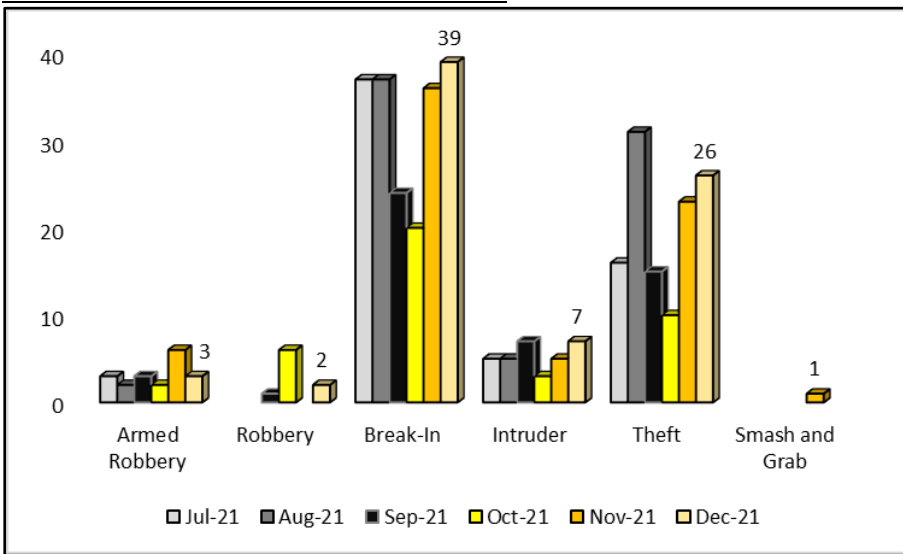


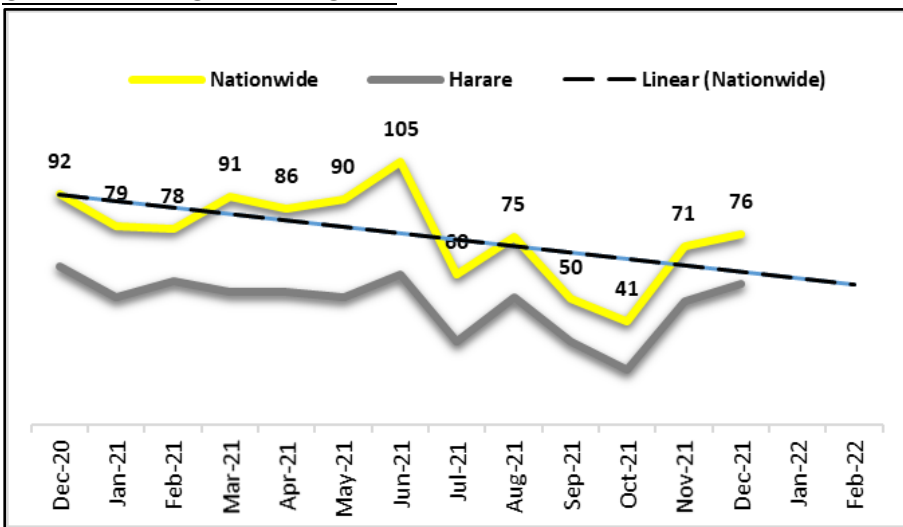
MONTHLY OVERVIEW

- During the festive season the incidents reported to Safeguard **increased by 8%** with an increase in all crime types except **robberies, which remained constant**.
 - However, in the rest of the country, violent crime increased **with fatalities reported during robberies in Beatrice, Mashonaland East and Macheke, Masvingo**.
- Looking at the incidents reported by the Zimbabwe Republic Police (ZRP) and those received by Safeguard, in the past month, it is evident that **gratuitous violence is on the rise** in the country.
- In the past month, Zimbabwe National Army (ZNA) confirmed the involvement of its personnel in criminal activity.
- Crime has also been **steadily increasing in Mount Pleasant and Harare West suburbs** (Milton Park – Monavale).
- The **involvement of employees in criminal activities increased** in the past month, with manufacturing sites more commonly affected in the past month.
- In Bulawayo, businesses were **increasingly targeted after leaving money on site overnight** during the festive season.

