

# SECUREX SECURITY BRIEFING

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## SECURITY OVERVIEW

President William Ruto on Thursday hosted President Hassan Mohamud of Somalia at State House, Nairobi. Discussions revolved around establishing joint initiatives to combat terrorism and address general insecurity in the region.

Transport Cabinet Secretary (CS) Kipchumba Murkomen issues 13 road safety measures and a detailed strategy to reduce the number of deaths on the roads. This came following an increase in road accidents in the country with fatalities as a result.

TikTok, the Chinese video-sharing platform, has expressed its readiness to work closely with the government to ensure the safety of its local users. The platform has been under scrutiny due to concerns about the nature of offensive content shared.

Cyberspace is now a leading threat to national and transnational security, the government says. Interior Cabinet Secretary Kithure Kindiki said the cyberspace has become the fourth frontier of the nations' border security after land, sea, and air owing to its increasing threats.

The Kenya Meteorological Department launched a new mobile application to give near-real-time information on storms across the country. Dubbed 'FASTA', an acronym for Forecasting African Storms Application, the platform announced on Tuesday, gives heavy rainfall warning of a location for up to the next two hours.

## TAKE A PEEK

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**214**

**Total incidents recorded this week compared to 196 incidents recorded last week.**

# TRENDS

## Crime Trends Nairobi

Crime rates In Nairobi showed slight change, with a minimal uptick, with reported incidents increasing from 49 to 60 in Week 2. Emerging and prevalent crimes with significant increases across the county included cases of break-ins (7) and protests (5). Additionally, armed robbery saw a slight rise from 2 to 6 cases. Despite the uptrend in the number of incidents in Nairobi, there was a notable reduction in homicides, decreasing from 10 to 3 cases. Arrests also saw a significant decrease, reducing from 16 to 9. There were no cases of drug trafficking and illicit brews reported in the city this week.



### ARRESTED SUSPECTS

This week in Nairobi, law enforcement rounded up approximately 9 individuals, marking a slight reduction from the previous week's total of 16 arrests. The individuals were detained for a range of criminal activities, including traffic violations and break-ins. The rise in cases where thugs on motorcycles attack and rob pedestrians, also prompted an operation targeting the group by the police, which saw a few suspects also nabbed.

### BREAK-IN

Break-ins and burglaries came in as the second most prevalent crime in Nairobi this week, with 7 cases reported. Most burglaries reportedly occurred in residential areas, in the bright light of day between Noon and 4 PM when houses were unoccupied. The burglars mostly stole cash and goods they could easily carry, including jewelry, gas cylinders, televisions sets, stereo equipment, and computers.



### ARMED ROBBERY

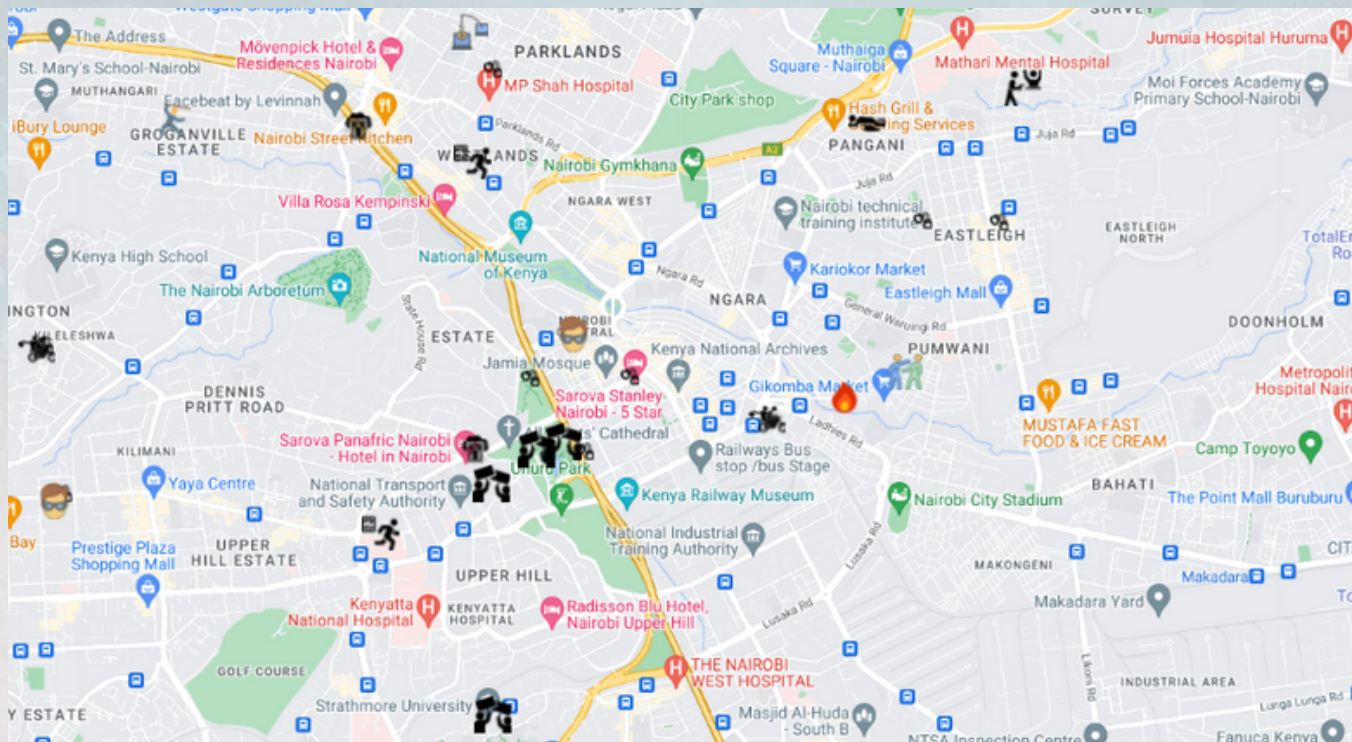
Armed robberies notably increased in Nairobi this week, with 6 cases reported, up from 2 the previous week. The robberies are prevalent in public spaces based on this week's analysis, with the police saying they have enhanced operations in areas such as Embakasi North and Kibra constituencies identified as high risk across the city to address the cases.



