

- **96% of those surveyed think crime is significant in their community**
 - 32% very significant
 - 44% quite significant
 - 20% somewhat significant

- **71% think crime has increased in the last 12 months**

- **31% of people have had a crime committed against them in the last 12 months and the top 6 rural crimes reported were**
 - Fly-tipping on your land – 42%
 - Theft from an outbuilding - 38%
 - Theft of agricultural machinery or equipment - 31%
 - Wildlife crime or hare poaching – 31%
 - Animal rights activism – 26%
 - Criminal damage, vandalism/arson or damage of property possessions - 22%

- **20% of those crimes were not reported to the police due to**
 - 54% thought police could not have done anything
 - 46% thought it would be a waste of time/would be no point
 - 38% too trivial/not worth reporting

- **51% 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. Livestock rustling
 3. Fly-tipping
 4. Poaching – deer and hare (illegal coursing)

- **38% of people had installed crime prevention measures in the last 12 months due to an increased fear of crime (62%) and being a victim of crime (41%)**
 - 86% security lighting
 - 70% vehicles always locked and keys secured when not in use
 - 60% CCTV, video or infra-red surveillance

- **39% of people don't think the police take rural crime seriously**

- **55% of people don't think rural policing has improved since Police and Crime Commissioners were introduced in 2012**

- **54% of people rate the police as 'good' or 'excellent' in their area**