

WEEKLY SECURITY UPDATE

KENYA



ANTI-TAX PROTEST UPDATE

12th, July 2024

In recent weeks, Kenya has witnessed significant social and political developments spurred by the Anti-tax protests, initiated primarily by the country's youth, particularly Generation Z. These protests have catalyzed a series of events involving government responses, youth activism, and leadership changes, marking a pivotal period in Kenya's contemporary political landscape. The following points outline the sequence of key events that have unfolded this week:

- **Friday, July 5th** - President engages with Gen Z on X platform to discuss their concerns.
- **Sunday, July 7th** - Memorial Concert at Uhuru Park to honor protesters killed during the Anti-tax protest.
- **Tuesday, July 9th** - President assents to the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) Amendment Bill, 2024 at KICC.
- **Thursday, July 11th** - President dismisses almost his entire cabinet.
- **Friday, July 12th** - Inspector General of Police resigns.

Normalcy has been **observed** in major towns and cities across the country following three weeks of anti-tax protests. The capital, Nairobi, saw a return to business as usual with most establishments operational this week. The President on Tuesday **announced** a six-day multi-sectoral dialogue forum beginning Monday, July 15, to discuss issues pressing Kenyans. The forum comes in the wake of the nationwide protests against taxation.

Total incidents
recorded this week
compared to 240
incidents recorded
last week.

220

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OVERVIEW

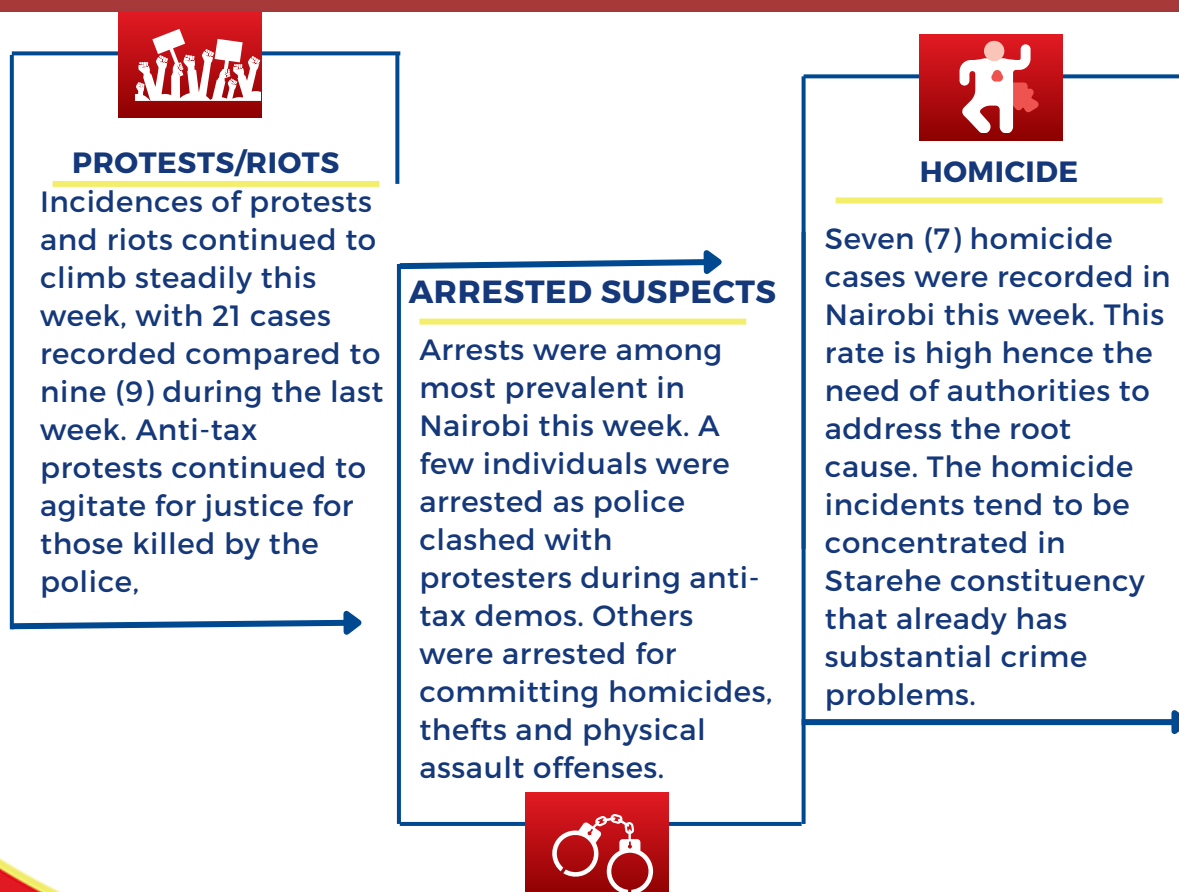
Digital fraud schemes are on the rise in the country with 80 per cent of Kenyan having been targeted in the first three months of year, a new TransUnion's Consumer Pulse Survey has shown. From the findings a notable 72 per cent of respondents who reported being targeted by digital fraud schemes successfully avoided falling victim.

