



**2024 FIRST
QUARTER
CRIME
STATISTICS
REPORT**



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Introduction

1. ZIMSTAT publishes statistics on levels and trends of crime in Zimbabwe based on police-recorded crime data, collected on a monthly basis.
2. Recorded crime figures exclude crimes that have not been reported to the police
3. The information contained here is based on data collected from the Zimbabwe Republic Police (ZRP) Crime Report and Disposal System.
4. The crimes are classified according to the United Nations International Classification of Crime for Statistical Purposes (ICCS) adopted in 2016.

National Crime Rate

	Number of Offences	Crime Rate/ 100,000 population
1st Qtr 2023	206,300	1,359.1
2nd Qtr 2023	178,031	1,172.9
3rd Qtr 2023	182,427	1,201.8
4th Qtr 2023	221,596	1,459.9
1st Qtr 2024	221,704	1,460.6

The police recorded 221,704 offences over the period from January to March 2024. The recorded offences rose by 108 cases from 221,596 offences recorded in the first quarter of 2023.

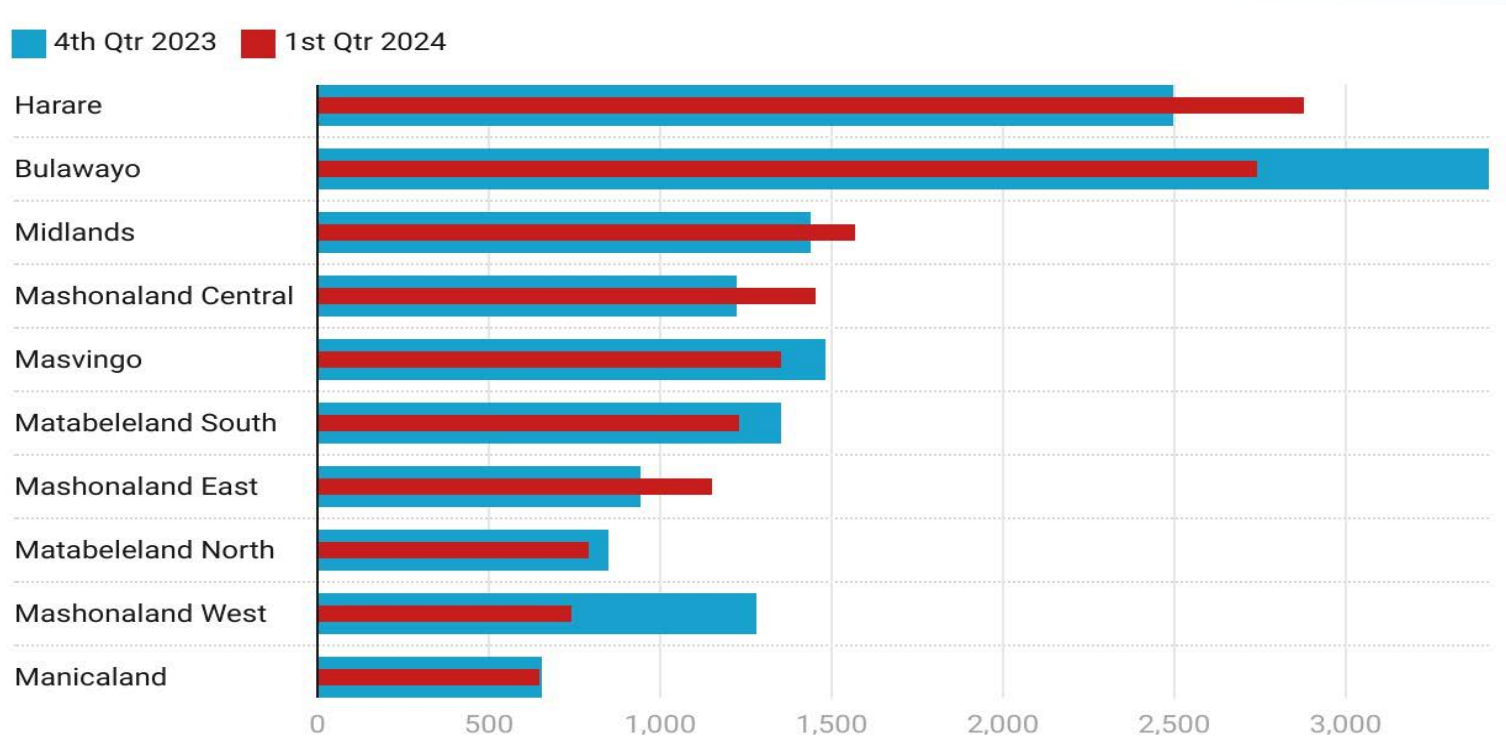
The national crime rate was 1,460.6 crimes per 100,000 people, a slight uptick from 1,459.9 per 100,000 observed in the fourth quarter of 2023.

