

Thefts and B&Es in Mount Uniacke and Elmsdale Business Parks over 2 years (2021-11-06 to 2023-11-07)

- Time/season and repeat locations: Twenty-eight out of 44 incidents (62%) occurred between 18:30 and 06:00. In Mount Uniacke in 2022, 8 out of 11 (73%) incidents occurred in April to May, four occurred at the same auto body shop within a 10 day-period. Incidents stopped after the owner installed security cameras. Over both years, two other businesses were victimized three times, and three businesses were victimized twice. In Elmsdale, six businesses were victimized twice.
- **Predominantly lone male perpetrators**: Seven out of 44 (16%) incidents involved more than one suspect (one of which had three or more suspects). Three incidents involved female suspects.
- Modus Operandi: In Mount Uniacke, locks were broken or cut using reciprocating saws (at least 3 incidents), crowbars, or wrenches. A chain-link fence was cut once. In Elmsdale, windows were broken to gain entry into vehicles (three incidents) and locks were pried.
- **Property targeted**: Vehicle parts were stolen in nine Mount Uniacke incidents, four of which were the catalytic converters stolen from the same autobody shop mentioned above. In Elmsdale, four vehicles were stolen, and there were four tool/equipment thefts.

# of Occurrences by Type						
Occurrence Type	Elmsdale	Mount Uniacke	Total	%		
Other theft under \$5000 334(b) CC	7	7	14	31.8%		
Break and Enter - Business 348(1) CC (FIP)	6	6	12	27.3%		
Other Theft over \$5000 334(a) CC	2	2	4	9.1%		
Theft under or equal to \$5000 From a motor vehicle 334(b) CC	1	3	4	9.1%		
Break and Enter - Other 348(1) CC (FIP)	3	1	4	9.1%		
Theft, forgery, misuse of credit card 342(1) CC	2	0	2	4.5%		
Theft of Truck 333.1(1) CC	1	1	2	4.5%		
Theft of Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV) 333.1(1) CC	1	0	1	2.3%		
Theft of Other Motor Vehicle 333.1(1) CC	1	0	1	2.3%		
Grand Total	24	20	44			

# of Occurrences by Clearance Status						
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Clearance Status	Elmsdale	Uniacke	Total	%		
Insufficient evidence to proceed	16	16	32	72.7%		
Clr other: CSC involved in other						
incidents	5	0	5	11.4%		
Open/still under investigation	1	3	4	9.1%		
Victim/complainant declines to						
proceed (no CSC identified)	1	0	1	2.3%		
Cleared by charge/charge						
recommended	0	1	1	2.3%		
Clr other: Departmental discretion	1	0	1	2.3%		
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Methodology: Conducted PROS search for all Theft and B&E UCR codes (212*, 213*, 214*) in East Hants district for the period 2021-11-06 to 2023-11-07. Used mapping software (EGIS and ArcGIS Pro) to identify incidents within the two business parks based on county website maps. Normalized and collated data in Excel and used pivot tables to extract statistics. One occurrence excluded as Unfounded, another as civil matter.

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