

The top 16 (dis)honest cities in the world – a 2013 survey

Reader's Digest "lost" 12 wallets in each of 16 cities – leaving them in public places, such as parks, shopping malls and street benches. Each wallet contained around \$50 (in local currency), a family photograph, a business card and the cell phone number of the wallet's owner.

The 16 cities chosen were (listed alphabetically):

- *Amsterdam, Holland*
- *Berlin, Germany*
- *Bucharest, Romania*
- *Budapest, Hungary*
- *Helsinki, Finland*
- *Lisbon, Portugal*
- *Ljubljana, Slovenia*
- *London, England*
- *Madrid, Spain*
- *Moscow, Russia*
- *Mumbai, India*
- *New York, USA*
- *Prague, Czech Republic*
- *Rio de Janeiro, Brazil*
- *Warsaw, Poland*
- *Zurich, Switzerland*

Before you read the results below, can you guess which were the most honest and dishonest cities in the study? This is what happened:

1. The most honest city was Helsinki. 11 out of 12 wallets were returned.
2. Mumbai was nearly as honest as Helsinki. 9 out of 12 wallets were returned.
3. 8 wallets were returned to owners in Budapest.
New York City was quite honest, too. 8 out of 12 wallets were returned.
4. 7 out of 12 wallets were returned in Moscow.
7 out of 12 wallets were also returned in Amsterdam.
5. 6 out of 12 wallets were returned in Berlin.
6 of the dropped wallets were also returned in Ljubljana.
6. Good Samaritans returned 5 wallets in London.
In Warsaw, just like London, only 5 wallets were returned.
7. Just 4 of the wallets were returned in Zurich.
4 wallets were also returned in Rio.
4 wallets were returned in Bucharest, too.
8. Prague was quite dishonest with only 3 wallets returned.
9. Just 2 out of 12 wallets were returned in Madrid, placing them second to last.
10. Lisbon was found to be the most dishonest city - only 1 wallet was returned.