

## OVERVIEW

- A total of 81 crime incidents were recorded in June 2025, marking an 11% decrease from May 2025 and a 5% rise compared to the same period last year. The incidents reported in June 2025 primarily comprised violent crime, suspicious activities, and theft of unsecured valuables.
- Violent crime accounted for approximately 23% of reported cases, reflecting a notable decrease from 35% the previous month. Among these, five daylight robberies were recorded, with perpetrators frequently fleeing with large sums of money. In one incident at around 12:30hrs in Killarney, Bulawayo, intruders disarmed a private security guard, restrained him, and stole money from a safe before fleeing on foot.
- Residential properties accounted for 23% of incidents, with cases of armed robbery and targeted thefts reported at these sites. In The Grange, Harare, intruders forced entry during dinner, threatened the family, and stole money before fleeing upon the arrival of the response team whose swift response prevented further losses.
- Numerous reports were received from Harare and Mutare of intruders targeting critical infrastructure, specifically ZESA transformers and telephone cables. These incidents disrupted power supply, leaving premises without backup power to sustain security systems particularly vulnerable to intrusion.
- Vehicle thefts increased markedly, with five cases reported in a single day in Harare and Mashonaland West. Majority of these incidents resulted from negligence or carelessness, particularly where motorists left vehicles unlocked or keys in the ignition, creating easy opportunities for perpetrators.
- Over the past month there were reports of intruders directly confronting caretakers on-sites, highlighting the need to protect key personnel who often have access to sensitive areas.
- Most successful incidents occurred where one or more security measures were absent, inoperative, or compromised. The presence of alert security personnel, supported by functional alarm systems and other protective measures, remains vital in deterring crime and limiting losses.
- Safeguard security personnel reported multiple instances of suspicious activity. These proactive reports reflect commendable vigilance and have played a key role in the early detection of potential threats.

**Note:** *The incidents and statistics we report are those that we have verified. This report is a good indicator of crime across the country but by no means captures all incidents. For more information on the crime in your area or to share verified cases of crime, please contact us at [byoanalyst@safeguard.co.zw](mailto:byoanalyst@safeguard.co.zw).*

## OUTLOOK

Although overall crime decreased slightly from the previous month, incidents of violent crime, suspicious activities, and theft of unsecured valuables remain prevalent. Residential properties and critical infrastructure continue to be targeted, with robberies and vandalism causing significant concern. The rise in vehicle thefts, linked to security lapses, highlights the need for vigilant security measures. We forecast continued challenges in violent and property crimes, **emphasizing the importance for residents and businesses to maintain heightened awareness** and strengthen security protocols to mitigate ongoing risks amid persistent threats.

## ADVISORY

- It remains our long-standing advice that cash, machinery, and other high value assets stored on-site must be comprehensively secured at all times to prevent theft. Our fogging systems deliver a proven, final line of defense that instantly incapacitates intruders and safeguards assets, especially cash from loss. [Fogging system stops thieves in their tracks. – Safeguard Security Zimbabwe](#)

- If a caretaker is residing on-site, an alarm system must be installed at their residence to ensure early detection, as intruders often confront caretakers and forcibly demand keys to sensitive areas.
- Where possible, alarm systems must be armed fully or partially when at home and supported by reliable backup connections. [The Safeguard App | Safeguard Security Zimbabwe](#) or AJAX system allows users to easily arm and disarm their alarms and to report faults promptly. Should you require any assistance do not hesitate to contact us.
- Staff and security personnel should strictly enforce access control protocols, allowing entry **only** upon verified prior appointment or approval. Under no circumstances should confidential and sensitive information be disclosed to unauthorized individuals.
- Multiple layers of security should be implemented where possible as they provide continued protection if one layer is breached and enhance the overall effectiveness of incident response.
- Strong perimeter fencing coupled with reliable lighting that is ideally solar-powered is essential to safeguard property. Routine inspections must be conducted to ensure these critical defenses are fully functional, providing effective detection and deterrence against security threats.
- Always answer calls from your security service provider. Failure to respond can delay response times and jeopardize safety.
- All important records and surveillance footage should be regularly backed up offsite or in the cloud for investigation support.
- Motorists must exercise heightened vigilance by locking their vehicles at all times and never leaving keys in the ignition, even momentarily.

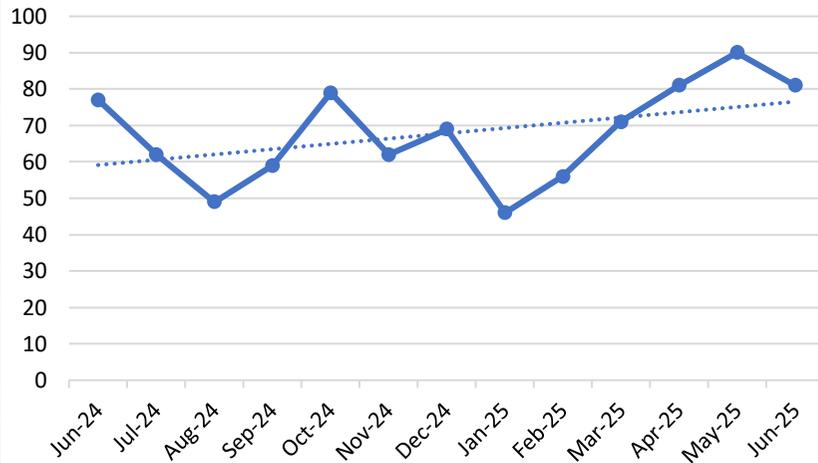
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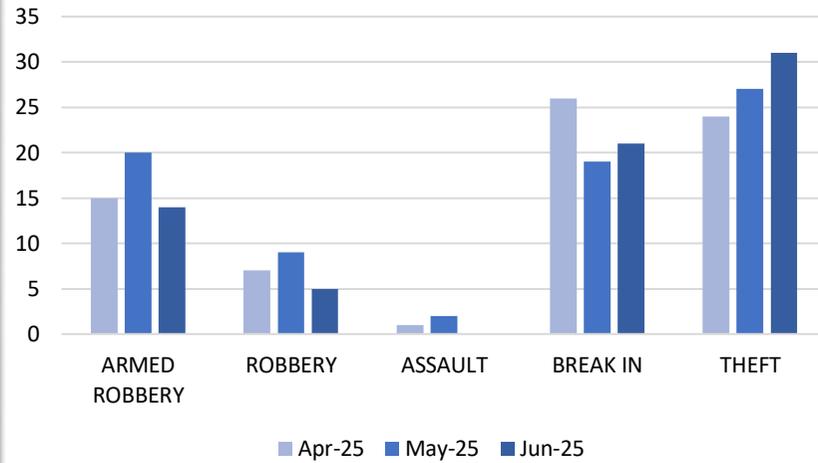
If you want to know more about crime in your area, or would like security solutions advice, please drop us a line at [info@safeguard.co.zw](mailto:info@safeguard.co.zw). You can also call Safeguard on +263 242 751395-9 (the Safeguard extension 1092/1009 for assistance)- or speak to your local Safeguard manager for advice on site. Please see more information relating to crime statistics below.

