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Crime in the United States

In the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, motor vehicle theft is defined as the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. In the UCR Program, a motor vehicle is a self-propelled vehicle that runs on land surfaces and not on rails. Examples of motor vehicles include sport utility vehicles, automobiles, trucks, buses, motorcycles, motor scooters, all-terrain vehicles, and snowmobiles. Motor vehicle theft does not include farm equipment, bulldozers, airplanes, construction equipment, or water craft such as motorboats, sailboats, houseboats, or jet skis. The taking of a motor vehicle for temporary use by persons having lawful access is excluded from this definition.

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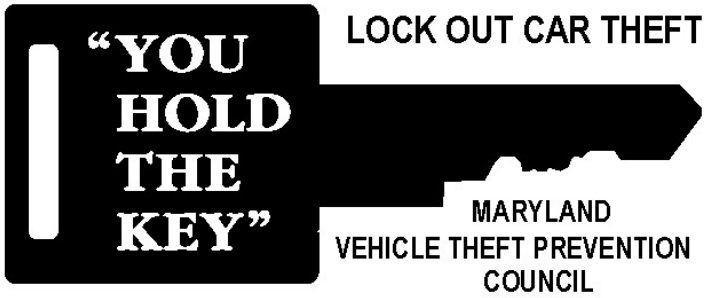

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Vehicle Theft Prevention Council (Council) is in its 25th year of service to the citizens of the State of Maryland. Council Programs have proven to be highly effective with a direct correlation to funding levels. From 1995 - 2000, Vehicle Theft Programs were fully funded and vehicle theft decreased 32%. From 2001 - 2004, funding levels were drastically reduced and vehicle theft increased 28%. Full funding levels were restored in 2005, with a corresponding decrease of 64% by 2018. Since the Council's inception in 1994, vehicle theft in Maryland has decreased 68% in total numbers.

WASHINGTON REGION

Of significance, is the high level of vehicle thefts experienced in Prince George's County. Between 2001 - 2004, vehicle theft increased 102% from 8,659 to 18,482. With enhanced funding in FY 2005 - FY 2018, vehicle theft prevention programs were restored in the County. By the end of 2018, vehicle theft had decreased 68% to a level of 4,122 vehicle thefts in the Washington Region.

BALTIMORE REGION

The Council's most prominent success has been in the Baltimore Region. In 1994, 52% of all vehicle thefts in the state occurred in Baltimore City and Baltimore County. The Council's first funded Program was to assist in creating a multi-jurisdictional Task Force between the City and the County which has come to be known as the Baltimore Regional Auto Theft Team, or RATT. This proved to be highly successful; vehicle theft rates in Baltimore City and Baltimore County decreased 50% between 1995 - 2000, while vehicle theft in those areas has since decreased an average of 48%. The RATT concept was duplicated in the Washington Region in 2005 with similar results.

2019 COUNCIL INITIATIVES

In July 2019, the Council awarded 20 grants to a variety of organizations encompassing public awareness and prevention, law enforcement, prosecution, and juvenile intervention for a total of $1,869,000.00. These grants were focused on the Baltimore/Washington Metropolitan Area where 92% of all vehicle thefts occur. Grants in the Baltimore Region were awarded to Baltimore City, Baltimore County, Anne Arundel County, Harford County, Howard County, and the City of Annapolis. Grant assistance in the Washington Region includes Prince George's, Montgomery, and Charles Counties.

The Council awarded 20 grants for FY2020...for a total of $1,869,000.00.

The Council continues to support and administer "Watch Your Car" which is a National Vehicle Theft Prevention Program. The Program is voluntary and allows police to stop vehicles displaying the special "Watch Your Car" decals between the hours of 1:00 a.m. and 5:00 a.m. There are approximately 40,000 Maryland motorists currently registered in the Program.

The Council also continues to partner with the MD-DC Anti-Car Theft Committee (ACT). ACT is the Council's private sector partner and provides free "VIN Etching" and other vehicle theft prevention services which supplement the Council's public awareness efforts.

