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Headline: These NYC zipcodes have the highest - and lowest- restaurant violations
DEK: City inspection records show that zip codes in Queens and Nassau County have some of the highest average restaurant violation scores across New York City.

Long Island City tops the list for the highest average inspection scores, meaning that restaurants in the 11109 zipcode are receiving the most violations in New York City, according to city inspection data from NYC Open Data. Other zip codes included in the top five are Floral Park, Garden City Park, Queens Village, Flushing, and Jamaica –also ranked among the highest. After Long Island City, which averaged 41, Floral Park averaged a score of 39, Garden City Park averaged a 36, Queens Village and Flushing zipcodes both averaged 34.

Meanwhile, the lowest-ranking zip codes with the best inspection results were all in Manhattan, specifically Midtown, East Midtown, and Murray Hill, receiving the lowest average scores. Other notable zipcodes with low scores were in the Upper West Side and Morningside Heights. Inspection scores among the roughly 40,000 establishments range from 0, being the best, to 175, which is the highest score in the inspection. On average, restaurants score a 19, according to the city inspection data. According to the New York City Health Department's grading scale, restaurants that score 14 points or fewer on their initial or follow-up inspections receive an "A". Establishments with scores between 14 to 27 receive a "B", and anything that scores 28 points or more receives a "C".