

## BRAZILINT - SAMPLE

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NOTE: This sample of *Brazil Intelligence* – **BRAZILINT** – shows a crime assessment of Brasilia. This basic product normally covers four cities and can be customized and optional content, e.g., on blackmarket, criminal, or highway security components.

### Brasilia

#### Outlook

Cargo theft may rise in June. Car theft, murder, and drug trafficking are expected to drop in Gama, Ceilandia, Cidade Estrutural, and Planaltina in June. Use caution in Asa Sul and Asa Norte due to recent vehicle thefts, express kidnappings, and muggings. After a promising start in reducing murder and car theft, the Pact for Life program may falter due to the 47% deficit in Civil Police personnel. Budget constraints make a significant increase in personnel unlikely until December.

#### Quarter-on-Quarter Crime Trends in the DF as of May 2015

<b>Murder</b> 	<b>Kidnapping</b> 	<b>Cargo Theft</b> 	<b>Commercial Burglary</b> 	<b>Mugging</b> 	<b>Vehicle Theft</b> 	<b>Drug Trafficking</b> 
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#### Crime

While the official data for May has not been released yet, based on press reports and social media from early May-early June, there were murders in Asa Norte, vehicle thefts in Asa Sul and Park Way, express kidnappings in Asa Sul and Asa Norte, and muggings in Asa Norte and Asa Sul in Brasilia. In the rest of the DF, Gama, Ceilandia, Cidade Estrutural, and Planaltina remain high crime areas. The establishment of the Pact for Life pilot program in these municipalities on May 19 should lead to a decrease in drug trafficking, murder, car theft, and mugging.

Early initiatives of the Pact for Life program have resulted in a decrease in crimes such as murder and vehicle theft. However, as the program expands to include all DF municipalities—expected to happen in July—the lack of Civil Police personnel may compromise investigations and, as a result, the achievements of the program. During a temporary work stoppage in late May, Civil Police demanded better working conditions (in every police station there are three-four officers instead of eight) and the immediate hiring of 500 candidates who have already completed training. Even if these hires were to be approved, they would only partially replace the 670 personnel retiring in 2015. Negotiations continue over gradually hiring these personnel through December.

In May, police arrested six for stealing spare tires, fire extinguishers, and valuables from vehicles in Asa Sul and Guara and a dealer in Samambaia. They had committed an average of 12 thefts every week.

## **Cargo Theft**

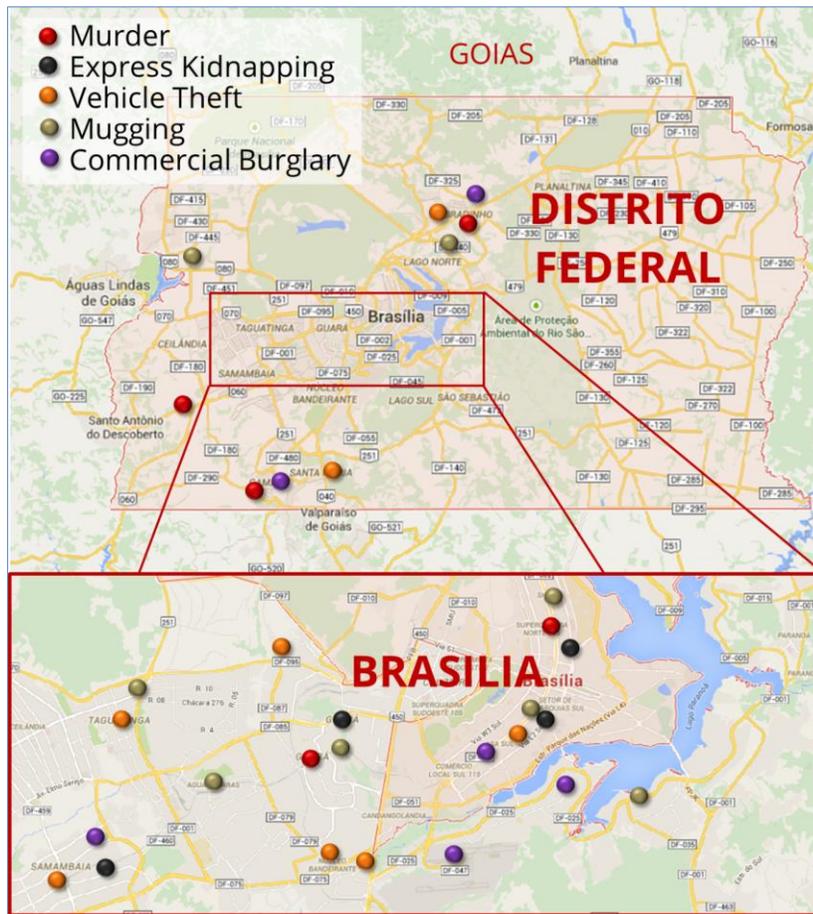
While cargo theft statistics have not been officially reported under a separate category since January 2015, it is likely that cargo theft gangs are already operating and/or seeking to grow in the DF.

On May 21, police found 12-15 tons of stolen goods, unloaded from two trucks, in a house in Samambaia. Worth BRL 30,000 (USD 9,600), the goods, including whiskey and canned food, were to be distributed to grocery shops in the area. The owner of a local supermarket offered BRL 100 (USD 32) to six individuals to unload the cargo. It is still unknown where the loaded trucks—en route from Anapolis (Goias) to Sao Gabriel (Bahia)—were robbed.

On May 19, on Highway DF-345 in Planaltina, police arrested three for integrating a car and cargo theft gang and seized two GPS jammers (known as “capetinha”), weapons, and ammunition. The suspects were in a Fiat Palio with a forged license plate and documents that had been stolen by three gunmen in Guara in March. They had criminal records for cargo theft, vehicle theft, murder, and illegal possession of weapons. In searches of their houses, police found fake documents from cars stolen in other states, car parts, truck license plates, radios, cell phones, and hoodies. Given the diversity of car plates and documents from other states, it is likely that this gang is connected with cargo theft gangs in other states or that it used to operate in other states and is now seeking to expand in the DF.

## **Highways**

There have been reports of robberies of bus passengers on Highway DF-290 between Santa Maria and Novo Gama.



RECENT CRIME IN THE FEDERAL DISTRICT

Locations of Press Reported Crime: May 5-June 3

Crime	Location
Murder	Guara
	Asa Norte
	Recanto das Emas
	Gama
	Itapoa
Vehicle Theft	Sobradinho
	Asa Sul
	Samambaia
	Santa Maria
	Itapoa
	Taguatinga
	Cidade Estrutural
	Nucleo Bandeirante
Park Way	
Express Kidnapping	Guara
	Asa Sul
	Asa Norte
Mugging	Samambaia
	Aguas Claras
	Taguatinga
	Asa Sul
	Guara
Commercial Burglary	Samambaia
	Sobradinho
	Lago Sul
	Brazlandia
	Sobradinho