CONCLUSION

Based upon funding levels, the Council has been successful in providing planning and fiscal resources to state, local jurisdictions, and community organizations whose effort, in turn, affected vehicle theft rates. Our goal is not only to continue to reverse the vehicle theft trend, but to continue to manage the problem in the future.

THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF VEHICLE THEFT IN MARYLAND

After four years of significant increase between 2000 - 2004, Maryland has experienced a 67% percent reduction in vehicle theft since 2003. In 1999, Maryland had a total of 26,063 vehicle thefts, a decrease of 32% over 1994. Total thefts rose to 36,406 in 2003 representing an increase of 10,339 stolen vehicles. In 2004, we saw a slight decrease of 545 stolen vehicles, or -1.5%. In 2018, thefts had decreased to 12,146, or a 67% decrease over 2003. In economic terms, this decrease is significant. Based on the $8,407.00 UCR average price of a stolen vehicle*, decreases in thefts since 1994 translates to an economic savings of $218,985,536 to Maryland citizens.

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THE NATURE OF VEHICLE THEFT

Vehicle theft is primarily a crime of opportunity. Victims often fail to employ even the most modest precautions to deter theft. Frequently, victims either do not lock the vehicle, leave the vehicle with the keys in the ignition, or occasionally, both. Several surveys indicate that many cases of vehicle theft result from such carelessness. Surveys across the State of Maryland, reveal that about 50% of recovered stolen vehicles had the key (or key fob) in the car at the time of their recovery. Thus, the perpetrators often steal a vehicle with little effort.

PERPETRATORS

Auto theft can best be understood by the perpetrator's motivations. Thefts can be distributed into four distinct groups. In most cases, vehicles are stolen either for the resale or distribution of parts, for transportation purposes, for the commission of other crimes, or for exportation. Of these four factors, the greatest threats to Maryland citizens are the destruction of vehicles for parts and exportation. The operation of "chop shops" and exportation allows for the complete destruction of vehicles often resulting in a total loss for the owner. In the other two instances (transportation purposes and the use of vehicles to commit other crimes) the destruction of the vehicle is generally not as certain and the large majority are recovered.

During 2018, 86% of the motor vehicle thefts were cars, 5% were trucks and buses, and 9% were other motor vehicles. Motor vehicle thefts accounted for 9.8% of property crime and 8.0% of the crime index. There were 201 motor vehicle thefts per 100,000 population.

The 2018 Maryland UCR provided final arrest statistics for vehicle theft. In comparing 2017 to 2018 data, arrests for vehicle theft increased from 1,951 in 2017 to 2,100 in 2018. The perpetrators, according to the 2018 UCR, were 82% male and 18% female; with 28% being white, 70.7% African American, 0.5% American Indian, Asian, and Pacific Islander. 25.9% of those arrested for vehicle theft were juveniles.

LOCATION OF THEFT

Historical data indicates that vehicle thefts often occur in two distinct areas that conform to a time frame. In most circumstances, thefts occur either in residential areas in the late evening and early morning hours, or in commercial areas in the mid-day hours. In both cases, the perpetrators easily elude observation.

RECOVERY & VEHICLE THEFT

Often, the location of the recovery provides law enforcement officials with valuable information on the nature of the crime. In rural areas, vehicles are often abandoned in fields. Vehicles left in suburban and urban areas generally are found on the street, as if parked. In 2018, 69.7% of reported stolen vehicles were recovered at a value of $51,606,490.

This rather substantial recovery rate suggests that most vehicle theft instances are related either to transportation purposes or to the use of a vehicle to commit other crimes.

* 2018 UCR Value

TYPES OF VEHICLES STOLEN

Although vehicle theft is primarily a crime of opportunity, perpetrators often favor particular makes and models. The following list ranks, according to information received by the Maryland Vehicle Theft Prevention Council, the ten most common vehicles stolen in the area of occurrence.

