

Southport Security Report

Local security guide - Southport QLD 4215 - Gold Coast, City of Gold Coast

About Southport

Southport is about 75 km south of the Brisbane CBD.

Southport is the administrative and business centre of the Gold Coast, with the Southport courthouse, Australia Fair shopping centre, the Broadwater parklands, Gold Coast University Hospital nearby and the light rail running through its centre. The Queensland Police Service recorded 8,471 offences against the person and property in the Southport police division in 2025-26, down from 9,011 the year before. Other stealing (2,049) was by far the largest group, followed by assault (1,168) and shop stealing (1,061), and there were 787 thefts from vehicles.

Housing and local context

Housing stock: Apartment towers and older blocks of units, post-war houses, and townhouses near the Broadwater and the light rail.

Southport mixes high-rise apartment towers near the Broadwater and the light rail with older blocks of units, post-war houses and townhouses in the surrounding streets. Many residents rent, and apartment buildings share lobbies, car parks and bike cages managed by a body corporate. Offices, shops and medical suites in the centre need alarms, cameras and access control after hours.

Common security concerns in Southport

- Theft of bikes, tools and belongings
- Shared entries and car parks in apartment buildings
- Shop theft and assaults around the centre

Local tip: Lock up bikes, tools and gear

Other stealing, which covers thefts not counted elsewhere, such as bikes, tools and belongings left outside, was by far the largest offence group in the Southport division last year, with 2,049 offences. Lock bikes and scooters inside or to something solid in the car park, keep tools and gear out of utes and trailers overnight, and ask your body corporate whether the bike cage and car park are covered by cameras.

Security providers servicing Southport

Australian Security Company - CCTV & Camera Installation

Licence 7312 | ABN 87 010 449 555 | (07) 5532 6644 | <https://www.aussec.com.au/>

Border Locksmiths & Electronic Security - Locksmiths

Licence not published | ABN 21 065 668 644 | 1300 526 011 | <https://www.borderlocksmiths.com.au/>

Defensor Security Systems & CCTV - CCTV & Camera Installation

Licence 4834434 | ABN 83 651 795 890 | 0412 853 618 | <https://defensor.com.au/>

OzSpy Security - CCTV & Camera Installation

Licence not published | 07 3806 4891 | <https://www.ozspysecurity.com.au/>

SPL Security Solutions - Locksmiths

Licence not published | ABN 39 088 382 745 | (07) 5588 8111 | <https://www.splsecurity.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.