NATIONWIDE AND HARARE CRIME STATS



CRIME BREAKDOWN BY MONTH



SECURITY ADVICE

- Do not keep money on site overnight.
- Install sensors on your verandas and always ensure the screen gates are always locked at night.
- Ensure all keys, car keys, safe keys are kept in a secure area so that they not easily accessible by criminals.
- Avoid keeping safe keys on site during the day and do not leave them on site during the night.
- Ensure to arm your alarm and lock your doors and close your windows as early as possible.
- Check that nothing is obstructing your sensors before arming your alarm.
- Do not leave tools lying around in your yard as they can be stolen or used as weapons against you.

OUTLOOK

Crime is expected to remain high in January due to the increased cost of living. Additionally, the deportation of Zimbabweans from South Africa may result further influence the crime rate as stranded people try to earn alternatives means of living locally. The increase in crime will start with non-violent crime (break ins, theft, trade of illegal goods) and gradually result in an increase in violent crime if unabated.

Businesses and residences should be more cautious as there as an increase in the threat of internal involvement when it comes to robberies and high value thefts as employees try to supplement their incomes. Employers should vet individuals before employing them and ensure that there are systems in place to minimise internal theft. For example, conducting searches at exit and installing cameras in warehouses, factories and around the perimeter.

For a walk through of your security at home or business, please do not hesitate to give Safeguard a call before you go away for the holidays. Your safety is our priority.

Thank you for using Safeguard.

The Safeguard Team (Visit www.safeguard.co.zw for full area statistics and general security advice)

DECEMBER 2021 INCIDENT SUMMARIES

Suburb	Armed Robbery	Common Robbery	Break-In	Intruder	Theft	Total
Harare						
Ardbennie					1	1
Avenues			1			1
Avondale			1			1
Borrowdale	1				1	2
Chisipite			1		1	2
Chitungwiza			1	1		2
Emerald Hill				1		1
Epworth			1			1
Graniteside				1	2	3
Greendale			1	1	3	5
Greystone Park					1	1
Harare South			1			1
Hatfield					1	1
Highlands			1		1	2
Lochinvar			1			1
Mandara			1			1
Marlborough				1		1
Mbare			1		1	2
Milton Park			2		1	3
Monavale	1					1
Mount Pleasant			1	1	3	5
Msasa		1	2	1	1	5
Rolf Valley			1			1
Southerton			1		3	4
Strathaven			1			1
Sunway City			1			1
The Grange			1			1
Warren Park		1				1
Waterfalls			1			1
Willowvale					1	1
Workington			1			1
Bulawayo						
Belmont			2			2
City Centre - Bulawayo			4			4
Hillside			1			1
Killarney			1			1
Mountain View			1			1
Riverside North			1			1
Suburbs			1		1	2
Waterford			1			1
Woodlands			1			1
Manicaland						
Chipinge	1					1

Mutare CBD			1			1
Mashonaland West						
Norton			1			1
Matabeleland North						
Hwange					2	2
Midlands						
Gweru Industry			1			1

HARARE

Armed Robbery

29 December 2021, 17:30, Residential Site, Fenella Drive, Monavale: A client called the response team on behalf of a neighbour and informed the team that a robbery was in progress. The response team was dispatched and upon arrival they were informed that the complainant had been attacked by two men as she was closing the gate. The men disembarked from a new Honda Fit with no registration plates and pointed a gun at the complainant as she was manually closing the gate. The men went to the car and grabbed a handbag that had money, bank cards, a cellphone, house and gate keys as well as other particulars. The complainant was shoved to the ground and the men fled the scene. It appears that the client may have been followed home.

21 December 2021, 11:29, Commercial Site, Green Close, Borrowdale: A phone call was received reporting a robbery at the premises. Our team was dispatched and another vehicle was sent to collect officers from Borrowdale Police Station. A worker had been arrested by the local guard and another worker after he had threatened them with a pistol. He fired one shot which broke some liquor bottles in the shop, no one was hurt.