## MONTHLY BREAKDOWN

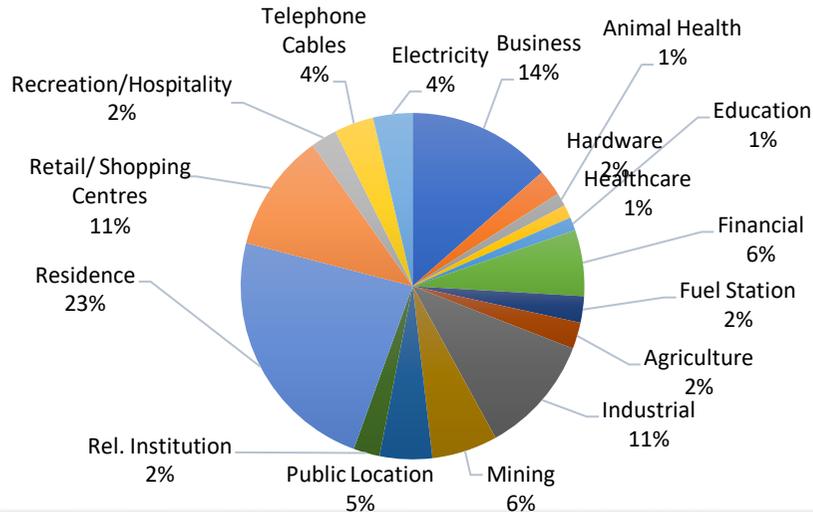
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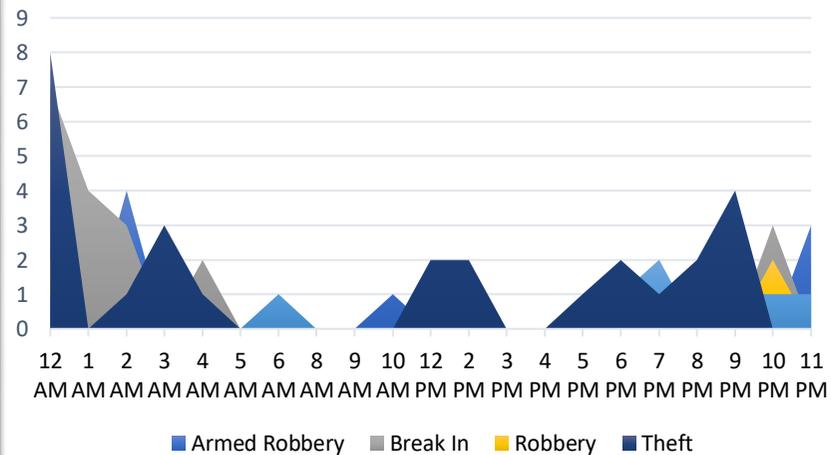
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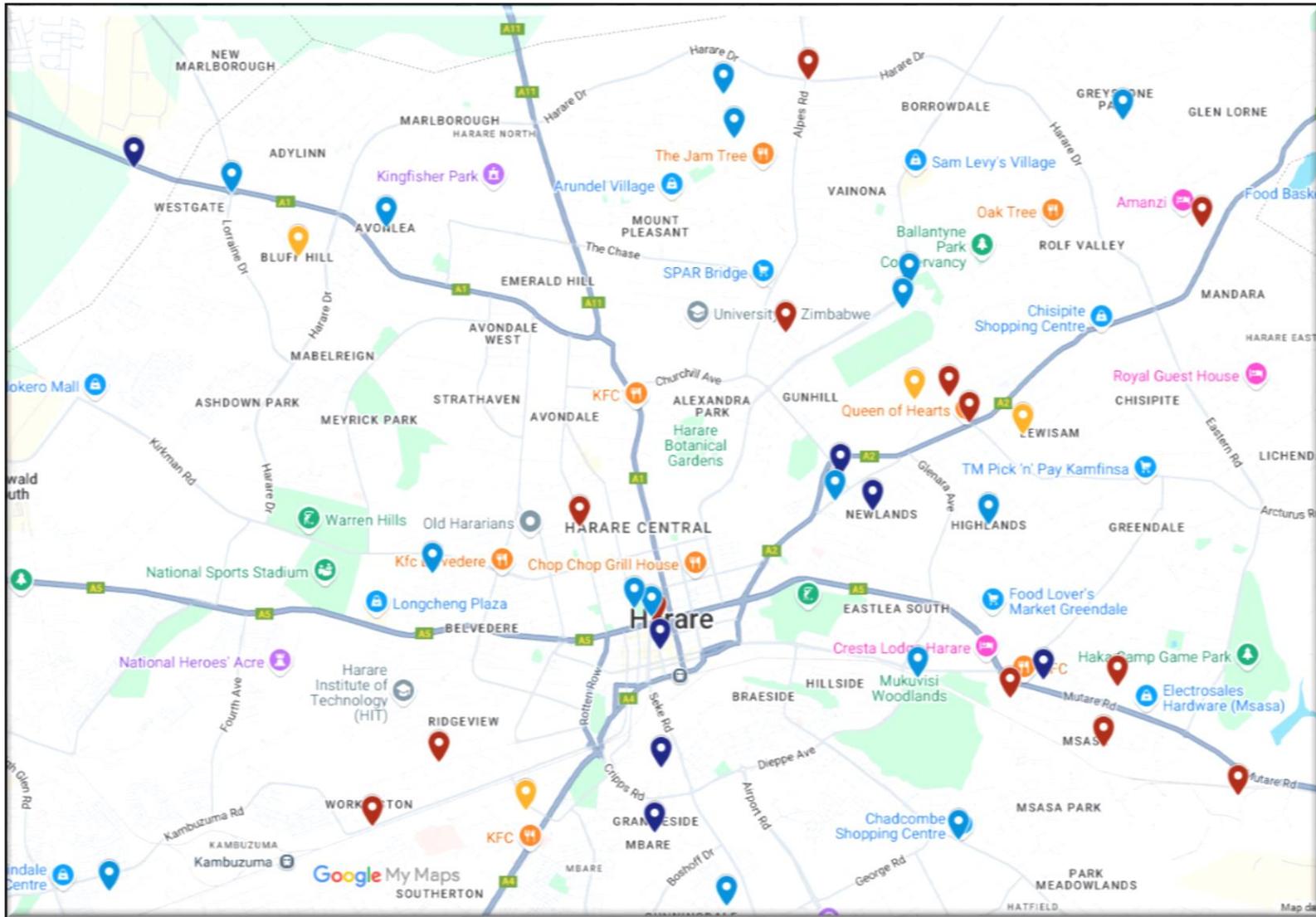
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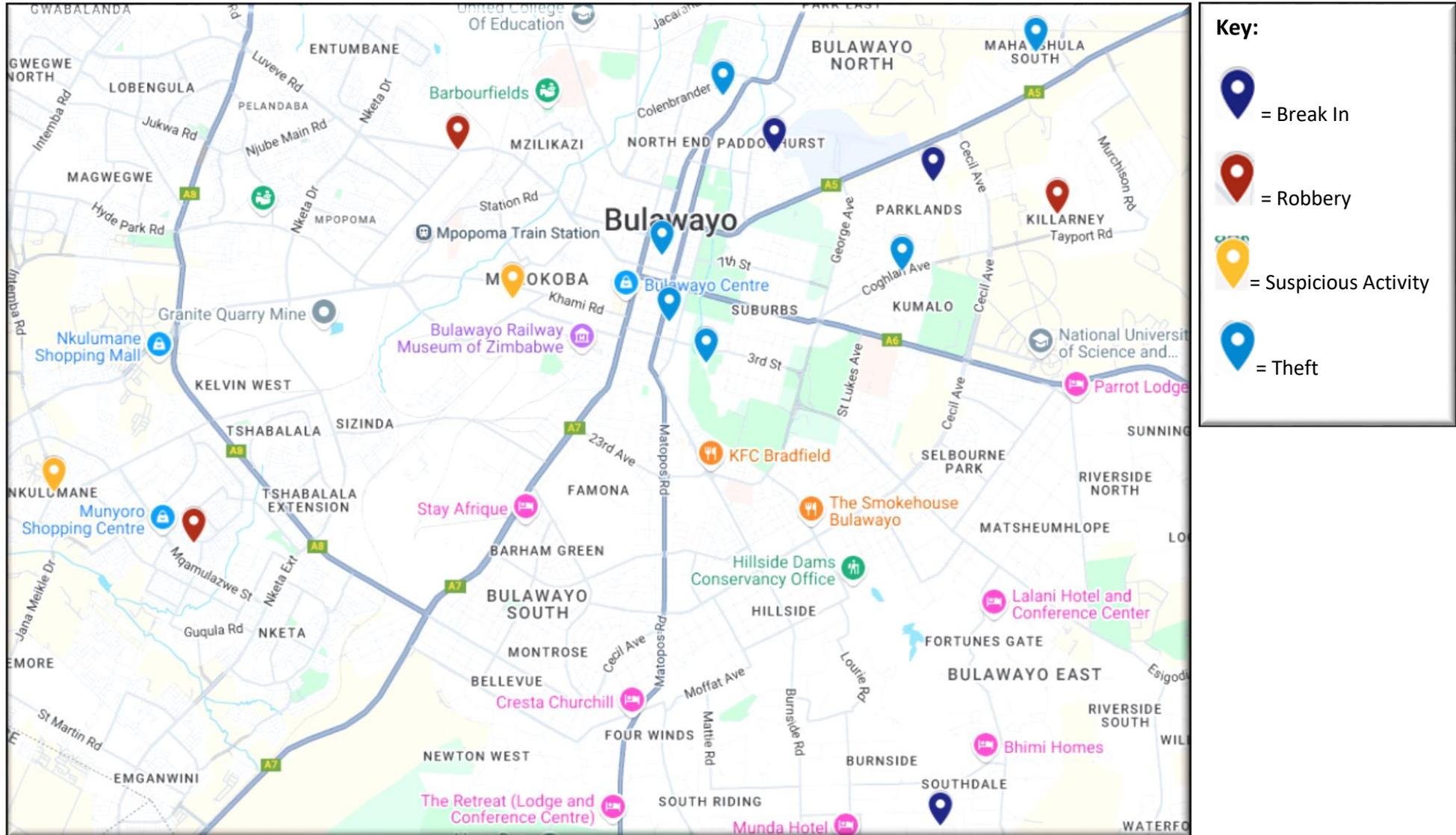
### GENERAL GOOGLE MAP OVERVIEW OF CONFIRMED INCIDENTS IN HARARES



