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2026/507 - Asian gold theft

In response to your recent request for information regarding;

In your police force area, how many incidents of "Asian gold theft" have taken place in each of the calendar years, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025.

To clarify: "Asian gold theft" is the theft of gold from Asian families. Criminals are targeting Asian families knowing that many have gold, for cultural reasons. If you are unable to narrow the results down specifically to Asian families, I would also accept the number of thefts of gold from domestic properties.

We have an Operation name for Asian Gold theft, we have provided all the occurrences logged under this Operation name;

Reported Date	HO Description	Summary
Feb-20	Other criminal damage, other (Under £5000.00 damage)	UNKNOWN OFFENDER/S HAVE BROKEN THE LOCK ON SIDE GATE AND THE LOC AND HAVE THEN BEEN DISTURBED BY PEOPLE RETURNING. NO ENTRY WAS GAINED.
Feb-20	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	IP has returned to his home address to find a window has been broken and a sofa in the lounge has been moved, At this time it appears nothing has been taken
Mar-20	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	Unknown offenders have entered the IP's home by smashing a double glazed door. offenders have gone into the property, The IP was in the living room when he was threatened him demanding money.

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Apr-20	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	IP REPORTING UNKNOWN OFFENDERS HAVE BROKEN INTO HER ADDRESS, VIA SMASHING THE WINDOW IN THE BACKDOOR AND REACHED IN TO UNLOCK THE KEYS. OFFENDERS HAVE BEEN CONDUCTED AN EXTENSIVE SEARCH OF ALL ROOMS. MONEY, BANK CARDS AND DIFFERENT ITEMS HAVE BEEN TAKEN FROM WITHIN.
Jun-20	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	Female reporting that a numerous unknown suspects have entered the building by smashing the rear window. They have stolen a large amount of cash and some suitcases full of clothes.
Sep-20	Robbery of personal property	Three unfamiliar males have broken into the IP's house. The males took the IP's jewellery before leaving. The IP sustained facial injuries.
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Sep-21	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	Offender unknown smashed a kitchen window to open the rear door. Offender has entered the building and conducted an untidy search of every room and removed jewellery and cash from within.
Nov-21	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	Person reporting has attended his mother's address and seen that the front door has been jammied and is half open - however it is double locked so no entry has been gained.
Jan-22	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	UNKNOWN OFFENDER/S HAVE GAINED ENTRY TO THE PROPERTY VIA A WINDOW AND STOLEN NUMEROUS ITEMS FROM WITHIN WHILST THE OCCUPANTS WERE OUT FOR THE DAY. CASH AND JEWELLERY ARE AMONGST THE ITEMS STOLEN.
Jan-22	Attempted Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	UNKNOWN OFFENDERS HAVE ATTEMPTED TO GAIN ENTRY INTO THE HOME OF THE IP - 4 MALES CAPTURED ON CCTV.. MARKS ON PATIO DOORS.
May-22	Aggravated Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	3 unknown males have attempted to force entry Victim had opened the door slightly and refused to allow the males to enter and has attempted to close the door causing injury to herself and one male had been pushed to enter the property.

Aug-22	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	IP REPORTED THAT HE HAS RETURNED FROM HOLIDAY AND UNKNOWN OFFENDER(S) HAVE FORCED ENTRY INTO HIS PROPERTY. THE PATIO DOOR AND LIVING ROOM WINDOW HAD BEEN FORCED OPEN.
Aug-22	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	IP HAS RETURNED HOME AFTER A PERIOD AWAY TO DISCOVER THEIR HOUSE HAS BEEN BROKEN INTO AND RANSACKED, ITEMS STOLEN FROM WITHIN.
Aug-22	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	UNKNOWN OFFENDER HAS SMASHED THE BACK WINDOW AND STOLEN IPS WALLET AND CAR KEYS.
Sep-22	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	their flat has been broken into through a window. The glass has been damaged to gain access to the property, wallet containing £1800 has been taken,
Sep-22	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	OFFENDERS HAVE GAINED ENTRY INTO LOCATION AND STOLEN A RING.
Sep-22	Attempted Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	The victim reports that he witnessed via a security app two men placing a ladder against his house and attempting to gain entry .
Sep-22	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	IP has returned home to find their address with all the lights on. Unknown offenders have gained entry to the address and ransacked it.
Nov-22	Burglary Business and Community	Offenders have attempted to gain entry to the location.
Dec-22	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	Unknown suspect(s) have attended the location and forced entry via a rear door. Premises entered and searched.
Feb-23	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	Caller reporting going to work and returning to find her back door kicked in and untidy search made, unknown if anything stolen.
Feb-23	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	Unknown offender(s) have entered the property and caused various damage and taken items
Feb-23	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	property has been burgled. a window has been smashed and items taken from within the property. Items include bank notes and a jewellery box containing a currently unknown quantity / value of jewellery.
Mar-23	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	Victim has returned to his dwelling to find the lower panel of his back door has been removed and entry gained by unknown suspect(s). his safe has been stolen from within a cupboard in his bedroom.