16 December 2021, 23:00, Industrial Site, Lorely Crescent, Msasa: At around 01:30 a rider called control room reporting a robbery at the above premises. Four unknown masked intruders entered the premises armed with two firearms, steel bars, screw drivers and a hammer. They tied up the guard on site and took his cap and jacket, one intruder watched over the guard whilst the other three broke into the building. They cut CCTV cables, and several burglar bars. They then proceeded to the accounts office, blasted the safe with explosives and stole an undisclosed amount of cash. The alarm was disabled, hence no signal was received and the CCTV hard drive was stolen.

13 December 2021, 02:38, Base Station, Swan Drive, Alexandra Park: Three male suspects arrived on site in an undisclosed vehicle and approached the private guard on site. The suspects attacked the guard with screwdrivers before attempting to open the palisade bars. A Safeguard guard close to the contract saw the suspects and raised alarm. A Safeguard response team was dispatched to the site but the suspects had already fled the scene. The guard sustained injuries to his head and his supervisor was advised.

06 December 2021, 19:59, Residential Site, Warren Park D: An alarm activated on site and the response team was sent. Upon arrival, the team was informed that three male suspects followed the complainants to their residence in a Toyota Wish, and parked behind them outside their gate. As the complainants were waiting for the gate to be opened, the suspects used a stone to smash open a passenger window and pepper sprayed one of the complainants. The suspects grabbed a handbag which had a significant amount of money and ID before fleeing the scene. No injuries were sustained as a result of the incident. The alarm was activated after the incident.

Shots Fired

26 December 2021, 21:15, Residential Site, Everington Close, Hatfield: A response team was dispatched after the client pressed a panic button. Upon arrival, the client informed them that she had heard gunshots and a woman screaming in the neighbourhood.

Break-in

31 December 2021, 06:00, Residential Site, Yarmouth Avenue, The Grange: A client called the control room and reported that her gate motor had been stolen. An alarm activated at 04:07 and when the control room called the client, she had advised the controller that all was in order on site.

30 December 2021, 06:30, Residential Site, Dawnhill, Greendale: The client called the control room and informed them that intruders had broken through the kitchen screen and door and entered the house. The intruders proceeded to steal a handbag that had money and fled the scene. The handbag was recovered at the gate without the money.

