

# Robbery and Jewelry Stores

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# Store Robbery

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# Hypothesis

- Local jewelry stores in Utah County
- The more security features a store has the lower their risk for robberies



# Research Instrument

- 70 question survey
- Qualtrics
- Security
- Recent Robberies

# Store Demographics

- Weekday hours: 9:00am-9:00pm
- Weekend hours: 10:00am-6:00pm
- Most stores have more than 1 public entrance
- Low vehicle, heavy pedestrian and heavy both

# Trainings and Drills

- 80% of stores surveyed hold trainings about security and robberies
- 80% of stores surveyed require robbery drills



# Employees

- 100% of stores surveyed allow their employees to carry weapons
- 80% of stores surveyed allow their employees to have keys to the store
- 100% of stores only allow upper management to have combinations to the safes

# Alarm Systems

- 100% of stores have alarm systems, silent alarms





# Measures of Security

- Security Cameras
- Bulletproof Glass
- Safes
- Audible/Silent Alarm Systems



# Additional Measures of Security

- Audio Recording Devices
- Motion Detectors
- Employee Background Check
- “Lock-In” Room



# Stores Robbed

- 80% of the stores had been robbed in the last five years
- Of the stores robbed 100% of the stores were robbed at least twice in the last five years

# Sessions and Periods of Robberies

- Robberies occurred mostly in the mornings and evenings/after hours.
- Most robberies happened in the Fall and others happened in the Summer/Winter
- It was 50/50 with robberies happening during a holiday

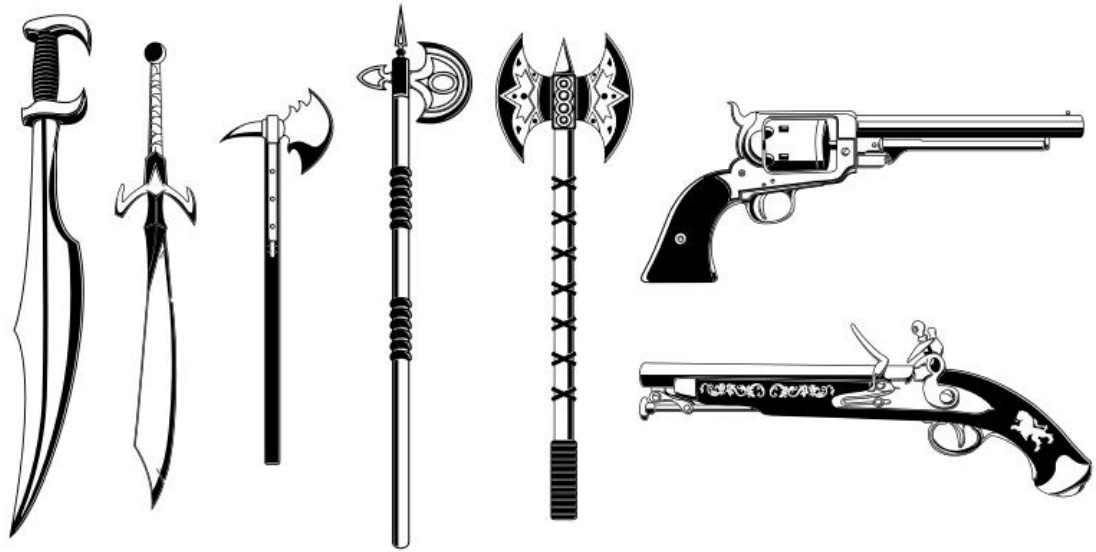
# Robbery Details

- 1 to 3 persons were involved in robberies
- Robbery lasted from 15 minutes to an hour
- Took police 6 to 15 minutes to respond



# Weapons Used in Robbery

- Gun
- Knife
- Axe



# Conclusion

- Although the majority of stores were robbed in the past 5 years, every single suspect involved was caught.
- 90% of the suspects caught was due to **security cameras** and **witnesses**
- 80% Felt that the criminal justice system handled the suspects effectively and appropriately

# Conclusion

Security cameras places in plain view were felt to be the biggest deterrent for crime.

How can you measure the amount of crimes that don't happen?



# What we should have done

Describe how each robbery took place

- How they got in?
- If they got out, how?
- Was there help on the inside?
- Were any of the suspects employees? If so, were they background checked etc...

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- 100% of stores require employees to comply with the robber(s), did any of them not comply during the robbery? If so, what did they do? Did they use a weapon?
- How did employees feel during the robbery?
- Were the drills effective in helping control emotions, keeping cool etc...