Top 10 Stolen Vehicles in Maryland:

1.	Honda Accord	2014
2.	Toyota Camry	2017
3.	Dodge Caravan	2002
4.	Nissan Altima	2015
5.	Ford Pickup (Full Size)	2006
6.	Honda Civic	2012
7.	Toyota Corolla	2017
8.	Jeep Cherokee/Grand Cherokee	1999
9.	Hyundai Sonata	2013
10.	Hyundai Elantra	2018

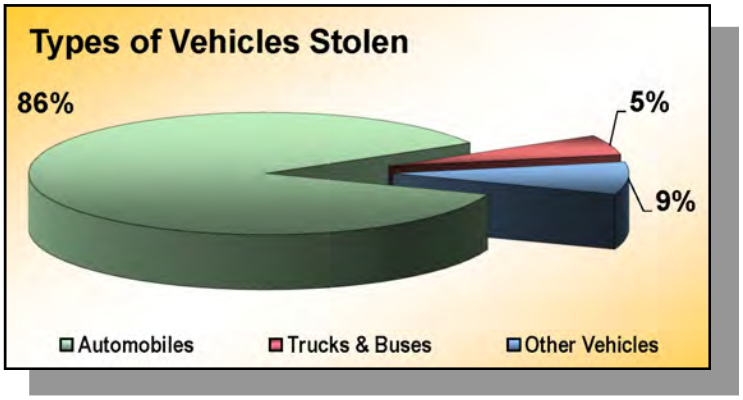
Top 10 Stolen Nationwide:

1.	Honda Civic	2000
2.	Honda Accord	1997
3.	Ford Pickup (Full Size)	2006
4.	Chevrolet Pickup (Full Size)	2004
5.	Toyota Camry	2017
6.	Nissan Altima	2017
7.	Toyota Corolla	2017
8.	GMC Pickup (Full Size)	2018
9.	Dodge Pickup (Full Size)	2001
10.	Jeep Cherokee/Grand Cherokee	2000

MOTOR VEHICLE ROBBERY

In 2018, there were 731 car jackings, a 11.1% decrease from the 822 reported in 2017, and the 644 reported in 2016. It has previously been hypothesized that, as public awareness programs increase and anti-theft devices become more popular, carjackings would also increase. However, recent data does not support this hypothesis. From 1994 - 2000, vehicle theft decreased 36% and carjacking decreased 44%.

From 2005 - 2018, vehicle theft decreased 64% and carjacking decreased 60%. The nature of vehicle theft and vehicle robbery differ drastically. Whereas vehicle theft is a crime of opportunity, vehicle robbery presents the perpetrator with intense personal involvement with the victim. In 2018, vehicle theft decreased 10.2% and carjacking decreased 11.1% over the previous year.



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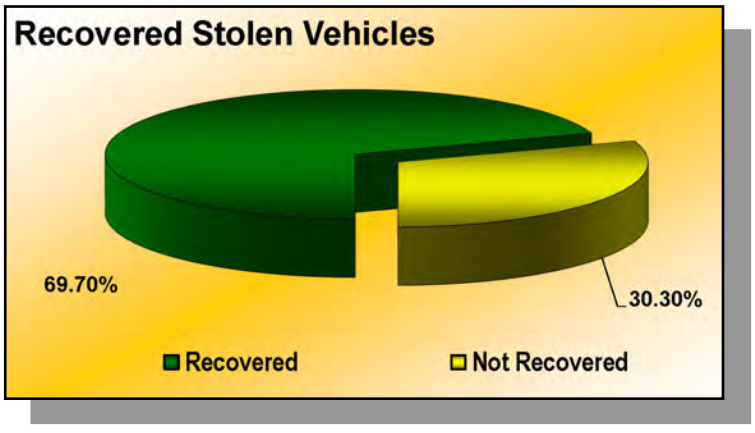
Driver error is to blame in 40% to 50% of vehicle thefts.

