



# CITY OF KENNER

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### KENNER RANKED SAFEST LARGE CITY IN LOUISIANA

**Kenner, LA.** – A second website analyzing the safest places to live in Louisiana has concluded Kenner is the safest of all cities in the state with at least 20,000 residents.

According to [www.valuepenguin.com](http://www.valuepenguin.com), Kenner is the safest large city in the state, followed by Ruston, Slidell, Houma and Bossier City in the top 5. The website analyzed both violent and property crimes as reported to the FBI in 2013.

Earlier this summer, the website [www.OnlyinYourState.com](http://www.OnlyinYourState.com) concluded that Kenner ranked No. 11 in the state based only on violent crime data. That analysis did not separate cities based on size. Kenner was easily the largest city of the top 11; in fact, the combined population of the other 10 cities on the list was nearly equal to that of Kenner's approximately 67,000 residents.

"This is tremendous validation of the news we received earlier this summer about the safest cities in the state when it comes to violent crime," said Kenner Mayor Michael Yenni. "It is no surprise that when you focus on only the largest cities – even when property crime also is included - no one in the state does a better job than our devoted Kenner police officers. I commend Chief Michael Glaser and the entire police force."

Yenni also congratulated small and mid-sized cities from the metropolitan area that made the Value Penguin rankings. Mandeville was the No. 1 mid-size city with Gretna taking the No. 6 spot. In the small city list, Harahan was No. 2, with Westwego at No. 6.

According to the Value Penguin website, because of the difficulty of comparing small and large cities "we separated the safest cities into three categories: towns with populations between 5,000 and 10,000, midsize cities with populations between 10,000 and 20,000, and larger cities with populations greater than 20,000."

Glaser thanked Yenni and the Kenner City Council for supporting the department, and said he was extremely proud of the department.

"I know how hard each and every member of the department works," Glaser said. "I believe this news will only serve to motivate the men and women of the department to work even harder to retain this prestigious ranking."

For the complete list, go to <http://www.valuepenguin.com/2015/07/2015-safest-places-louisiana>.

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