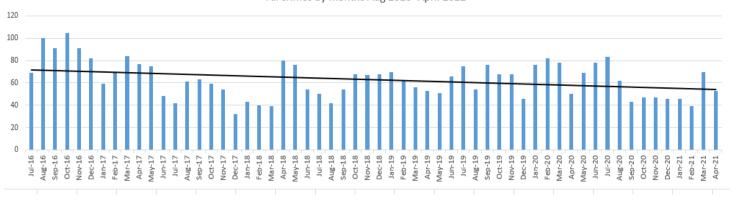
This report reflects incidents as reported by our team, reported by members of the public to our 24-hour control room or reported via the Obs WhatsApp groups.

### PLEASE CALL OUR CONTROL ROOM ON 021 447 1066 OR WHATSAPP US ON 074 636 3353 TO REPORT INCIDENTS

All crimes by months Aug 2016 -April 2021



The above graph reflects the total reported incidents per month since August 2016.

We are pleased to record a decrease in incidents this month from 70 incidents reported during March 2021 to **53** incidents reported during April 2021.

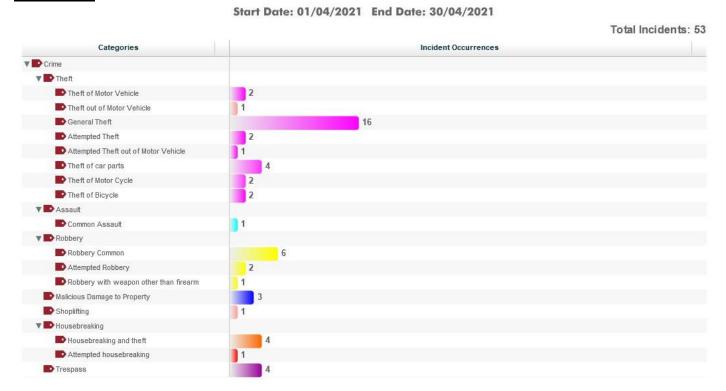
- Vehicle related incidents decreased (8 recorded, down from 23 last month);
- General theft increased (16 recorded, up from 11 last month);
- Robberies / muggings decreased (9 recorded, down from 12 last month) we continue to see an increase
  in the nightlife, in foot traffic in the streets and the number of people ignoring curfew hours. 6 robberies
  were recorded as occurring after 22h00 and 2 of these occurred during curfew hours.

OBSID public safety personnel supported SAPS in 9 arrests during the month of April 2021.

- 07 April 2021 Merrick Street, theft
- 07 April 2021 Trill Road, theft (alleged conman stating he works for the City of Cape Town)
- 08 April 2021 Campbell Street, trespassing
- 10 April 2021 Station Road, traced a suspect who was sought by SAPS on an arrest warrant
- 11 April 2021 Milton Road, possession of stolen property
- 11 April 2021 Strubens Road, possession of illegal substances
- 13 April 2021 Drake Street, possession of stolen property
- 20 April 2021 Duke Street, trespassing
- 24 April 2021 Bowden Road, robbery common/mugging

In a further **5** incidents, individuals caught for theft, possession of stolen property, possession of housebreaking implements and trespassing were released without charge by SAPS.

#### **SUMMARY:**



Thefts recorded the highest number of incidents (30) broken down as follows – theft of motor vehicle (2), theft out of motor vehicle (1), attempted theft out of motor vehicle (1), theft of car parts (4), general theft (16), attempted theft (2), theft of motor cycle (2) and theft of bicycle (2).

Robberies recorded (9) incidents, compared to 12 reported in March 2021.

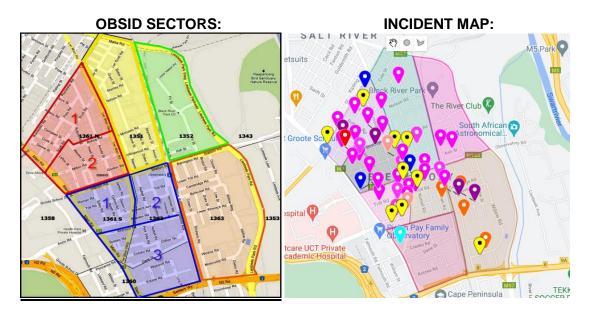
Other reported crimes were housebreaking and theft (4), attempted housebreaking (1), assault (1), malicious damage to property (3), trespass (4) and assault (1) and shoplifting (1).

