

- **98% of those surveyed think crime is significant in their community**
  - 43% very significant
  - 32% quite significant
  - 23% somewhat significant
  
- **76% think crime has increased in the last 12 months**
  
- **45% of people have had a crime committed against them in the last 12 months and the top 6 rural crimes reported were**
  - Theft of agricultural machinery or equipment – 48%
  - Fly-tipping – 42%
  - Burglary – 37%
  - Theft from an outbuilding – 35%
  - Wildlife crime/hare poaching - 30%
  - Animal rights activism – 27%
  
- **23% of those crimes were not reported to the police due to**
  - 57% police couldn't have done anything
  - 57% waste of time/would be no point
  - 21% too trivial/not worth reporting
  
- **63% of those who reported crimes were dissatisfied with the police response**
  
- **The crimes which police should be tackling in rural communities in order of priority are:**
  1. Agricultural machinery theft
  2. Fly-tipping
  3. Livestock rustling
  4. Fuel theft
  
- **57% of people had installed crime prevention measures in the last 12 months due to an increased fear of crime (60%) and being a victim of crime (31%)**
  - 77% security lighting
  - 72% vehicles always locked, and keys secured when not in use
  - 60% keep gates secured/installed or maintained fences and hedges
  
- **42% of people don't think the police take rural crime seriously**
  
- **62% of people don't think rural policing has improved since Police and Crime Commissioners were introduced in 2012**
  
- **44% of people rate the police as 'good' or 'excellent' in their area**