BIKE THEFT REPORT

Waltham Forest, London

Police data to **September 2026** · issued 6 November 2026

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332
bikes reported stolen in the 12 months to September 2026

-21%
change on the 12 months before (420 thefts)

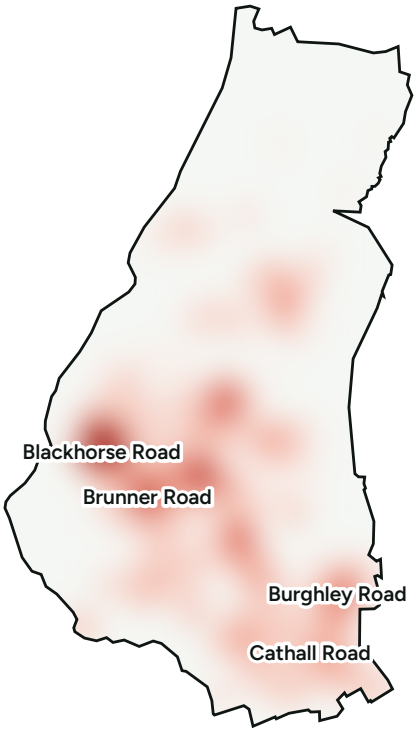
94%
of concluded cases closed with no suspect identified

920
places to lock a bike mapped; 135 secure (lockers, sheds, hangars)

See the live figures and every bike rack on the map: **rackfox.app/uk/london/waltham-forest** ›

WHERE

Where bikes are stolen in Waltham Forest



Fewer thefts — More thefts

332 police-recorded thefts in 12 months; named: the streets with the most

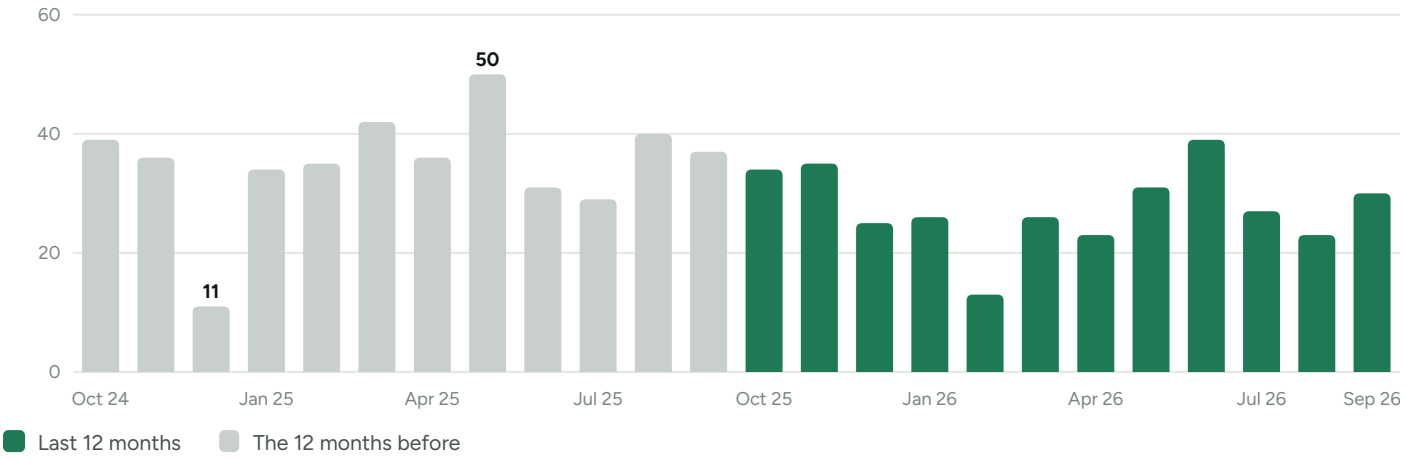
RANK IN LONDON
17 of 33
districts by bike thefts; city total 14,553

BUSIEST MONTH
May
adding up every year since 2023

MOST THEFTS NEAR
Blackhorse Road
16 recorded in 12 months

WHEN

Bike thefts per month



WHAT KIND OF PLACE

Where bikes are stolen

PLACE	THEFTS
Supermarkets	40
Car parks	17
Sports and leisure centres	15
Petrol stations	5
Shopping areas	4
Bus stations	1

Streets with the most recorded thefts: Blackhorse Road (16), Hoe Street (6), Freedom Close (5), Station Approach (5), Brunner Road (4).

SUPPLY

Bike parking

MAPPED IN OPENSTREETMAP	COUNT
Places to lock a bike	920
Spaces (at least)	6,180
Covered	205
Secure: lockers, sheds, hangars, staffed	135
In the city's highest-theft quarter	104

METHOD

About the data

Thefts. Police-recorded bicycle thefts from data.police.uk (Home Office and police forces), published monthly about two months behind. The police move each crime to the nearest of a fixed set of anonymous points on a street or public place, so places are approximate. Only thefts reported to the police are counted. Known gaps: Greater Manchester Police has not supplied data since July 2019; British Transport Police (railway stations) has not supplied data since early 2025.

Parking. Places and capacity mapped by volunteers in OpenStreetMap; some racks list no capacity, so space counts are a minimum. A place's risk compares police-recorded thefts within 150 m over 12 months with every other bike parking place in the city. Counts are not adjusted for how many bikes are parked or ridden in an area, so busy centres show more thefts. A lower risk is not a guarantee.

More. Method: rackfox.app/uk/guides/how-rackfox-rates-bike-theft-risk · live figures: rackfox.app/uk/london/waltham-forest · sources and licences: rackfox.app/data

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