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## **Pair 'used backhoe to steal copper'**

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Two men have been charged after they allegedly rammed their way into a north-west Queensland business and used a backhoe to steal around \$90,000 worth of copper.

The men stole a truck and used it ram the perimeter fence of the Toll Transport holding yard on Flower Street, Mount Isa, about 5am (AEST) on Wednesday, police said.

Once inside, the pair then used a large backhoe to remove three bundles of copper sheets, each valued at around \$30,000.

They were stopped by police a short time later with the haul in the back of the truck.

The men, aged 39 and 41, were charged with one count each of entering a premises and committing an indictable offence, and receiving stolen property.

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