The Government has **adopted** a new comprehensive national strategy against violent extremism and terrorism. Through the National Counter Terrorism Centre (NCTC), the government is reviewing the national strategy in order to address new and emerging trends in the digital space and the changing population demographics.

TRENDS

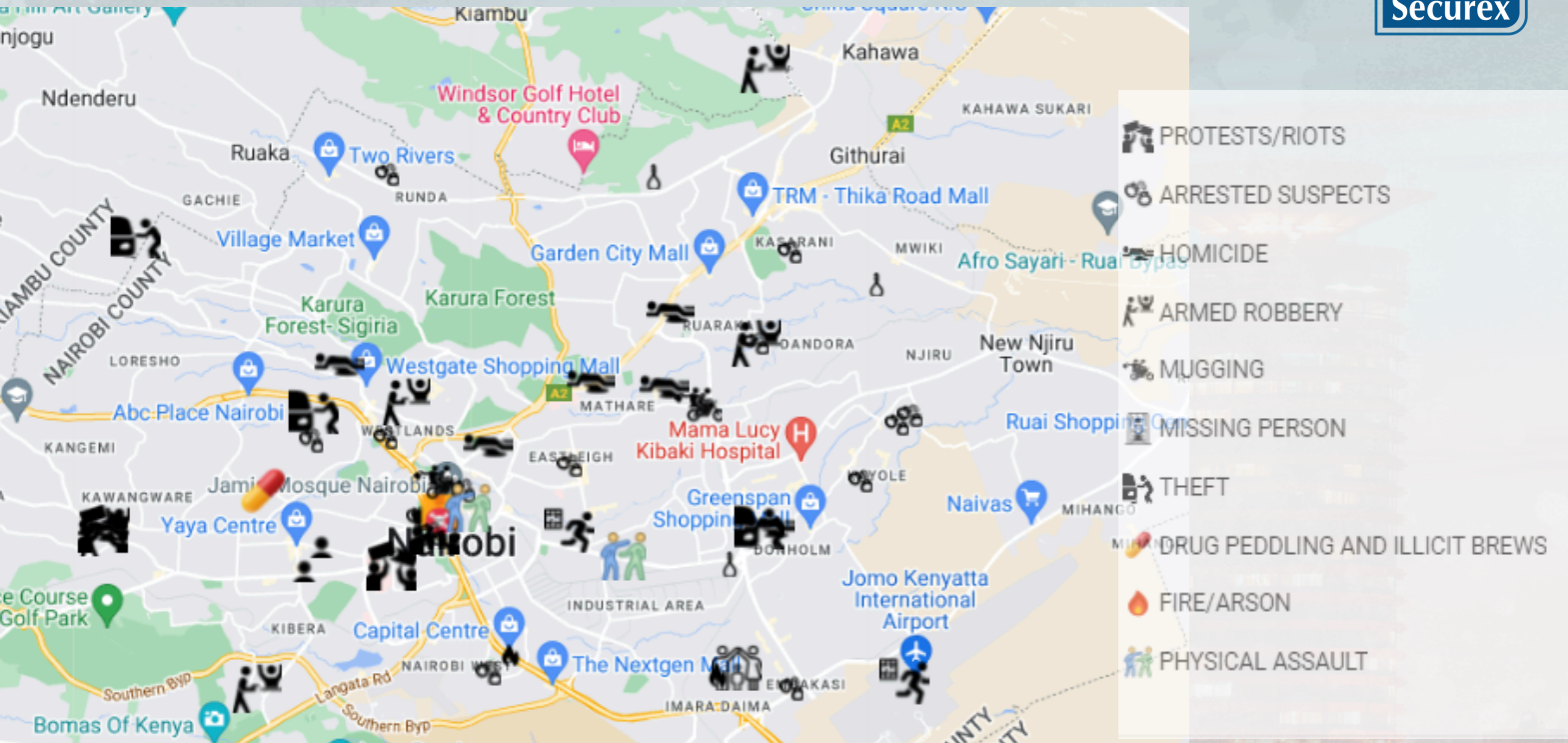
Crime Trends Nairobi

Crime statistics in Nairobi this week show a significant reduction, potentially due to the reduction in the arrests. Additionally, there were no abductions or kidnapping recorded compared to what was witnessed in the last week of June. This week, a total of 52 incidents were reported compared to last week's 67, with protests/riots, arrests, homicides and armed robberies being the most prevalent.



TRENDS

Hotspot Areas - Nairobi



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Crime Trends Countrywide

PROTESTS/RIOTS

The number of protests around the country increased slightly this week, with 59 protests/riots incidents reported compared to 49 last week. Hundreds continued protest to demand justice for those shot by the police.

There were 33 homicides recorded this week (18 more offences from last week). Compared with most other crimes, the homicide rate remains high, with around half of all homicide cases reported resulted from a quarrel, a revenge attack or a loss of temper. As in the previous weeks, the most common method of killing, for victims, was by a sharp instrument (including knives and crude weapons).

HOMICIDE

ARRESTED SUSPECTS

Approximately 30 arrests were made, a slight decrease from last week's 79. The police made the arrests as anti-government protests continued nationwide. Violent offenses including armed robberies, muggings and homicides also contributed to the number of arrests, while other offenses such as traffic violations accounted for fewer of the arrests reported.



PRESIDENT RUTO SAYS FOREIGNERS BEHIND ANTI-GOVERNMENT PROTESTS



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MOB STORM POLICE STATION, KILL MURDER SUSPECT AS OFFICERS FLEE