Pro-active engagement (e.g. reports of suspicious activity / persons / vehicles) from the community is down compared to the previous month (9 reports as compared to 8 received by the Control Room during March 2021).

The OBSID public safety team are having to inform owners or residents of unlocked vehicles, open doors, and open garages or premises gates. OBSID's public safety team recorded 130 proactive incidents this month, the same as last month.

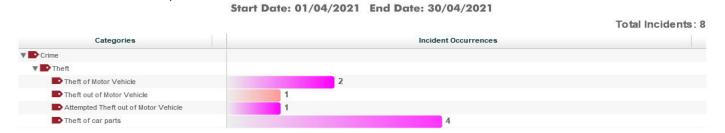
•	(28) OBS Orange	<ul> <li>– 28 the previous month</li> </ul>
•	(07) OBS Blue 3	<ul> <li>07 the previous month</li> </ul>
•	(38) OBS Red 1	<ul> <li>39 the previous month</li> </ul>
•	(14) OBS Blue 1	<ul> <li>12 the previous month</li> </ul>
•	(07) OBS Blue 2	<ul> <li>16 the previous month</li> </ul>
•	(07) OBS Red 2	<ul> <li>– 09 the previous month</li> </ul>
•	(19) OBS Yellow	<ul> <li>16 the previous month and</li> </ul>
•	(06) OBS Green	- 03 the previous month.

#### **TOTAL INCIDENTS BY CATEGORY AND MAP:**

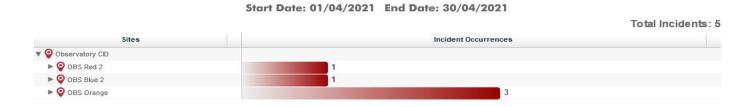


#### **INCIDENTS OF CONCERN:**

Vehicle related theft:



Housebreaking;

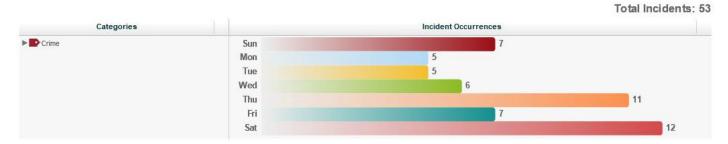


Robbery;

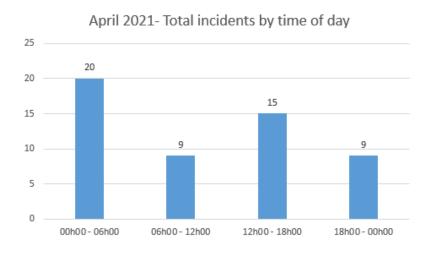


#### **INCIDENTS BY DAY:**





#### **INCIDENTS BY TIMES OF DAY (AS REPORTED):**



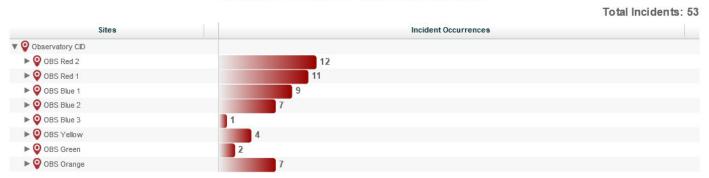
#### **SUMMARY OF ACTIVE PERIODS FOR THE MONTH:**

Highest incident periods: our problematic days were Thursday and Saturday.

The high number of late reports makes it difficult to accurately determine when incidents occurred – however it appears as if the majority of incidents are taking place between 00h00-06h00.