- 29 December 2021, 23:45, Residential Site, Alexander Road, Highlands:** An **alarm activated** on site and the response team was dispatched to the site. Upon arrival, the client informed the team that intruders had cut the toilet burglar bars. **The intruder fled the scene empty handed when the alarm activated.** The site has a 2metre high panelled wall with an **electric fence**.
- 28 December 2021, 23:15, Industrial Site, Martin Drive, Msasa:** An **alarm activation** was received from the site and a **response team** as dispatched. Upon arrival, the team met with a non-Safeguard guard who informed the team that intruders had **cut the electric fence** and attempted to enter the premise. **No losses were reported.**
- 28 December 2021, 05:04, Industrial Site, Martin Road, Msasa:** A response team was dispatched after the control room received a call about an incident on site. Upon arrival, the team met with a guard who informed them that intruders had **cut the electric fence** and **stolen four batteries** from vehicles parked on site.
- 27 December 2021, 01:22, Residential Site, Maxwell Road, Mount Pleasant:** A **phone call was received reporting intruders** at the premises. The client received a call from her son reporting the incident as she was not home. The intruders broke into the **cottage through a window** and stole some items belonging to students who are renting it. **The cottage was not alarmed.** The police report was filed during the day.
- 27 December 2021, 23:10, Industrial Site, Sunway City:** A response team was dispatched after an **alarm activated on site.** Upon arrival, the team met with a non-Safeguard guard who informed them that **intruders had attempted** to access the premise after **cutting part of the electric fence.**
- 24 December 2021, Unknown Time, Residential Site, Broadmead Lane, Rolf Valley:** A phone call was received reporting a break in from the previous night. Upon arrival the team met the man house-sitting the residence and the domestic worker. An unknown number of intruders entered from the western side and took advantage of **an old, fallen fence to enter** the premises. The intruder(s) broke a window on the ground floor to enter the house, and injured themselves as drops of blood were seen on the floor. **CCTV and its back up were stolen**, however, it is unsure what else was stolen as the **client is abroad.**
- 24 December 2021, 05:00, Base Station, Birmingham Road, Southerton:** A guard from the premises called control room reporting a break in, two palisade bars were bent and the cabinet room was left wide open. A team was dispatched. No alarm signal was received.
- 20 December 2021, 04:27, Residential Site, Harare Drive, Chisipite:** The response team was **dispatched after a panic signal** was received from the site. Upon arrival, the team discovered that intruders had cut the razor wire and stolen a gate sensor.
- 15 December 2021, 00:53, Commercial Site, Drummond Chaplin Street, Milton Park:** A response team was dispatched after the **alarm activated** on site. Upon arrival, the team met the caretaker and discovered that intruders had broken through a small window at the reception but **failed to remove anything** from the site.
- 15 December 2021, 01:34, Residential Site, Alderson Close, Greendale:** A non-client called the control room requesting assistance on site. The response team was dispatched and upon arrival they discovered that an intruder had attempted to force open the kitchen door using a crowbar. The resident informed the team that the saw the **intruder flee the scene when the response vehicle** lights shone into the property, **no losses reported.**
- 12 December 2021, 03:37, Retail Site, Douglas Road, Workington:** The client called the response control room requesting a **response team to be dispatched** to site. Upon arrival, the team met with a guard who informed them **that intruders had attempted to break** into the property.
- 12 December 2021, 02:16, Base Station, Orange Avenue, Lochinvar:** An **alarm signal** was received and **a response team** was dispatched. Upon arrival the team confirmed there was a break in, intruders covered a camera with a cloth, broke three palisade bars, fuel spillages were seen on the ground. **The team recovered 4 x 25 litre containers full of diesel.** Southerton Police attended the scene.
- 12 December 2021, 21:33, Base Station, Harare South/Mahusekwa, Harare South:** A response team was dispatched after an **alarm activated** on site. Upon arrival the team met a non-Safeguard guard who informed them that **intruders had cut a palisade bar** on the eastern side of the **premise but failed to enter** the base station.
- 12 December 2021, 01:39, Commercial Site, Weale Road, Milton Park:** A **non-client called** the control room and requested that a **response team be dispatched** to the site as a burglary was reportedly in progress on site. The non-client had been informed of the burglary by a guard manning a neighbouring site. Upon arrival, the team discovered that intruders had broken the store room window and attempted to enter the site. **No losses** were reported.
- 10 December 2021, 23:08, Base Station, Mathew Rusike, Epworth:** An **alarm signal** was received and a **response team was dispatched.** Upon arrival the team discovered two palisade bars had been bent upwards by intruders to gain entry. No fuel

spillages were seen on the ground and nothing else appeared tampered with, **nothing appeared stolen**. The case was reported to Epworth Police.

09 December 2021, 01:55, Retail Site, Unit G Makoni, Chitungwiza: An **alarm signal** was received and the **response team** was dispatched. Upon arrival, the team discovered that intruders had **forced open the screen door** and removed an undisclosed amount of property from the site. The site has a two-metre high durawall **but no electric fence or guard**.

07 December 2021, 02:47, Commercial Site, Cycad Way, Avondale: An **alarm activated on site** and the **response team** was dispatched to the site. Upon arrival it was discovered that intruders broke open the **main entrance** and **stole a computer** from one of the offices as well as some food. The computer was found dumped inside the yard. According to **CCTV footage**, the **intruder** was inside the yard when the business shut down for the day.

04 December 2021, 22:47, Residential Site, Mondness Road, Mandara: The client called a Safeguard employee and reported that intruders had opened his bedroom window, cut the burglar bars and stolen a purse from the bedroom. The **response team** was dispatched and upon arrival they discovered that intruders had jumped over the durawall, cut an inner fence and twisted the outside alarm sensor before proceeding to the bedroom window.