Mar-23	Burglary Residential (Dwelling)	Unknown suspect/s have caused damage to the IP's property by braking/smashing a window, they have then gained entry and the house is trashed inside,
Apr-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	Burglary Dwelling - entry effected via second floor window. Offender is disturbed in bedroom by occupants and leaves the property. Egress as entry.
Apr-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	Offenders gained entry to unoccupied dwelling by forcing lower panel of back door. Untidy search of all rooms conducted. Egress via POE. Small safe containing £900 stolen
Apr-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	Victim reporting a burglary at her home address. Entry by smashing glass panel in rear door, untidy search and lap top and jewellery stolen. Egress as entry.
May-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	IP reporting he has returned home from a weekend away and has noticed unknown offender/s have gained entry into his address and carried out an untidy search within the address and have stolen a number of items.
May-23	Attempted Residential Burglary of a Home	Two suspects in balaclavas have attempted to enter the property through the side gate. When confronted they have made off in a vehicle. It would appear both suspects sighted have worked together on this coordinated attempt burg.
Jun-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	Report that property has been stolen from the victim's house. It would appear suspects have entered through the patio door.
Jul-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	UNKNOWN OFFENDERS GAINED ENTRY INTO DWELLING BY FORCING PATIO DOOR. OFFENDERS WEARING COVID TYPE MASKS SEEN RUNNING AWAY FROM THE LOCATION.
Aug-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	Back door taken off the hinges to effect entry. An untidy search of the property has been made ,cash and jewellery stolen.
Sep-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	Suspect has smashed bedroom window in order to enter the dwelling, untidy search made gold and jewellery stolen.
Sep-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	SUSPECT(S) UNKNOWN HAVE GAINED ENTRY INTO LOCATION VIA AN INSECURE WINDOW AND HAVE DAMAGED A GATE . A WEDDING RING AND CASH WAS STOLEN .

Oct-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	IP is reporting that the suspect(s) in question have entered his property and have taken items. There is smashed glass in his conservatory.
Oct-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	CALLER HAS REPORTED THAT, THEIR REAR WINDOW HAS BEEN SMASHED AND THE HOME HAS BEEN RANSACKED. IT'S UNCLEAR AT THIS TIME IF ANYTHING HAS BEEN TAKEN.
Oct-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	Inf reporting that his house has been burgled, entry gained through the rear door which had been broken. The house has been searched thoroughly, inf unsure of what items have been taken.
Oct-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	Unknown offender(s) have forced entry and gained access to the rear of the address using . Messy search has been carried out within. Unknown if any items have been taken from within.
Oct-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	IP reporting that unknown offenders have gained entry into her address, she has noticed the £600 has been stolen.
Oct-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	Unknown offender(s) have gained entry to the IP's home by damaging a rear window and stealing items within.
Oct-23	Attempted Residential Burglary of a Home	Victim reports being disturbed by a sound from her conservatory. On initially checking the source of the noise she found nothing untoward however the following morning discovered muddy hand prints on the inside of the window sill and a footprint in her garden.
Oct-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	Unknown suspects have entered dwelling through a window and stolen a set of house keys and items worth approximately £24,000
Nov-23	Attempted Residential Burglary of a Home	INF has reported an attempted burglary at the property where 2 unknown suspects have caused damage to patio door after climbing over the back fence.
Nov-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	IP has reported 2 unknown suspects have entered the property caused damage and have left.

Nov-23	Residential Burglary of a Home	Unknown offender(s) have entered the property via rear doors (no forced entry), an untidy search has been carried out within and a number of gold jewellery items have been stolen with an approximate value of £3000.
Mar-24	Residential Burglary of a Home	IP and family have returned to the location and disturbed an intruder who has gained access into the location. No items appear to have been taken.
Aug-24	Residential Burglary of a Home	IP JUST RETURNED TO FIND HOUSE BURGLARISED.

An additional search for other burglary offences where there is stolen property which references gold or gold is mentioned in the summary. No relevant occurrences resulted from this search.

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