#### **INCIDENTS BY SECTOR:**

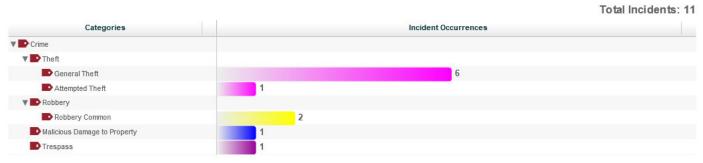
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#### **Sector analyses:**

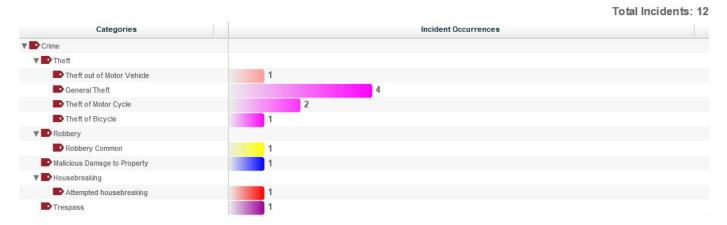
• OBS Red 1, recorded 11 incidents (13) reported the previous month:





• OBS Red 2, recorded 12 incidents (9) reported the previous month:

Start Date: 01/04/2021 End Date: 30/04/2021



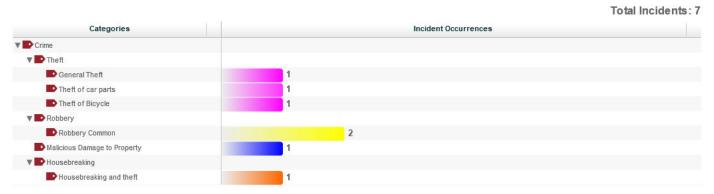
• Blue 1, recorded 9 incidents (14) reported the previous month:

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• Blue 2, recorded 7 incidents (10) reported the previous month:

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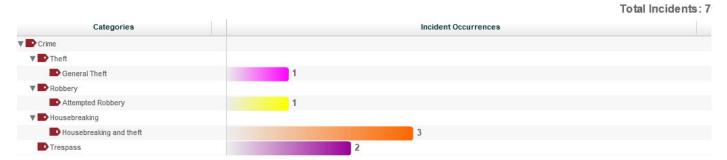
• Blue 3, recorded 1 incident (5) reported the previous month:

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Orange recorded 7 incidents (13) reported the previous month:

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Yellow recorded 4 incidents (2) reported the previous month:

Green recorded 2 incidents (0) reported the previous month:



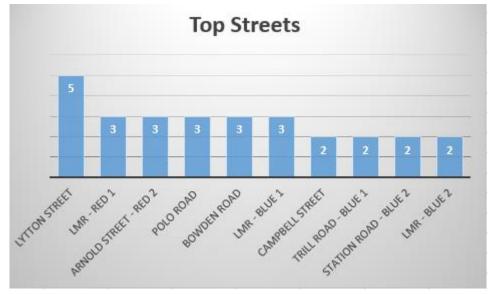
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#### **INCIDENTS BY STREET:**

The incidents were scattered throughout the area. Streets that recorded more than one incident were not on the same day and occurred on separate days throughout the month. The visibility by the public safety officers is making it more difficult for perpetrators to commit offences hence the increase in opportunistic crimes and decrease in property related crimes.

#### Top streets by number of incidents:

Attempted Theft out of Motor Vehicle



#### **OBSID RESPONSE TEAM DEPLOYMENT STRATEGY DURING THE MONTH:**

OBSID is continuing with focussed actions intended to minimise the opportunities for crime incidents to occur, including but not limited to:

- Continuous improvement discussions held during team meetings to address issues and concerns, plus additional after hours management support by the service provider provided to the deployed personnel;
- Ongoing reinforcement of standards related to patrol patterns, information gathering, monitoring and sharing of information on suspected perpetrators;
- Daily shift briefings held to discuss crime patterns, suspicious behaviours and to identify hotspot areas.

A considerable amount of time is spent by our deployed personnel informing owners or residents of unlocked vehicles, open doors, and open garages or premises gates. This seems to indicate a lack of situational awareness by the community, even though crime and the perceived increase in incidents are often the topic of discussion on various social media platforms. We urge the community to increase their vigilance and to report any unusual or suspicious actions / movements of vehicles or people to help us keep Observatory safer.