fuel, or travel before crisis.	Choose from tropical to semi-tropical around the world.	Water is a problem in many areas. Plan for trading. Fishing cultures eat well.	Sparse building supplies. Bring your own technology and fuel for cooking and transportation.
	ISOLATED LAND RETREAT	High in Rocky Mountains near usable coal mine.	Store fuel in advance, carry enough to get there.	Plan for extremes.	Plan for food. Mountains have much water but agriculture is difficult.	Plan for heat. Build in advance.
EMPHASIS ON QUALITY OF LIFE	ISOLATED OCEAN RETREAT	Sailboat based on island near Abaco in the Bahamas	No problem; live near or on sailboat.	Excellent: you can choose from a variety.	Plan for water; collect rain and use solar stills. Seafood abundant — supplement with preserved foods.	Plan in advance. Build house and store supplies on island, including fuel for cooking.
	OTHER COUNTRIES WITH INDUSTRY	South Africa	Major Problem. Get passport now, get permission to immigrate, have fare money.	Usually temperate to cold; variety to choose from.	Find employment in advance. Bring money.	Investigate these aspects beforehand.
	RURAL LIBERTARIAN COMMUNITY	Group of Libertarian owned farms near a small Mormon town in Utah.	Plan to move as soon as possible before travel is difficult, store fuel in advance and carry what you need.	Usually cool — temperate with seasonal changes; located in river valley.	Need time to prepare soil and grow food supply. Preserved foods necessary.	Bring mobile home. Build energy sources — windmills, methane generator, etc.
POLITICALLY ISOLATED LIBERTARIAN COUNTY	Sparsely populated county — in your state or a state nearby.	If you wait until last moment — carry fuel, but no problem; no need to travel far.	Excellent: Choose from most any state in the U.S.	Existing supplies would expand to meet population increases. Can trade with other libertarian communities.	Probably many energy sources available. Trade for house or build.	

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DEFENSE	MEDICAL CARE	COMMUNICATIONS	MAJOR CONSIDERATIONS
Depends on location. Difficult to defend while moving; can achieve isolation.	Moderate risk of disease. Travel to medical care.	Very poor. Mobility helps with general news.	An easy emergency response, few preparations required.
Not necessary. No crisis here. Just mind your manners and respect local customs.	Major Problem. High disease risk. Provide care for yourself.	Poor — bring radios.	Low standard of living but worldwide catastrophe would have little effect.
Plan in advance. Isolation is the main defense. Best with two or more families.	Low to moderate risk of disease. Do it yourself.	Poor — bring radios.	Should improve site in advance. Make cache of survival supplies, no limit to technical improvements, use for vacations.
Plan to be isolated. If attacked a sailboat is very vulnerable. May have to abandon stores and live off sea.	Very low risk of disease. Could travel for complicated care.	Fair — mobility makes it possible, but it's risky.	Can carry very little in boat. Transport supplies in advance to isolated land base.
Obey the laws of the country. Find out in advance if you could accept mores and customs.	Good — about same risk of disease as in U.S.	Good — but remote from family and friends.	Military powers could declare war in order to confiscate the country's wealth (gold, oil, food, etc.).
Organize defense for crops. Mormons might help. Vulnerable to government confiscation (could be a major problem).	Very good. Low risk of disease, plus care nearby (travel to hospital).	Very good. Little need if friends and family are with you.	Isolation (mountains, desert or swamp) would improve this alternative. Advance plans and action necessary. Investment depends on choice. Could lease with option from another Libertarian.
Depends on ingenuity. Many means available. Only significant threat is from state and federal politicians.	Excellent. Best doctors would be here. Local hospital, etc.	Excellent. Could have private telephone system, plus neutralize news censorship locally.	Advantages are overwhelming. Could have near laissez-faire economy. Much ingenuity required on part of the initial organizers. Possible beginnings of true laissez-faire system for U.S.