(keys in vehicle / windows down / doors unlocked)



THE EXTENT OF VEHICLE THEFT

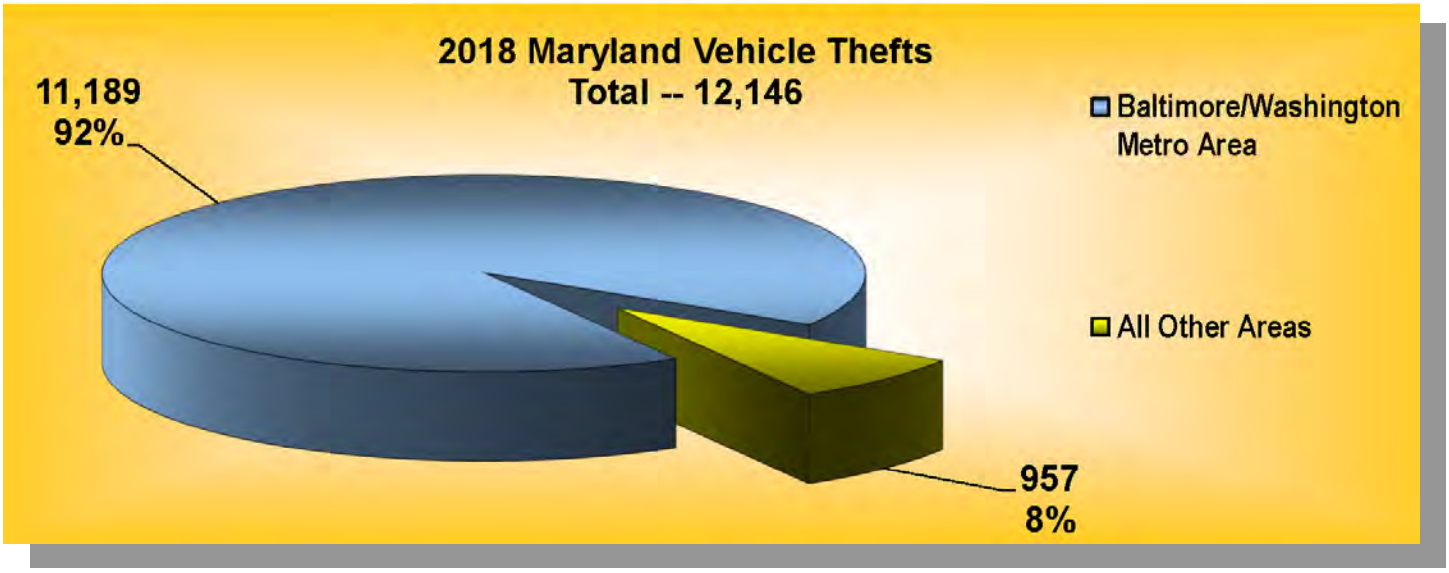
The Baltimore Region has seen decreases in vehicle theft since 1994 levels. The most dramatic decreases can be seen in Howard County, Baltimore County, and Harford County. These three areas, respectively, had decreases of 78%, 71% and 65% since the intervention of the Council in 1994. In addition, as part of the Baltimore Metro area, Baltimore City has experienced a 68% decrease, while Anne Arundel County has decreased 62%.

