

# NHTSA Infographic Vehicle Theft Prevention



Facts and figures of vehicle theft in the US.

# VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION

What Consumers Should Know

More than  
**\$4.3 BILLION**  
The estimated total value of vehicles  
stolen nationwide



Only **54%**  
of vehicles reported  
as stolen are recovered



Nearly  
**74%** of all motor vehicles reported  
stolen are passenger cars

In the United States,  
a motor vehicle is  
stolen every

**44 SECONDS**



More than half of thefts occur in areas  
where vehicles are parked without  
attendants, such as...



Be smart. Prevent vehicle theft by...

- Closing and locking all windows and doors when you park
- Parking in well-lit areas
- Never leaving the area while your vehicle is running
- Never leaving valuables in your vehicle

Nearly **HALF** of theft is due to driver  
error like leaving keys in the ignition or  
leaving doors unlocked



According to NHTSA's 2011 CY/MY data, the **top 10**  
U.S. States with the most stolen vehicles...



1 California (1,665)	6 Georgia (373)
2 Texas (986)	7 North Carolina (316)
3 Florida (928)	8 New Jersey (297)
4 New York (603)	9 Maryland (287)
5 Illinois (431)	10 Indiana (258)

For more information on Vehicle Theft Prevention and NHTSA, check out [SaferCar.gov/theft](http://SaferCar.gov/theft).