# TRENDS



## Hotspot Areas - Nairobi



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## Crime Trends Countrywide

### ARRESTED SUSPECTS

The number of persons arrested for committing various crimes across the country decreased to 37 from last week's 42. The decrease in the number of arrests was driven by a decline in the clampdown on drug trafficking and illicit brews by law enforcement agencies.

There were 30 homicides recorded this week, 9% lower than the previous week (33 offences). As observed, there were low homicide rates in rural areas, with the exception of a number of counties, predominantly in the urban areas that showed high homicide rates.

### HOMICIDE



### ARMED ROBBERY

This week, the national robbery rate increased from 14 to 26 cases, with Nairobi and Kisii counties registering the highest robbery rates. Furthermore, cases where police firearms were used to commit robbery were notable raising a security concern. As also noted, majority of these robbery incidents occurred in public spaces.



## ONE DEAD, TWO INJURED AS AL-SHABAAB TORCH VEHICLES IN LAMU



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A policeman has died in the Mexican city of Zacatelco after being beaten by residents enraged over the murder of a taxi driver. The officer reportedly intervened when locals set upon two men suspected of killing...

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### UNITED STATES

An American astrology influencer stabbed her boyfriend to death and threw her two kids out of a speeding car onto a busy Los Angeles highway - all driven by the recent total solar eclipse witnessed across the US.

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### SOMALIA

The US Embassy in Nairobi Monday issued a travel advisory to US citizens against travelling to Somalia owing to terror threats. The Embassy said it received information from the US Embassy in Somalia about...

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## WEEKLY SECURITY TIPS

There has been a sharp rise in road accidents recorded in the first quarter. Here are road safety tips to curb road accidents

### 1. Sharpen Your Driving Skills-

- **Defensive Driving Courses:** Consider taking a refresher course to sharpen your defensive driving skills. Focus on techniques like maintaining a safe following distance, anticipating other drivers' actions, and hazard perception.
- **Practice Makes Perfect:** If comfortable, find a safe, open area (parking lot) to practice maneuvers like emergency braking and swerving (controlled techniques to avoid collisions).

### 2. Focus on Visibility and Awareness-

- **Lights On, Day & Night:** Turn on your headlights during the day, especially in bad weather or low-light conditions. This increases your vehicle's visibility.
- **Minimize Distractions:** Put your phone away! Eliminate distractions like eating, applying makeup, or loud music. Keep your focus on the road.
- **Check Mirrors and Blind Spots:** Regularly check your mirrors and blind spots before changing lanes or merging.

### 3. Adjust Your Speed and Be Weather-Wise-

- **Slow Down:** Obey speed limits and adjust your speed further for bad weather, heavy traffic, or unfamiliar roads.
- **Increase Following Distance:** Double or even triple your usual following distance to give yourself more reaction time in case of sudden stops.
- **Weather Woes:** Be extra cautious during rain, fog, or strong winds. Reduce speed and increase following distance significantly.

### 4. Promote Road Safety Awareness-

- **Spread the Word:** Talk to friends and family about the recent rise in accidents and the importance of safe driving.
- **Stay Informed:** Follow local news and traffic updates for information on accident-prone zones or road closures.

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