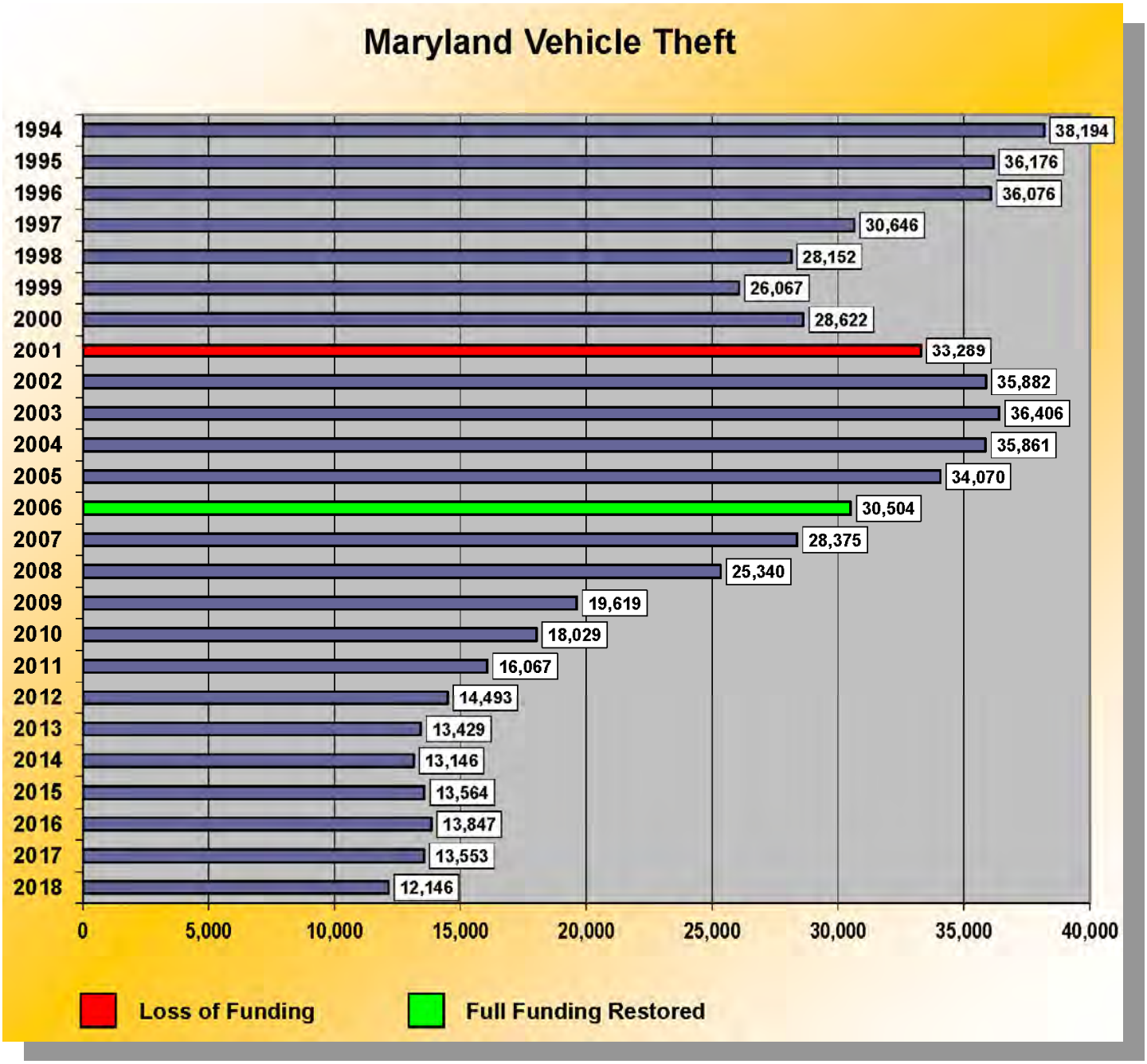
The Washington Region has seen similar success since 1994 with Montgomery County experiencing a 77% decrease, Prince George's County decreasing 69%, and Charles County seeing a decrease of 60%.

Most non-urban regions of the state experienced decreases in vehicle theft since the inception of the council. The Western Region (Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, and Washington Counties) was no exception, with a decrease of 35%. The Eastern Shore Region (Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties) reported a decrease of 51%. The Southern Region (Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's Counties) reported a decrease of 46%. Of note is a 9% increase in St. Mary's County and a 88% decrease in Kent County, as well as a 81% decrease in Talbot County and a 66% decrease in Somerset County.

COMPARISON WITH OVERALL CRIME

The trends in vehicle theft during 2018 can be compared to other forms of crime. There were 152,135 total crime incidents reported in 2018 compared to 167,093 in 2017. The crime index total decreased 8.95% in 2018 when compared to 2017. For 2018, the vehicle theft rate in Maryland has decreased 10%. Since the Council's first programs were implemented in 1994, the motor vehicle theft rate has declined 68%.




