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Manhattan Among 10 Safest Places In Illinois: Study

FBI crime report statistics were used in a study that determined Manhattan to be the No. 8 safest city in Illinois.

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MANHATTAN, IL — A yearly report on the safest cities in Illinois has Manhattan in the top ten this year. That's a considerable jump from when the SafeWise blog had the village slotted at No. 26 just last year.

The SafeWise blog [used statistics from the 2015 FBI Crime Report](#) to determine the safest municipalities across the entire state. Manhattan ended up in the No. 8 slot this year.

The report indicates Manhattan had 0.82 violent crimes per 1,000 residents and 2.99 property crimes per 1,000.

The study eliminated all cities with fewer than 5,000 residents and others that did not submit a complete report to the FBI.

"From there, we evaluated the remaining cities. We narrowed the list down based on the number of reported violent crimes (aggravated assault, murder, rape, and robbery) and property crimes (burglary, arson, larceny-theft, and motor vehicle theft) in each city," according to the blog that released the results of the study. "To level the playing field, we calculated the likelihood of these crimes occurring out of 1,000 people in each city."