

Launceston Security Report

Local security guide - Launceston TAS 7250 - Northern Tasmania, City of Launceston

About Launceston

Launceston is about 200 km north of Hobart.

Launceston is Tasmania's second-largest city, at the head of the Tamar River, with the Brisbane Street Mall and city shops, Cataract Gorge, Launceston General Hospital and the University of Tasmania's Inveresk campus. Tasmania Police recorded 7,694 offences in the Launceston police division in 2025-26, down from 8,353 the year before but still the most of any division in Tasmania. Property offences (5,764) made up most of the total, including 1,024 property damage offences, 350 motor vehicle burglaries, 284 home burglaries, 232 stolen vehicles and 155 business burglaries, and there were 1,520 offences against the person.

Housing and local context

Housing stock: Victorian and Federation homes near the centre, post-war weatherboard and brick houses, and newer estates on the edges of the city.

Launceston's inner suburbs have Victorian and Federation homes, many with timber sash windows, verandahs and long back yards, while post-war weatherboard and brick houses and newer estates spread out across the hills. Businesses in the city centre and along the main roads need after-hours alarms and cameras, and 155 business burglaries were recorded in the division last year.

Common security concerns in Launceston

- Home burglary through older windows and doors
- Property damage
- Business burglary in the city centre

Local tip: Lock older windows and back doors

The Launceston division recorded 284 home burglaries last year. Older Victorian and Federation homes often have timber sash windows and original doors with weak latches, so keyed window locks, deadlocks on the back and side doors, and a sensor light over the side path are worth doing first. An alarm you set every time you go out adds another layer.

Security providers servicing Launceston

Coverall Security - Security Guards & Patrols

Licence 11702 | (03) 6278 3255 | <https://www.coverallsecurity.com.au/>

Jacksons Security - Locksmiths

Licence not published | 13 18 83 | <https://www.jacksonssecurity.com.au/>

MBK Security Group - Security Guards & Patrols

Licence 409648996 | ABN 66 128 196 332 | 1300 023 333 | <https://mbksecuritygroup.com.au/>

Premier Windows and Locksmith Services - Locksmiths

Licence not published | (03) 6344 4496 | <https://www.pwls.com.au/>

Tas Key Locksmiths - Locksmiths

Licence not published | 0422 057 294 | <https://www.taskeyexperts.com.au/>

TMR Systems - Alarm Systems & Monitoring

Licence not published | 1300 867 797 | <https://www.tmrsystems.com.au/>

Before you hire: checklist

- Look up the licence number on the relevant state regulator register and confirm it is current.
- Check the ABN on the Australian Business Register (abr.business.gov.au).
- Hardwired 240V work needs a licensed electrician; in-wall data cabling needs an ACMA-registered cabler.
- For guards and patrols, confirm both the firm licence and each attending officer's licence.
- Get at least three written quotes listing camera models, recorder storage and warranty.
- Aim cameras at your own property and consider disabling audio on cameras facing shared areas.