Offences Recorded in 1st Quarter 2024 by Type

	Number of Offences	Crime Rate /100,000 population
Acts against public safety and state security	87,834	578.7
Acts against property only	53,975	355.6
Acts leading to harm or intending to cause harm to the person	41,143	271.1
Acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State	13,121	86.4
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified	7,261	47.8
Acts involving controlled psychoactive substances or other drugs	6,311	41.6
Acts involving fraud, deception or corruption	3,599	23.7
Injurious acts of a sexual nature	3,563	23.5
Acts against property involving violence or threat against a person	3,319	21.9
Acts leading to death or intending to cause death	921	6.1
Acts against the natural environment	657	4.3

There were 87,834 offences committed in the 'Public safety and state security' category, constituting a crime rate of 578.7 per 100,000 population.

Crime Rate by Province – 4th Quarter 2023 & 1st Quarter 2024 per 100,000 Population



The above graph shows an uptick in crime rates in four provinces in the period under review.

Detailed List of Committed Offences

Acts leading to death or intending to cause death

	Offences	Rate/ 100,000 population
Non-intentional homicide	327	2.2
Attempted intentional homicide	301	2
Intentional homicide	266	1.8
Illegal feticide	27	0.2

There were 266 cases of intentional homicide recorded in the first quarter of 2024, reflecting a rate of 1.8 offences per 100,000 population.

Acts causing harm or intending to cause harm to the person

	Offences	Rate/ 100,000 population
Assaults and threats	29,550	194.7
Dangerous acts	9,778	64.4
Negligence	1,276	8.4
Defamation or insult	266	1.8
Acts against liberty	125	0.8
Coercion	117	0.8
Acts intended to induce fear or emotional distress	12	0.1
Acts that trespass against the person	11	0.1
Discrimination	7	0
Trafficking in persons (TIP)	1	0

Assaults and threats category was the most frequent 'Act causing harm or intending to cause harm to the person'. The rate for assaults and threats stood at 194.7 per 100,000 population.

Acts against property

	Offences	Rate/ 100,000 population
Theft	38,042	250.6
Burglary	11,661	76.8
Property damage	3,808	25.1
Robbery	3,319	21.9
Other acts against property only	442	2.9
Intellectual property offences	22	0.1

There were 38,042 cases of theft recorded in the first quarter indicating a rate of 250.6 per 100,000 population .

Acts involving controlled drugs or other psychoactive substances

	Offences	Rate/ 100,000 population
Unlawful acts involving alcohol, tobacco or other controlled substances	4,109	27.1
Unlawful acts involving controlled drugs or precursors	2,177	14.3
Other acts involving controlled drugs or other psychoactive substances	25	0.2

There were 2,177 cases of unlawful acts involving controlled drugs or precursors indicating a rate 14,3 per 100,000 population.

Acts involving fraud, deception or corruption

	Offences	Rate/ 100,000 population
Fraud	3,455	22.8
Corruption	83	0.5
Forgery/counterfeiting	59	0.4
Acts involving the proceeds of crime	2	0

There were 3,455 cases of fraud and 83 cases of corruption recorded indicating crime rates of 22.8 and 0.5 per 100,000 population, respectively.

Acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State

	Offences	Rate/ 100,000 population
Other acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State	6,046	39.8
Acts against public order behavioural standards	3,500	23.1
Acts contrary to public revenue or regulatory provisions	2,005	13.2
Acts against the justice system	949	6.3
Acts related to migration	561	3.7
Acts against public order sexual standards	60	0.4
Acts contrary to labour law	0	0

The number of offences recorded under 'Other acts against public order, authority and provisions of the State' was 6,046, translating to a crime rate of 39.8 per 100,000 population.

Acts against public safety and state security

	Offences	Rate/ 100,000 population
Non-injurious traffic violations	87,557	576.8
Acts involving weapons, explosives and other destructive materials	201	1.3
Acts against computer systems	61	0.4
Acts against state security	15	0.1
Terrorism	0	0

87,557 cases of non-injurious traffic violations were recorded resulting in a crime rate of 576.8 per 100,000 population.

Other Criminal Acts

	Offences	Rate/ 100,000 population
Other criminal acts not elsewhere classified	7,240	47.7
Sexual violence	3,562	23.5
Acts that result in the depletion or degradation of natural resources	434	2.9
Trade or possession of protected or prohibited species of fauna and flora	223	1.5
Acts contrary to youth regulations and acts on minors	21	0.1
Sexual exploitation	1	0

There were 3,562 cases of sexual violence recorded in the first quarter of 2024, representing a crime rate of 23.5 per 100,000 population.

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