

TEMPLATE POLICY PAGE

Category:	Robbery
Country:	Cyprus
Year:	/

Main policy page:	<p>The Police informs the public on the measures they take to protect people from being victimised, both as individuals but also as organized or non-organized groups. Information is distributed through the Cyprus Police website, the mass media, brochures, personal visits by community policing officers and public lectures.</p> <p>High risk buildings, such as bank establishments and Goldsmith's shops are inspected on a regular basis, in collaboration with the Police, in order to ensure their safety from robberies.</p> <p>Other high risk establishments, such as 24hr convenience stores and 24h bakeries are given support by increased car and foot patrols.</p> <p>Additionally, police officers are trained and encouraged to engage in intelligence gathering while specially assigned personnel are responsible for evaluating intelligence and submitting it to the right police station/department, where it will be utilised. In the same context, the public informs the police, when they notice something suspicious that needs to be looked into.</p> <p>Members of the police are continuously trained and informed on new developments in their line of work. They also receive refresher courses on various issues, ensuring that they are up to date and that they give their best possible performance.</p>												
Relevant legislation:	<p>Penal Code (Chapter 154)</p> <p>"A person who commits the crime of robbery is liable to 14 years of imprisonment. If the person is armed with a dangerous or offensive weapon or instrument, or is in company with one or more person or persons, or if, at or immediately before or immediately after the time of the robbery, he wounds, beats, strikes, or uses any other personal violence to any person, he is liable to imprisonment for life." (art.282-283).</p>												
Trends:	<p>Statistics</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; text-align: center;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Year</th> <th>No. of cases Robberies & Extortions</th> <th>No. of cases Robberies (only)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2005</td> <td>84</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2006</td> <td>80</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>2007</td> <td>74</td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Year	No. of cases Robberies & Extortions	No. of cases Robberies (only)	2005	84		2006	80		2007	74	
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	2008	71	
	2009	142	
	2010	156	
	2011	137	130
	2012	173	158
	2013	149	142
	2014	104	90
<p>See www.police.gov.cy for statistics on crime.</p>			

Contacts:	<p>National organisations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bankers' Organisation • Goldsmiths Organisation • Shop-owners Organisation
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