**Key:**

- = Break In
- = Robbery
- = Suspicious Activity
- = Theft

### GENERAL GOOGLE MAP OVERVIEW OF CONFIRMED INCIDENTS IN BULAWAYO



## PROVINCE AND SUBURB BREAKDOWN

PROVINCE AND SUBURB	ARMED ROBBERY	BREAK IN	ROBBERY	SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY	THEFT	TOTAL
<b>BULAWAYO</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>13</b>
PUMULA	1					1
BURNSIDE		1				1
CITY CENTRE- BULAWAYO					1	1
ILANDA					1	1
KILLARNEY	1				1	2
MAHATSHULA					1	1
NKULUMANE	1			1		2
PADDONHURST		1				1
PARKLANDS		1				1
STEELDALE				1		1
SUBURBS					1	1
<b>HARARE</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>47</b>
ALEXANDRA PARK	1					1
ASPINDALE					1	1
AVONDALE					1	1
AVONLEA					1	1
BELGRAVIA	1					1
BELVEDERE					1	1
BORROWDALE					2	2
CHITUNGWIZA		1				1
CITY CENTRE- HARARE		2			3	5
COLNE VALLEY	1					1
EPWORTH					1	1
GRANITESIDE		2				2
GREENDALE	1	1				2
GREYSTONE PARK				1	1	2
HATFIELD	1				1	2
HIGHLANDS		1	1	2	3	7
MILTON PARK	1					1
MOUNT PLEASANT					1	1
MSASA	1		2		1	4
NEULANDS		1				1
NORTHWOOD					1	1
SNAKE PARK	1					1
SOUTHERTON				1		1
THE GRANGE	1					1
WATERFALLS					1	1
WESTGATE		1		1		2
WORKINGTON	2					2
<b>MANICALAND</b>		<b>2</b>		<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>
CITY CENTRE- MUTARE		2				2
GREENSIDE					1	1