04 December 2021, 03:49, Residential Site, Douglas Clark Avenue, The Grange: The **response team** was dispatched after an **alarm activated on site**. Intruders vandalised a sensor but **no losses were reported**.

03 December 2021, 00:37, Base Station, Huxton and Matilda Road, Waterfalls: An **alarm activated** and the **response team** was dispatched to the site. Upon arrival, the team discovered that intruders had **covered the camera with a blanket** and cut the palisade bars and razor wire to enter the premise. The intruders tried to break through palisade bars housing the generator **but failed to remove anything**.

03 December 2021, 22:48, Residential Site, Mondyness Road, Mandara: The **client called** the response **control room** and informed the operator that intruders jumped over the panelled security wall, cut the internal diamond wire and **forced open the main bedroom burglar bars**. The intruders **took a purse that had money** and personal documents inside and fled the scene.

03 December 2021, 03:23, Residential Site, Aliwal Avenue, Strathaven: A **panic signal was received** and a response team was dispatched. Intruders **removed one durawall panel** on the western side. Intruders entered the cottage, forced open the bedroom door and **stole a laptop, handbag and some documents**. The intruders also **stole a bicycle which was outside**. **The client saw when the intruders were running away and pressed their panic button**. The **cottage alarm was not armed** at the time of the incident.

02 December 2021, 03:30, Commercial Site, Fife Avenue, Avenues: The **response team** was dispatched after an **alarm activated** on site. Upon arrival, the team discovered that the **main gate was open** and there was an employee working inside. During the checks, the team saw that the **back door had been forced open** by intruders but **nothing had been stolen** from the site.

Intrusion

30 December 2021, 01:28, Residential Site, Museve Road, Zengeza 3, Chitungwiza: The **client pressed the panic** button after she saw an intruder in her yard. When the **response team arrived**, the **intruder** was found in the car park and **arrested**.

30 December 2021, 02:09, Residential Site, Mount Pleasant Heights: An **alarm activated** on site and the **response team** was dispatched to the site. Upon arrival, the team discovered that intruders had **covered two sensors but no losses** were reported.

29 December 2021, 00:05, Industrial Site, Layland Road, Msasa: An alert **guard raised the control room** after he saw intruders on site. The control room advised the alarms supervisor and a **reaction team was dispatched** to assist. The intruders noticed that the guard had raised control and jumped over the security wall and **fled the scene empty-handed**.

27 December 2021, 22:57, Industrial Site, Sande Crescent, Graniteside: A **response team was dispatched** after a guard saw intruders inside the premise. The **intruder had fled the scene** by the time the response team arrived with police officers. **No losses were reported**.

27 December 2021, 02:39, Residential Site, Mount Batten Drive, Marlborough: An **alarm signal** was received in the control room and a **response team** was dispatched. Upon arrival, the team was informed by the client that there were intruders in the yard. The **team conducted checks** and **found an intruder** hiding behind a tree. The intruder, who is the client's gardener's son, admitted that he had entered the premise with the **intention to steal car parts** from a vehicle parked outside.

23 December 2021, 02:42, Industrial Site, Leyland Road, Ardbennie: An **alarm signal** was received and a **response team** was dispatched. The **CCTV operator noticed that a camera was not streaming** and went to **go inspect** the scene. He was struck on the shoulder by an iron bar by an intruder when inspecting the scene. **Two intruders then fled the scene**. The **building was intact** however they could not tell if anything was taken as there is a lot of scrap metal in the yard.

14 December 2021, 01:23, Residential Site, Leicester Road, Emerald Hill: A client called the control room on behalf of his neighbour. The client requested a **response team** to be dispatched as there **were intruders inside the neighbour's yard**. When the team arrived, it was discovered that the intruders **had fled the scene after the alarm eventually activated** and the **dogs chased** them in the yard.

