

Top 10 Safest Places in Pennsylvania

7. State College



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This college town is often referred to as “Happy Valley,” and after looking at these numbers, it’s no wonder why. In 2012, State College had one of the lowest numbers of violent crime in the state, with just 93 violent crimes per 100,000 people. It also had an impressively low number of property crimes per 100,000 people: just 1,381.

Why, then, did it rank No. 7 and not No. 2 or 3? Unfortunately, there were two murders per 100,000 people in 2012, which bumped it down the list, though all told, residents still only had a 1 in 68 chance of being the victim of a crime.