MURAMBINDA					1	1
MUTARE				1	2	3
SAKUBVA				1		1
<b>MASH EAST</b>	<b>1</b>					<b>1</b>
RUWA	1					1
<b>MASH WEST</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>			<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>
CHEGUTU			1			1
CHINHOYI	1					1
KAROI					1	1
MUTORASHANGA					1	1
<b>MAT NORTH</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>				<b>2</b>
MABALE			1			1
VICTORIA FALLS	1					1
<b>MIDLANDS</b>	<b>4</b>			<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>
ASCOT- GWERU				1		1
CITY CENTRE- KWEKWE					1	1
HEAVY INDUSTRIES- GWERU	1					1
LIGHT INDUSTRIES- KWEKWE	1					1
LINDI PARK	1					1
MBIZO	1					1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>81</b>

## INCIDENT SUMMARIES

### BUSINESS SITES/OFFICES

**Theft, 23 June 2025, 2144hrs, Cardiff Road, Mutare, Manicaland-** A guard reported to the control room that during his patrol, he spotted an unknown male intruder carrying a vehicle battery. Upon noticing the guard, the intruder dropped the battery and fled the scene by jumping over the perimeter wall. The response team quickly attended, and investigations are ongoing.

**Robbery, 25 June 2025, 2030hrs, Unit O, Chitungwiza, Harare-** Police have arrested a 32-year-old suspect in connection with a robbery at the above-mentioned site. The suspect allegedly entered the shop armed with an okapi knife, threatened two individuals who were counting money and airtime scratch cards. He reportedly stole cash, airtime scratch cards, and two cell phones before fleeing. Police have recovered the stolen cell phones and some of the airtime scratch cards. Investigations are ongoing.

Link: <https://x.com/PoliceZimbabwe/status/1938274516301467656>

**Break-In, 18 June 2025, 0340hrs, 3<sup>RD</sup> Street, City Centre, Harare-** A report was received from the security guard on duty indicating that a Toyota Noah vehicle, previously parked near the premises, was seen speeding away. Upon inspection, the shop doors were found wide open, with the padlocks cut and the aluminium door open. Investigations are ongoing.

**Armed Robbery, 17 June 2025, 2236hrs, Wilson Drive, Greendale, Harare-** An alarm signal was received prompting the dispatch of a response team. Upon arrival, the team met with the caretaker and private security guards who reported that three armed intruders had breached the premises by displacing the perimeter panels. The intruders proceeded to the cottage where the caretaker was, forced him to open the door at gunpoint, and demanded his panic button. One of the intruders searched the caretaker's clothing and stole money and electronic items before fleeing. ZRP attended the scene, and investigations are ongoing.

**Armed Robbery, 16 June 2025, 0058hrs, Harvey Brown Avenue, Milton Park, Harare-** A call for assistance was received prompting the dispatch of a response team. Upon arrival, the team saw three intruders fleeing the premises and managed to apprehend one of them. Investigations revealed that the intruders had scaled the perimeter wall and used a crowbar to force open a window to enter the offices. Once inside, they ransacked several offices. A signal jammer believed to have been used to disrupt the alarm system was found in the intruders' possession as well as a pistol. An undisclosed amount of money was stolen, and the accused was handed over to the police for further investigation.

**Armed Robbery, 16 June 2025, 1000hrs, Cameroon and Albion Street, City Centre, Harare-** ZRP is investigating an incident where four unidentified intruders, one of whom was armed with a pistol, targeted a business premises and stole a significant amount of money. Investigations are ongoing, with further details to follow. Link: <https://x.com/PoliceZimbabwe/status/1934677914387128508>

**Robbery, 15 June 2025, 0047hrs, Roberts Drive, Msasa, Harare-** An alarm signal was received from the site, prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. Upon arrival, it was reported that approximately eight unidentified intruders had cut the razor wire at the rear of the premises to gain entry. Once inside, they ambushed the private security guards, tied them with shoelaces, and instructed them to lie down. The intruders then forced open an aluminium door, accessed the building, ransacked drawers, and stole available petty cash before fleeing. ZRP attended and investigations are ongoing.

**Robbery, 15 June 2025, 0015hrs, Natal Road, Belgravia, Harare-** The guard on duty phoned control reporting that four unknown intruders had ambushed and restrained him. While two of them stayed guarding him the other two proceeded to the offices where they vandalised the aluminium window to gain access. Once inside they used a grinder to force open two safes before fleeing. Investigations are ongoing to determine the extent of loss and damage.

**Break-In, 14 June 2025, 0203hrs, Kelvin North Road, Graniteside, Harare-** An alarm signal was received at the site prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. On arrival they reported that the main entrance door had been forced open, but the security screen door remained locked. Nothing was reported stolen, and investigations are underway.

**Break-In, 11 June 2025, 2256hrs, Lomagundi Road, Westgate, Harare-** An alarm signal was received from the above-mentioned site prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. Upon arrival, the team discovered that intruders had tampered with one of the building's windows by creating a hole and using a stick to lift the window lever. The keyholder confirmed that the intruders did not gain entry into the building and likely fled upon activation of the alarm system.

**Break-In, 09 June 2025, 0005hrs, Mahatshula South, Bulawayo –** A call was received from the site reporting unusual noises suggesting a possible break-in. A response team was immediately dispatched and, upon arrival, confirmed an attempted break-in. The back doors had been opened, and padlocks were missing; however, the security screen door remained intact and locked. No items were reported stolen.

**Break-In, 08 June 2025, Chinhoyi, Mashonaland West-** A break-in involving suspected use of dynamite explosives occurred at business premises in Chinhoyi, where unidentified suspects forcibly gained entry into the accounts office. Investigations are ongoing, and the public is urged to report any information. Link: <https://www.zbcnews.co.zw/explosives-used-in-daring-break-in-at-veterinary-services-offices-in-chinhoyi/>

**Theft, 07 June 2025, 1700hrs, Hillside Road, Msasa, Harare-** An employee at the above-mentioned site was caught in the act of selling scrap metal to a buyer without authorisation. The suspect was handed over to the police for further investigation.