Theft

29 December 2021, 06:30, Manufacturing Site, Simon Mazorodze, Ardbennie: **Three employees were apprehended** after they stole beverages from the site. The employees stole the beverages by **concealing the beverages** in their clothing and hid the beverages near a dog kennel. **CCTV footage confirmed the incident.**

29 December 2021, 14:40, Retail Site, Mbare: An employee was implicated **by three shoplifters in the theft** 4x50kgs of ammonium nitrate. It is reported that the shoplifters purchased beverages in the shop and added the ammonium nitrate into their trolley. When they exited the shop, the **employee checked the receipt** and failed to pick up the stolen ammonium nitrate.

29 December 2021, Industrial Site, Plymouth Road, Southerton: **An employee was arrested by an internal guard** after he stole some scrap metal from the yard. The client was informed of the incident.

28 December 2021, Unknown Time, Residential Site, Kew Drive, Highlands: **A guard raised to control room** that some **ZESA cables** had been cut near the residence he is manning. A Highlands Police officer attended the scene and ZESA were advised.

27 December 2021, 19:04, Residential Site, Palmer Road, Milton Park: An unknown number intruders unlocked the verandah screen gate and stole meat from the freezer. The intruders also stole some groceries and fled the scene. The client called the control room after discovering the theft.

27 December 2021, 15:00, Industrial Site, Woolwich Road, Willowvale: A 9 litre extinguisher was reported missing from the site. No signs of forced entry were reported. Guard on site.

25 December 2021, 02:30, Residential Site, Cambridge Drive, Chisipite: **A panic signal** was received and a team was dispatched. They arrived at 02:38, on arrival they discovered **4 x 50 metres of ZESA cables had been cut by intruders who fled when they saw the response team**. The cables were recovered, the Police and ZESA were advised.

24 December 2021, 06:31, Residential Site, Upper East Road, Mount Pleasant: **An alarm signal was received** and a **response team** was dispatched. The caretaker had set off the alarm when he noticed the **gate motor had been stolen**. Our team checked and nothing else appeared damaged or stolen. It is believed the intruders **scaled the brick wall** to steal the motor.

23 December 2021, 18:00, Industrial Site, Mukuvisi: An employee was arrested for stealing whisky from the warehouse. **The theft was discovered** as he was being **searched by a guard**.

23 December 2021, 03:07, Public Area, St Patricks Road, Hatfield: **A cable alarm signal** was received and a **response team** was dispatched. The team met a reaction team and a police officer who were checking the same alarm. Everything appeared in order. In the evening control room received a report from the telecommunications service provider of the theft. Two cables were stolen that are used to feed Chadcombe and Msasa Park.

21 December 2021, 03:00, Industrial Site, Dhlela Way, Graniteside: **A generator battery was stolen** from the premise. No signs of forced entry were reported. On the next day, an intruder was apprehended after he was found loitering inside the property. It was suspected that the intruder was responsible for the theft of the generator battery. When the intruder was handed over to the police, he was let go as the police noted that he seemed mentally unstable and therefore could not be detained.

21 December 2021, 06:35, Residential Site, Gaydon Road, Greystone Park: A phone call was received reporting a **theft of gate motor**. Upon arrival the team met the client who said she was unsure when the theft occurred. **Intruders cut two strands** of the electric fence and stole the gate motor only.

17 December 2021, 21:28, Commercial Site, Highfields Road, Southerton: A battery was stolen from a vehicle that was left parked outside the premise overnight.

15 December 2021, Unknown time, Industrial Site, Sande Crescent, Graniteside: Two employees were arrested after they attempted to steal boxes of mountain chains from the store room. The foreman found them in the process of moving the boxes resulting in the arrest. Guard on site.

09 December 2021, 03:36, Residential Site, North Road, Greendale: **An alarm activated** and a response team was dispatched to the site. Upon arrival, the team was informed that intruders had **cut 3 strands of electricity cables** and that approximately 50m of cable had been stolen.

