

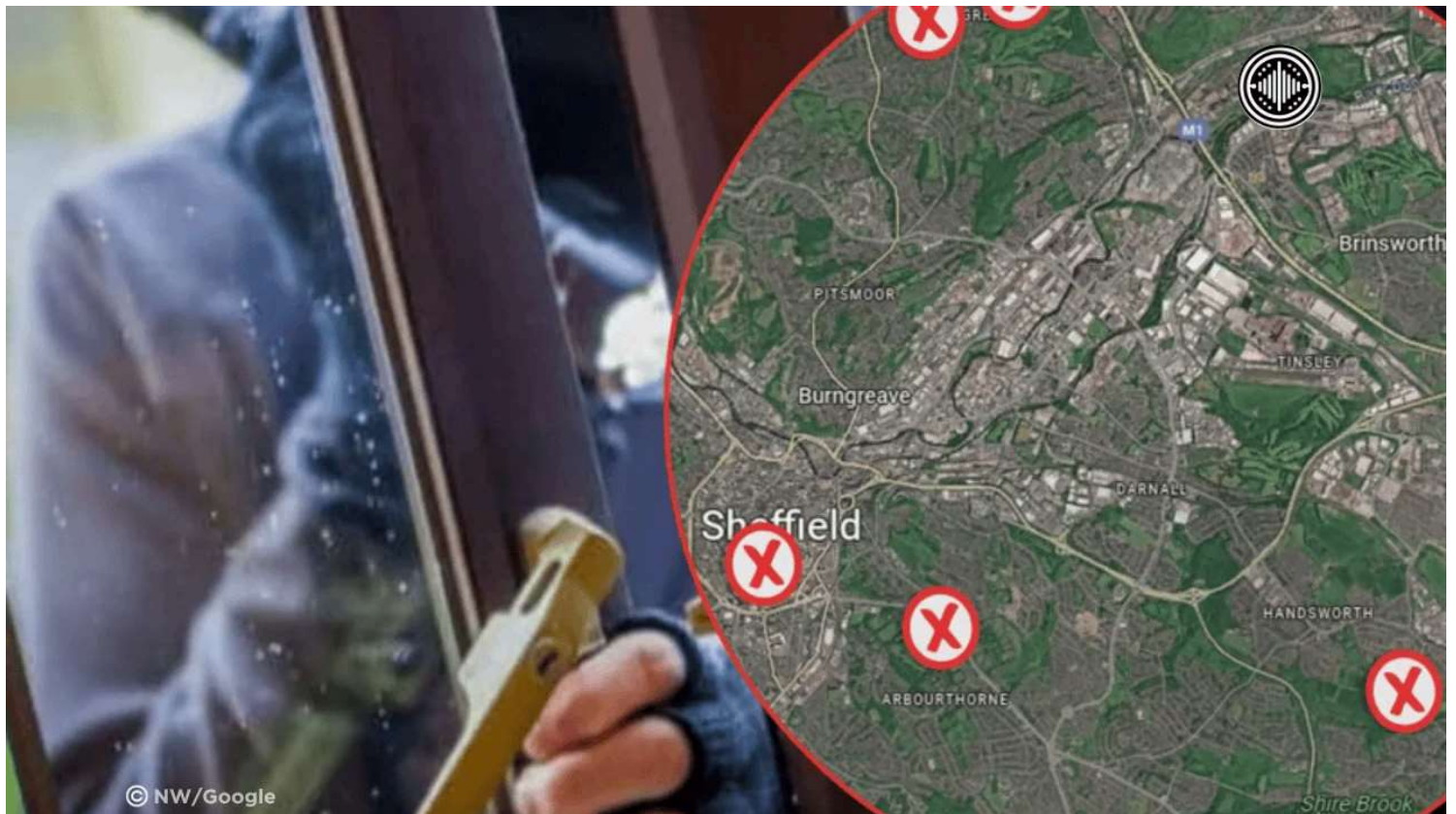
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14 Sheffield Streets Top Violent and Sexual Crime List, Police Data Shows

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According to the latest figures from South Yorkshire Police, fourteen streets in Sheffield have been identified as hotspots for violent and sexual offences. The data, which covers reports made in May 2025, shows which parts of the city have seen the highest number of such crimes, reflecting ongoing concerns about public safety and policing.

The figures come from *police.uk* and are published with a two-month delay, making this the most recent dataset available. The statistics are based on reports of offences recorded ‘on

or near' specific streets and locations. They span Sheffield's policing districts: North East, Central and North West, South East, and South West.

Violent and sexual offences are grouped into the same category in police records. According to South Yorkshire Police, sexual offences include rape, sexual assault, and sexual harassment. Meanwhile, the Crown Prosecution Service (CPS) defines violent crime as including a wide range of offences from common assault to murder. It can involve weapons such as knives, guns, or corrosive substances like acid.

This data reveals a troubling concentration of serious crime in some regions of Sheffield, with residents and local businesses expressing growing unease about safety on their streets. While the exact street names and addresses are not always made public, the pattern points to recurring issues that challenge local communities and law enforcement.

One community leader in Sheffield South East, who asked not to be named, said, "We've had enough of the excuses. These numbers don't lie; they show how badly we need more officers on the ground and quicker responses." His concerns echo a wider sentiment across many of the affected districts.

With police resources already stretched thin across many urban areas in the UK, there is increasing pressure on authorities to respond swiftly to incidents and take preventative action. The impact of visible policing, neighbourhood engagement, and community-based interventions is being brought into sharp focus once again.

South Yorkshire Police have said they are actively working to combat violent and sexual crime through a combination of targeted operations and community outreach. They are also encouraging victims to come forward and report offences, acknowledging that under-reporting, particularly in sexual offence cases, continues to be a significant barrier to justice.

Despite these efforts, many residents remain sceptical. Some concerns policing alone cannot address the deeper social problems that contribute to crime, such as unemployment, lack of youth services, and poor housing conditions. Meanwhile, some critics point to a need for tougher sentencing and stricter bail conditions for repeat offenders.

While politicians continue to debate the causes and solutions, communities in Sheffield are left dealing with the consequences. The publication of this crime data serves not only as a

warning but also as a call to action. With 14 streets now marked by a high volume of serious offences, there is a clear need for joined-up action from police, local councils, and government departments to reverse the trend and restore public confidence.