**Armed Robbery, 04 June 2025, 0230hrs, Delpport Road, Msasa, Harare-** Intruders breached the perimeter wall and fired gunshots before vandalising property. A response team was dispatched and found the building door wide open, with several offices ransacked. The intruders blast open a safe but fled empty-handed upon discovering there was no cash on site. Investigations are ongoing.

**Suspicious Activity, 03 June 2025, 0146hrs, Carrick Creagh Road, Greystone Park, Harare-** A report was received from the site indicating that intruders had been spotted by the on-duty security guard. Upon noticing the presence of a patrol dog, the intruders fled the scene. No theft or damage to property was reported.

**Break-In, 03 June 2025, Time Unknown, Oak Avenue, Suburbs, Bulawayo** – An unknown intruder gained entry into the above-mentioned site through an unsecured toilet window. A fleece blanket, cash, and a cell phone were stolen before the suspect exited through the same point of entry. Investigations are ongoing.

## FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

**Armed Robbery, 0200hrs, Mount Darwin, Harare-** ZRP is investigating a robbery that occurred at the above-mentioned bank. Three unidentified intruders, armed with pistols, attacked the private security guard on duty before breaking into the bank. The suspects allegedly blasted open a safe and fled with a substantial amount of money and gold. Investigations are ongoing.

Link: <https://x.com/PoliceZimbabwe/status/1938287287374078388>

**Armed Robbery, 24 June 2025, 0252hrs, Snake Park, Harare-** A call was received from the client reporting a security breach. A response team was dispatched to the location. Preliminary reports indicate that armed intruders had forced open doors leading to the office area. Once inside, the intruders attempted to blast open a safe but failed to access any money. Before fleeing the scene, the intruders fired warning shots at the private guards on duty. No injuries were reported, and investigations are underway.

**Break- In, 22 June 2025, 0204hrs, Seke Road, Chitungwiza, Harare-** An alarm signal was received, prompting the dispatch of a response team. Upon arrival, the private security guard reported that the shop lights had been switched off. Inspection revealed that intruders had broken the rear screen door and forced open the door. The intruders then gained access to the offices by creating a hole in the ceiling before fleeing. Investigations are ongoing.

**Break-In, 15 June 2025, Unknown Time, ED Mnangagwa Road, Highlands, Harare-** A phone call was received from the above-mentioned site reporting that unknown intruders had forcibly broken a window pane and removed a burglar bar from the building in attempt to gain entry. Nothing was stolen as the intruders failed to enter the building. ZRP attended and the matter is under investigation.

**Break-In, 13 June 2025, 0900hrs, Arden Road, Highlands, Harare-** A call was received from the client reporting a break in. A response team attended and on arrival reported that investigations revealed that unknown intruders had scaled a perimeter to gain access into the premises. Once inside they proceeded to the offices where they cut the burglar bars with unknown implements to gain entry. Thereafter they broke into the server room vandalised the alarm system and stole the DVR. They vandalised a safe where they stole a significant amount of money, laptops and wigs before fleeing. The privately installed alarm system did not sound at the time of the incident.

**Armed Robbery, 03 June 2025, Night, Steppes Road, Colne Valley, Harare-** A group of approximately 10 unidentified intruders carried out a coordinated armed robbery at the above-mentioned premises. Three armed intruders ambushed and handcuffed the on-site security guard, while the others accessed the building by cutting through the roof. The intruders vandalised the control panel and ransacked several offices. Keys located in a drawer were used to access the vault, where three safes were forced open using a grinder. An undisclosed amount of money was stolen. Investigations are ongoing.

## FUEL STATIONS

**Theft, 24 June 2025, 2145hrs, Second Street, City Centre, Harare-** A deception theft was reported at the above-mentioned site after a motorist requested to exchange large-denomination notes for smaller ones from a fuel attendant. During the exchange, the motorist allegedly substituted genuine currency with counterfeit old Zimbabwean notes before fleeing the scene at high speed. The matter is under investigation.

**Theft, 22 June 2025, Unknown Time, Mutare, Manicaland-** Police arrested a 28-year-old suspect in connection with a motor vehicle theft incident that occurred at a local fuel station. The suspect allegedly stole an unattended, unlocked Toyota Ipsum that was parked at the service station and drove off. He was later apprehended at a nearby bus stop while illegally operating as a public transporter using the stolen vehicle. Investigations are ongoing.

Link: <https://x.com/PoliceZimbabwe/status/1937156192817561652>

## LEARNING INSTITUTION

**Suspicious Vehicle, 21 June 2025, 2304hrs, Lorraine Drive, Westgate, Harare-** The guard on duty reported a black Honda Fit (AGU 4560) loitering near the school gate, repeatedly driving past and occasionally stopping. A response team was dispatched immediately, but the vehicle drove off before their arrival. The area continues to be monitored closely as investigations progress.

## HARDWARE SHOPS

**Break- In, 27 June 2025, Unknown Time, Wilcania Street, Light Industries, Kwekwe, Midlands-** The client discovered a break-in at approximately 0755 hours upon opening the shop the following morning and immediately reported the incident. A response team was immediately dispatched and on arrival they reported that unknown intruders had gained entry into the building by cutting a window bar using a bolt cutter. A safe containing money was stolen. Police attended and investigations are ongoing

**Break-In, 12 June 2025, 0030-0300hrs, Kingsdale Walk, Greendale, Harare-** A suspected break-in was reported at a site in, Greendale, Harare, prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. Preliminary investigations, aided by CCTV footage revealed that the intruder gained access to the premises by scaling an unmonitored section of the perimeter wall. The suspect then accessed the building by cutting through the roof sheeting. Once inside, the intruder forcibly opened multiple office doors using unidentified implements and vandalised a safe. The matter was reported to ZRP, and the total value of stolen property has yet to be established.

## HEALTHCARE

**Suspicious Activity, 02 June 2025, 2219hrs, Murahwa Street, Sakubva, Mutare, Manicaland-** An alarm signal was received from the above-mentioned site, prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. Upon arrival, the team observed a suspect fleeing the premises. The individual was pursued, apprehended, and subsequently claimed to have been using the premises' Wi-Fi with an accomplice who had already fled. The suspect was handed over to Chisamba Police Station for further investigation.