09 December 2021, 01:32, ZESA Substation, Edstone Road, Greystone Park: An alarm signal was received and a response team was dispatched to the site. Upon arrival, the team discovered that intruders **cut 3 supply lines that link to the transformer.**

08 December 2021, 03:30, Residential Site, Fairbairn Drive, Mount Pleasant: An unknown number of intruders entered the premise through an **unlocked gated** and entered the house through an **unlocked kitchen door.** The intruders **stole 2 laptops, 3 cellphones and some money before fleeing the scene.** The residents discovered the theft after the intruders had fled the scene, and called the control room for assistance. The house is a **shared student accommodation and there is no alarm on site.**

06 December 2021, Unknown Time, Commercial Site, Remembrance Drive, Mbare: A checker reported a break in at the back office. An intruder broke a window to gain entry, stole a work suit and tampered with the weighbridge scale. The case was reported to ZRP Mbare.

05 December 2021, Unknown Time, Residential Site, The Chase, Emerald Hill: An unknown number of intruders **stole a car battery** from the premise. No signs of forced entry reported. Guard on site.

03 December 2021, 15:44, Industrial Site, Lytton Road, Southerton: An employee was arrested after attempting to steal a truck load of soya bean from the site. The soya beans were hidden under some waste when the theft was discovered. Guards on site.

02 December 2021, 01:15, Residential Site, Bromsgrove Road, Greendale: An alarm signal was received and a response team was dispatched. The client heard strange noises outside. Upon investigation the team noted that intruders had **cut and stolen four Zesa cables.**

02 December 2021, 01:48, Residential Site, Court Road, Greendale: A phone call was received and a response team was dispatched. The client heard strange noises outside. Upon investigation the team noted that three **Zesa cables had been cut and stolen.**

01 December 2021, 20:15, Commercial Site, Borrowdale Road and Breach Road, Borrowdale: An alert guard saw an intruder trying to steal iron sheets from the premise. The **guard approached the intruder and the intruder** dropped the sheets before jumping over the wall and **fleeing the scene.**

BULAWAYO

Break In

31 December 2021, 09:02, Commercial Site, Bristol Road, Belmont: An alarm signal was received and a reaction team was dispatched. Intruders **gained entry through the roof** and ransacked some drawers where they found keys to the safe and stole an undisclosed **amount of money** from the premise. Police attended the scene.

30 December 2021, Unknown Time, Commercial Site, Fort Street, City Centre: A phone call was received reporting a break in. Intruders gained entry **through the roof and disabled the alarm.** They **opened the safe with a grinder** and stole an undisclosed **amount of money** from the site. The case was reported to ZRP.

25 December 2021, Unknown Time, Commercial Site, Fort Street, City Centre: A phone call was received reporting a break in at the site and a **response team** was dispatched. Intruders gained entry by **breaking the lock** that held the burglar gate and **broke the glass door** which had been previously damaged. The glass door was held by cello tape. An undisclosed **amount of money** was stolen off of the premises. The case was reported to Bulawayo Central ZRP.

24 December 2021, 20:31, Residential Site, Cecil Avenue, Selbourne Park: A **panic signal** was received and a **response team** was dispatched. Intruders gained entry by cutting the electric fence and proceeded to the cottage where they pulled out the burglar bars. **The alarm was not armed,** the intruders entered inside the building and stole an undisclosed **amount of money.** The case was reported to ZRP Hillside.

23 December 2021, 02:35, Residential Site, Brentwood Road, Riverside North: An **alarm activated** and a **response team** was dispatched. Intruders gained entry through the **kitchen door by using a screwdriver.** The intruders stole a **new television which was still boxed.** They also opened and ransacked the cars parked outside but did not steal anything from them. **They were disturbed by the alarm and fled the scene.**

20 December 2021, Unknown Time, Commercial Site, Herbert Chitepo Street, City Centre: The incident was reported in the morning and is assumed to have took place late the previous night. The **intruders gained entry through the back of the shop** and found the safe, however, they **did not** manage to get the money. The **safe is covered by two sensors** but they did not activate, it is suspected that the radio and **alarm system might have been cut off soon after closing.** The incident was reported to the police.

