2F Solving Crime

1 Complete the text with the words below. There is one extra word.

Combat	**petty**	**prevention**	**rate**	**violent**	**wave**

Cybercrime

All over the world, governments and police forces are finding it harder and harder to [1]_____cybercrime. While the number of [2]_____crimes, such as shoplifting, and [3]_____crimes, such as muggings and murders, are either staying the same, or only rising slightly, cybercrime is on the increase. The more sophisticated criminals become, the tougher it is to stop them, and certain areas of cybercrime, such as identity theft and credit card fraud, are currently very common. Indeed, we are in the middle of a crime [4]_____ , and if we don't try to stop this form of crime now, it will only get even more serious. Naturally, governments are putting a lot of money and resources into crime [5]_____ . In particular, they are trying to stop cybercrimes that threaten the security of countries, or of their financial institutions. It is a difficult task, and one that will take a long time.

2 Complete the text with the words below. There is one extra word.

Commit	**cut**	**deter**	**petty**	**rate**	**recorded**

Cybercrime

In the UK, the crime [1]_____has soared by 107% as cyber offences have been included among figures for [2]_____crimes for the first time. It is a shocking rise, and shows just how serious cybercrime has become. It also shows that the way people [3]_____crime is changing too. Now, criminals can sit at a desk, far away, and break the law. Trying to [4]_____criminals from engaging in cybercrime is becoming increasingly difficult. This is because there are so many crimes that can be committed online and there aren't enough police officers with computer expertise. Even so, we have to try to [5]_____crime in this area, as it is only by reducing cybercrime that we will make the world a safer place.

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