



**TAKE CARE:** Truck drivers are warned to be vigilant on the roads as this is the season in which hijackings increase. PICTURE: ETIENNE CREUX

## Trucks can become 'Xmas boxes'

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WITH just over two months to Christmas, commercial fleet drivers are warned to be extra vigilant with their cargo because commercial hijackings are expected to increase.

Matrix Vehicle Tracking communications officer Hannelie Snow said truck drivers should be particularly alert to hijackings along the N3 route between Joburg and KwaZulu-Natal.

Snow advised commercial fleet owners to install tracking devices into their vehicles after two trucks and R2 million worth of cargo were recovered at the weekend.

She said two trucks had been reported hijacked off Rabie Road in Tembisa on Saturday.

A recovery team was dispatched, as one of the trucks was fitted with a tracking device, and both vehicles were recovered including the R2 million cargo.

One man, who was still armed, was caught and handed over to police.

"The value of having a tracking unit in vehicles can be immeasurable when an incident of this nature takes place. Not only was the vehicle with the unit in it recovered, but because both vehicles were travelling together, the second vehicle was recovered too."