17 December 2021, 21:05, Base Station, Mountain View: An alarm signal and a video signal were received and a response team was dispatched. On arrival the intruder had already fled the scene. The palisade bars were cut and diesel spillages were seen on the ground. Unknown amount of diesel was stolen. ZRP Magwegwe attended the scene.

14 December 2021, 00:50, Business Premises, Jason Moyo and 9th Avenue, City Centre: An **alarm activation** was received and a **response team** was dispatched. A positive break in was reported. Intruders gained access after they **vandalised the screen door and stole four laptops**. The response manager attended and the incident was reported to the police.

05 December 2021, Unknown Time, Business Premises, Doncaster Road, Belmont: An **alarm and tamper signal** were received and a **response team** was dispatched. Upon checking a positive break in was reported, Intruders gained entry by **breaking a small window** on the side of the building, they broke into the office where there is a safe. Besides the intruders tampering with the alarm system, **nothing was reported stolen**.

03 December 2021, 12:00, Base Station, Waterford: A **phone call** was received reporting a break in. A **response team** was dispatched. Intruders gained entry by **breaking a padlock on the main gate**. The case was reported to ZRP. **The client had previously been given recommendations** from our team to **improve their security** but they had **not made any changes**.

03 December 2021, 07:00, Mine, Killarney: A phone call was received reporting a break in at the site. It is undetermined how the intruders broke into the premises. They stole an undisclosed **amount of gold ore**.

03 December 2021, 01:53, Residential Site, Brentwood Road, Riverside North: A **panic signal** was received and a response team was dispatched. On their arrival at the property they were redirected to further down the road which is owned by the same client but **it is not armed**. A positive break in was reported, intruders **forced open a door to gain entry and stole a laptop and a cellphone**. The incident was reported to ZRP Hillside.

Theft

01 December 2021, 09:04, Residential Site, Clark Road, Suburbs: An **alarm activated** and a response team was dispatched. On their arrival they found that there had been a **theft of planks which were piled outside**. The planks were seen in the next door neighbour's property. ZRP Khumalo were advised and the neighbour was **arrested**.

MASHONALAND EAST

14 December 2021, 20:55, Public Location, Goromonzi, Mashonaland East: The Safeguard response team **picked up a 4-year-old boy along Goromonzi Road**. The boy said he stayed on one of the farms and when the team took him to the farm, the owners denied knowing him. **The boy was taken to Goromonzi Police Station for safe custody**.

MASHONALAND WEST

Break In

01 December 2021, 20:52, Residential Site, Nhowe, Norton: An **alarm activated on site** and the **response team** was dispatched. Upon arrival, an employee informed the team that all was in order on site. The **next morning another signal** was received and a team was dispatched to the site. It was then discovered that intruders had **broken a bedroom window but failed to remove anything from the site**.

MATABELELAND NORTH

Break in

12 December 2021, 05:10, Industrial Site, Crackley Lane, Hwange – A guard phoned in and reported that copper wire had been stolen from the position where it had been installed. The internal security guard was meant to cover the area where the theft happened but he was not at his post.

02 December 2021, 08:40, Industrial Site, Crackley Lane, Hwange – A detail on site phone control room and reported that 55 metres of **copper cables had been stolen** at six different points around the premises. The area manager was advised.

MANICALAND

Armed Robbery

29 December 2021, 03:30, Chipinge – A non-Safeguard cash-in-transit team reported that they were **robbed** of a significant amount of money and a pistol whilst staying overnight on site. The crew commander said an armed intruder entered the room where they were sleeping, pointed the pistol at him and demanded the keys for the vehicle. He allegedly opened the truck and took away the cash box before fleeing the scene. The case was reported to Middle Sabi Police.

Theft

08 December 2021, 14:20, Commercial Site, Chipanda Street, City Centre – A report was received that a **CCTV officer caught two people stealing** a significant amount of groceries, including clearing products and toiletries.

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Break in

14 December 2021, 23:40, Commercial Site, Berwick Road, Gweru – An intruder attempted to break into the building by smashing the glass door. However, **the intruder ran away when they saw the guard. Nothing** was reported **stolen**.