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KENHA ANNOUNCES 5-DAY TRAFFIC DISRUPTION AT JUJA HIGH POINT ALONG THIKA ROAD

9TH JULY, 2024

The Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) wishes to notify the public that a section of **Thika Superhighway (A2)** at **Juja High Point** will experience traffic disruption on the **inner lane of Thika bound traffic** from **Wednesday July 10, 2024 to Monday July 15, 2024**.

This is to allow for construction of the **mid-span footbridge foundation**.

KeNHA advises motorists to follow the proposed traffic management plan below and cooperate with the police and traffic marshals on site.

In a notice dated Tuesday, July 9, KeNHA revealed that the disruption will affect vehicles headed to Thika from Nairobi. It was detailed that the.....

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GOV'T VOWS TO ADDRESS CASES OF ABDUCTION, ARBITRARY ARRESTS DURING PROTESTS



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NAVIGATING SECURITY IN THE ERA OF SOCIAL UPRISINGS

Lessons learnt from the Anti-tax Protests 2024

- **Proactive Monitoring:** Businesses need to continue leveraging on social media listening tools, news sources, and law enforcement advisories to stay ahead of potential protests and disruptions.
- **Communication Plan Development:** Establish a clear communication plan for employees. Include procedures for notifying staff of potential protests, closure protocols, and work-from-home options if necessary.
- **Security Review and Enhancement:** Evaluate your existing security measures. Consider increased security personnel, securing windows and valuables, and ensuring security cameras are operational.
- **Business Continuity Planning:** Develop a business continuity plan outlining steps to minimize disruptions, protect assets, and ensure a swift resumption of operations.
- **Cybersecurity Awareness Training:** Educate employees on cyber threats associated with social uprisings. This includes identifying phishing attempts and protecting sensitive information online.

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