## INDUSTRIAL / MANUFACTURING SITES

**Armed Robbery, 08 June 2025, 0419hrs, Coventry Road, Workington, Harare-** An alarm signal was received from the site, prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. Upon arrival, the team alerted control and requested backup after observing four intruders fleeing into nearby fields. It was established that the intruders had gained access by climbing onto the roof and removing an asbestos panel. They proceeded to grind through burglar bars leading to the cash office, crawling on the floor to avoid detection by motion sensors. The intruders then gained entry into the strong room by grinding open the door and subsequently forced open two safes, stealing a substantial amount of money. Recovered at the scene were a ladder, grinder, spanner, and a firearm believed to have been left behind by the perpetrators. Investigations are ongoing.

**Armed Robbery, 07 June 2025, 0000hrs, Nottingham Road, Workington, Harare-** A phone call was received from the site reporting that an armed robbery had taken place. A response team was immediately dispatched and, upon arrival, met with private security personnel who stated that six armed intruders had attacked around midnight, tied up the guards, and subdued 13 staff members who were on night duty. The intruders ransacked several offices and stole a significant amount of money before fleeing. Investigations are ongoing.

**Theft, 06 June 2025, 0240hrs, Glenshee Road, Highlands, Harare-** Control received a report from a client who observed an intruder near fuel drums on the premises. A response team was dispatched and, upon arrival, discovered signs of fuel siphoning, including a 20-litre container partially filled with fuel. The matter is under investigation.

**Break-In, 06 June 2025, 0157hrs, Conald Way, Graniteside, Harare-** A panic signal was received from the above-mentioned site, prompting immediate dispatch of a response team. On arrival, the team was met by the on-site security guard, who had activated the alarm after hearing suspicious noises. Inspection revealed an attempted intrusion through the removal of a perimeter panel. No entry was gained. Investigations are ongoing.

**Break-In, 06 June 2025, 0151hrs, Melbourne Road, Southerton, Harare-** An alarm signal was triggered at the above-mentioned site, prompting immediate dispatch of a response team. CCTV footage revealed three intruders in the backyard, who fled upon alarm activation without gaining entry. Investigations are ongoing.

#### **MINING SITE**

**Armed Robbery, 25 June 2025, Unknown Time, Coghlan Avenue Extension, Killarney, Bulawayo-** A phone call was received reporting an armed robbery at the abovementioned site, prompting immediate action. It is reported that three intruders confronted a private security guard on patrol, disarmed him at gunpoint, tied him with cable ties, and hid him under a parked vehicle. The intruders then cut through the perimeter fence, gained entry to the offices, and threatened two staff members at gunpoint. They forced access to a safe, stole a significant amount of money and a mobile phone, before fleeing the scene on foot. Police officers, including CID Homicide and the Canine Unit, attended the scene. Investigations are ongoing.

**Robbery, 17 June 2025, Unknown Time, Chegutu, Mashonaland West-** Police have arrested two intruders in connection with a robbery. Acting on received information, officers apprehended the intruders, who were part of a four-member gang that attacked a complainant and stole an undisclosed amount of cash. The complainant positively identified the arrested intruders. Investigations are ongoing as efforts to locate the remaining accomplices continue.

Link: <https://x.com/PoliceZimbabwe/status/1935372860064743910>

**Theft, 11 June 2025, 0325hrs, Coghlan Avenue Extension, Killarney, Bulawayo-** The guard at the above-mentioned site reported that he had apprehended a staff member who was in unlawful possession of what appeared to be gold ore. The gold ore was found in the employees' possession as the on duty guard was conducting a routine exit search which led to it being confiscated and the employee handed over for further investigation.

**Theft, 03 June 2025, Unknown Time, Buhera Road, Murambinda, Manicaland-** Information was received that two employees were seen at a local shopping centre in a vehicle suspected to be transporting stolen stones from the mine. Security personnel responded and, while en route, encountered another vehicle returning the two suspects to the mine. Upon arrival at the shopping centre, the vehicle was found parked, with the suspected material believed to be inside. The guards proceeded to the police station, collected an officer, and returned to the mine to apprehend the intruders. On instruction, the intruders opened the vehicle, where the stolen material was recovered. Examination confirmed the material to be tantalum and tantalum ore. The intruders were taken into custody and detained at the local police station for investigation.

## PUBLIC LOCATION

**Armed Robbery, 15 June 2025, Evening, Intemba Road, Pumula, Bulawayo-** Police are investigating a case where man and a woman were ambushed while travelling in a silver Honda vehicle en route to Nkulumane. Two armed intruders emerged from the roadside, forced the driver to stop, and ordered the female passenger to restrain him. The intruders then drove the victims into a bushy area before firing a shot that injured the woman on the foot. The assailants fled the scene with three mobile phones.

Link: <https://www.heraldonline.co.zw/armed-thugs-strike-in-pumula-shoot-woman/>

**Theft, 04 June 2025, ED Mnangagwa Road City Centre, Kwekwe, Midlands-** Police are investigating a case of theft from a motor vehicle that occurred in Kwekwe CBD. Four unidentified suspects, travelling in a Toyota Mark X, allegedly broke the rear right quarter glass of a parked Mazda CX-5 and stole a substantial amount of money. The suspects fled the scene, and investigations are underway.

Link: <https://x.com/PoliceZimbabwe/status/1931028723748270307>

**Robbery, 01 June 2025, 2200hrs, Mabale, Matebeleland North-** Two men from Dete have been sentenced to four months' imprisonment by the Hwange Magistrate's Court following a robbery conviction. The court heard that the victim was ambushed while walking home. One offender assaulted the victim, knocking him to the ground, after which the second suspect, who remains at large, stripped the victim naked and stole US\$3.

Link: <https://x.com/NPAZim/status/1934558629702856765>

## RECREATION/ HOSPITALITY

A 24-year-old man from Entumbane, Bulawayo, appeared in court yesterday under police escort, facing theft charges involving two lodges in the city. The accused pleaded guilty to stealing kitchenware and linen from the two lodges. Investigations are ongoing.

Link: <https://www.heraldonline.co.zw/towel-sheet-thief-dragged-to-court/>

## RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION

**Armed Robbery, 24 June 2025, 0243hrs, Harare Drive, Hatfield, Harare-** An alarm signal was received from the site, prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. Upon arrival, the team met with the keyholder and an on-duty private security guard, who reported that he had been overpowered by intruders. The intruders tied the guard's hands and disarmed him before proceeding to the cottage, where they held the caretaker and his wife hostage. The intruders then forced entry into the church offices, ransacked the premises, and blasted open a safe, where they stole an undisclosed amount of cash. Investigations into the incident are ongoing.

