



Report

ANALYSIS OF PRIVATE SECURITY

MASS THEFT

Mass theft' in Colombia refers to a type of crime in which a group of people attack in a coordinated manner and on a large scale several people, or entities, often in places with a high influx of people such as stores, supermarkets or during public events.

This phenomenon is characterised by the organisation and speed with which it is carried out, taking advantage of disorder or confusion to carry out the robbery.



Mass thefts can include theft of goods, looting and other criminal acts in which high-value goods are stolen.



This type of crime can have a significant impact on the local economy, as well as on the community's perception of security.

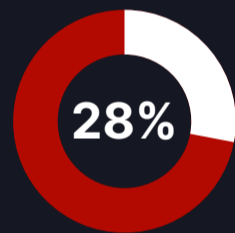
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At the beginning of 2024, an increase in this criminal modality was observed in some sectors, especially the commercial one of Bogotá.



In response, the National Police deployed the strategy called "22 Gourmet Patrols" to deter crime in these areas.











The authorities reported that this crime has decreased by 28%, which represents 1,838 fewer cases.

RECOMMENDATIONS



CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING SECURITY RECOMMENDATIONS TO AVOID BECOMING A VICTIM OF A 'MASS THEFT'.

-  Be discreet with your jewellery and mobile devices.
-  In crowded places such as shopping centres, restaurants, cafeterias, etc., keep your belongings out of sight.
-  Make cash withdrawals, preferably using ATMs located in shopping centres or inside the bank's own branches. If the amount of money is considerable, request the accompaniment of the corresponding authority.
-  Do not carry large amounts of money, jewellery or valuables that may be of interest to criminals.
-  In public places, avoid showing your credit cards.
-  If you plan to make large cash transactions, avoid telling others about your activities.
-  Be alert to strange behaviour or a group of people acting suspiciously, keep your distance.
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