## RESIDENTIAL SITES

**Break- In, 29 June 2026, 0131hrs, Princess Drive, Newlands, Harare-** A panic signal was received prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. On arrival the team met with the client who narrated that she had pressed the panic button upon hearing unusual sounds coming from the lounge. The intruder is reported to have scaled over the perimeter wall to gain entry into the premises before using a spare key to open the screen door. The alarm also sounded, causing the suspect to flee the scene without stealing anything. Investigations are ongoing.

**Suspicious Activity, 28 June 2025, 1215hrs, Richmond Road, Highlands, Harare-** The control room received a report from the guard on duty that, four occupants in a maroon Jeep approached the property, demanding to know who had contracted the security services and the identity of the house occupants. The guard refused to provide any information, and the individuals left. At around 1315 hours, the same group returned in a white Nissan X-Trail and made similar inquiries. Again, the guard declined to disclose any details, and the visitors left without obtaining any information. The matter is under investigation.

**Armed Robbery, 26 June 2025, 1847hrs, Douglas Clark Avenue, The Grange, Harare-** A panic signal was received prompting the dispatch of a response team. Upon arrival, the team found an armed robbery in progress and called for backup. Five intruders had forced open the kitchen door to gain entry. The domestic worker, who was in the kitchen at the time, saw the intruders, screamed, and ran to lock herself in a room. The family, who were having supper, heard the commotion and pressed the panic button. The robbers armed with pistols and a machete, confronted the family, demanded cash, and locked them in a toilet before fleeing. The swift arrival of the response team disrupted the robbery, forcing the intruders to flee.

**Theft, 20 June 2025, 2030hrs, Winchester Road, Belvedere, Harare-** An alarm signal was received, prompting the dispatch of a response team. Upon arrival, the team met with the client, who reported that two unknown intruders had stolen a floodlight mounted at the corner of the perimeter wall. The intruders, operating from outside the yard, are believed to have tampered with the CCTV camera before stealing the light.

**Theft, 20 June 2025, Unknown Time, Garlands Ride, Mount Pleasant, Harare-** A report was received regarding a missing valve for a pump. According to the gardener, the valve was last seen on Wednesday in the backyard. He did not check on it the following day and only discovered it missing on the day of reporting.

**Break-In, 19 June 2025, 0240hrs, St Albans Drive, Parklands, Bulawayo-** An electric fence alarm signal was received from the above-mentioned site. A response team was immediately dispatched and on arrival they discovered that the electric fence had been cut. Nothing was reported stolen, and investigations are ongoing.

**Break-In, 19 June 2025, 0118hrs, Dillion Road, Paddonhurst, Bulawayo-** A panic signal was received from the above-mentioned address, prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. Upon arrival, the team discovered that the fence separating the client's property from the neighbouring premises had been cut, indicating a possible point of attempted entry.

**Theft, 16 June 2025, 0000hrs, Woodgate Road, Northwood, Harare-** A phone call was received from the client reporting that unknown intruders had forced open the small gate of his residence to gain access into the premises. Thereafter they vandalised the gate motor cover and stole the motor. The intruders fled undetected as the alarm was not armed at the time of the incident.

**Break-In, 14 June 2025, 0007hrs, Malvin Road, Lindi Park, Gweru, Midlands-** An alarm signal was received prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. On arrival the team discovered that unknown intruders had cut the electric fence however nothing was stolen.

**Break-In, 14 June 2025, Unknown Time, Aerodrome Road, Victoria Falls, Matebeleland North-** A phone call was received from the client of the above-mentioned residence reporting that unknown intruders had broken into their office and stolen a laptop and a bag. Footprints at the scene suggest the intruders scaled the wall to gain entry.

**Armed Robbery, 13 June 2025, 2310hrs, Harry Pichanick Drive, Alexandra Park, Harare-** An alarm signal was received prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. On arrival the resident narrated that while the private detail on duty was seated in the guard room, he heard unusual noises. As he went outside to investigate, he encountered eight intruders who tied him with shoe laces and instructed him to sit down and remain silent. After questioning him about office keys and learning that it was a residential property, the intruders fled empty handed. ZRP attended and the matter is under investigation.

**Break-In, 11 June 2025, 0148hrs, Sparrow Lark Road, Burnside, Bulawayo-** A panic signal was received at the above-mentioned site prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. On arrival the team found two broken windows and heard a report from the client that unknown intruders had thrown a stone at the windows after having probably gained entry into the premises by jumping over the perimeter wall.

**Armed Robbery, 1 June 2025, 2330hrs, Kew Drive, Highlands, Harare** - During site checks, a supervisor was ambushed upon arrival and tied up alongside the on-duty guard. Reports cited that ten armed intruders had gained entry by cutting the electric fence and proceeded to the guest house where they forced entry through a window and door before fleeing the scene without stealing anything.

Residents of Mahatshula suburb in Bulawayo are alarmed by a surge in squatters occupying incomplete houses, turning the area into a hub for crime and disorder. The squatters, reportedly from nearby areas like Killarney, have moved into abandoned properties leading to vandalism, theft, drug abuse, and other illegal activities. Residents say the situation has escalated from a few seeking shelters into a serious community concern.

Link: <https://www.heraldonline.co.zw/squatters-take-over-unfinished-houses/>

## RETAIL/ SHOPPING CENTRES

**Theft, 26 June 2025, 1830hrs, Fife Street, City Centre, Bulawayo**- The Safeguard guard on duty arrested an unknown suspect for shoplifting. The suspect was handed over to ZRP for further investigations.

**Theft, 27 June 2025, 1441hrs, Charles Prince Airport Road, Mount Hampden, Harare**- An alarm signal was received, prompting the dispatch of a response team. On arrival the team heard that unknown intruders broke through a perimeter panel and siphoned diesel using a hose pipe estimated to be over 75 metres long. The fuel is believed to have been transferred into an unknown vehicle that was waiting alongside Lomagundi Road. The response team responded swiftly but found no intruders on site. A hose pipe, believed to have been used in the theft, was recovered as evidence. Investigations are ongoing.

**Theft, 24 June 2025, 1435hrs, Borrowdale Lane, Borrowdale, Harare**- A panic signal was received from the detail on duty at the above-mentioned shopping centre prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. Upon arrival, it was confirmed that a theft from vehicle had occurred. Intruders in a suspicious vehicle parked next to the client's car, broke a window and stole a laptop bag along with another bag containing important documents. The intruders then fled the scene immediately. The matter is currently under investigation.

**Theft, 21 June 2025, 1400hrs, Enterprise Road, Highlands, Harare**- A customer's vehicle was broken into while parked. The incident occurred shortly after the client entered the shop. CCTV observations suggest the intruders had been monitoring the area. One suspect followed the customer into the shop while an accomplice accessed the vehicle and stole money. The individual believed to have committed the theft had been seen earlier seated at various points near the scene.

**Theft, 21 June 2025, 1200hrs, Chiremba Road, Hillside, Harare**- During a site visit, a Safeguard manager intercepted two employees moving eight bags of fats without valid authorisation. The receipt provided was expired, and their supervisor confirmed no approval had been given. The employees were suspended pending further investigation.

**Theft, 18 June 2025, 1945hrs, Kirkman and Dr Nyamutswa Road, Madokero, Harare**- The security guard at the site received a report from a customer who discovered that two blankets and a handbag containing clothes had been stolen from her vehicle. The victim, who had been unloading groceries at her house, noticed the missing items and returned to the centre to report the theft. The thieves are believed to have gained entry through the driver's window, which does not close properly.

**Armed Robbery, 04 June 2025, Midmorning, Nkulumane 12, Bulawayo**- Three armed intruders targeted a supermarket, stealing an undisclosed amount of cash. One suspect fired a warning shot while another guarded the entrance. No injuries were reported. Investigations are ongoing.

Link: <https://www.heraldonline.co.zw/armed-robbers-hit-sai-mart-in-nkulumane-make-off-with-cash/>

## TELEPHONE CABLES

**Theft, 23 June 2025, 0322hrs, Kilwinning Road, Hatfield, Harare-** A cable alarm signal was received from the above-mentioned location, prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. Upon arrival, the client reported that an unknown number of intruders had dug out and stolen telephone cables before fleeing the scene unnoticed. Investigations are ongoing.

**Theft, 09 June 2025, 0305hrs, Lomagundi Road, Avondale, Harare-** A cable alarm was received at the above-mentioned site prompting the immediate dispatch of a response team. On arrival they met the client who reported that investigations revealed that two holes had been opened and cables had been cut and stolen. Client declined police involvement, and the matter is being investigated internally.

## ZESA CABLES

**Theft, 27 June 2025, Unknown Time, Enterprise Road, Highlands, Harare-** A report was received from the day guard on duty indicating that approximately 3 meters of armoured cable, located outside the premises was stolen. The matter is under investigation.

## OTHER MEDIA REPORTS

ZRP has raised concern over a growing trend in motor vehicle thefts across the country, with recent cases linked to negligence such as leaving cars unlocked or keys in the ignition. Incidents have increased in both residential areas and public spaces, particularly when vehicles are left unattended. On 12 June 2025, five vehicles were stolen in separate incidents in Harare and Mashonaland West. In Avonlea, two vehicles were stolen during a break-in at a company premises, while in Karoi and Mutorashanga, vehicles were stolen after being left with keys inside or entrusted to unfamiliar individuals. In Ruwa, burglars stole car keys from a locked home and fled with a parked vehicle.

Link: <https://x.com/PoliceZimbabwe/status/1934629778289525154>

Police in Centenary have arrested a 44-year-old suspect in connection with a robbery that occurred on 22 June 2025. The suspect, along with two accomplices still at large, allegedly stormed the complainant's residence, assaulted her, and stole money and two cell phones. One of the stolen cell phones has since been recovered. Investigations are ongoing as efforts to apprehend the remaining suspects continue.

Link: <https://x.com/PoliceZimbabwe/status/1937156111037039090>

A burglary occurred on 30 May 2025 at a residential property in Madokero suburb, Harare, where over a quarter of a million US dollars was stolen. An unidentified suspect allegedly broke into the victim's home and made off with a bag containing the money. The matter is under investigation, and the story is still developing. Link: <https://www.newzimbabwe.com/money-heist-harare-man-loses-us280000-in-burglary/>

A Harare man appeared in court on 30 May 2025 facing charges of kidnapping, attempted murder, and armed robbery after allegedly abducting and assaulting a Mabvuku resident on 9 May 2025. The accused and accomplices, still at large, reportedly forced the victim into an unregistered vehicle, robbed him of money and personal documents, and drove him to a remote area near Shamva. There, they severely assaulted him before fleeing. Link: <https://www.heraldonline.co.zw/harare-man-abducted-robbed-dumped-in-shamva/>

Two men from Glen View, Harare, have been sentenced to 32 years in prison each after being convicted on three counts of robbery. The court heard that on May 25, 2025, the duo targeted a woman who had briefly parked her silver Honda Fit on Glen Eagles Road, leaving the keys in the ignition. One of the offenders entered the vehicle and drove off. As the victim attempted to give chase, the second man intercepted her, snatched her cell phone, and jumped into the speeding car. The pair went on to rob other victims on separate occasions. Link: <https://x.com/NPAZim/status/1929556822119067817>

Three men have appeared before the Chinhoyi Magistrates' Court facing two counts of robbery. The suspects are accused of luring unsuspecting commuters under false pretences before robbing them at knifepoint. On 06 May 2025, the accused allegedly offered a lift to two passengers at a local bus stop using a maroon Nissan Sylphy Bluebird. Upon reaching the victims' intended drop-off points, the trio reportedly ambushed them, threatening them with a sjambok and used pepper spray before robbing them of cell phones and personal belongings. Police investigations led to the arrest of the suspects and the recovery of several stolen goods. Link: <https://x.com/NPAZim/status/1932444589605941561>

Detectives from CID Homicide in Bulawayo have arrested a suspect in connection with the recent theft of US\$46,000 from a parked vehicle in Kwekwe's Central Business District. The suspect was apprehended in Cowdray Park, Bulawayo, following a tip-off. The arrest led to the recovery of a cellphone, a getaway vehicle, false registration plates, tools, and clothing matching CCTV footage from the crime scene. A manhunt is ongoing for the suspect's alleged accomplices, and police are appealing to the public for any information that may assist investigations. Link: <https://www.heraldonline.co.zw/police-arrest-suspect-in-us46-000-kwekwe-vehicle-robbery/>

The Inyathi Magistrates Court has convicted a man from Famona, Inyathi, for the unlawful possession of explosives. On 14 June 2025, police officers acting on a tip-off conducted a search at the suspect's residence in Famona, Inyathi. The search uncovered explosives including detonators, fuses, and lighting cords. The accused failed to provide valid documentation authorizing possession of these items, resulting in his arrest and subsequent conviction. Link: <https://x.com/NPAZim/status/1937154195104080269>