Maryland Vehicle Theft
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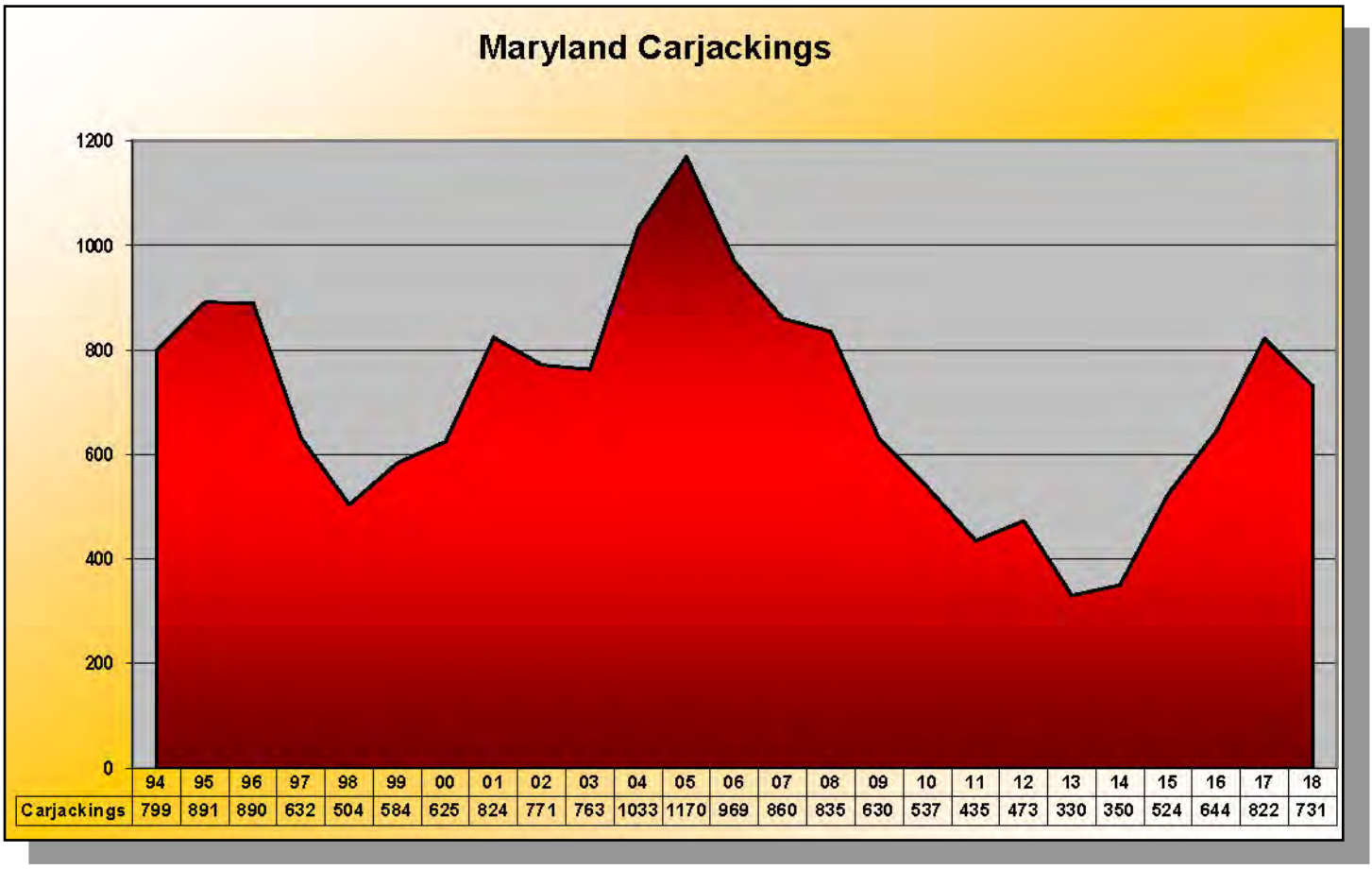

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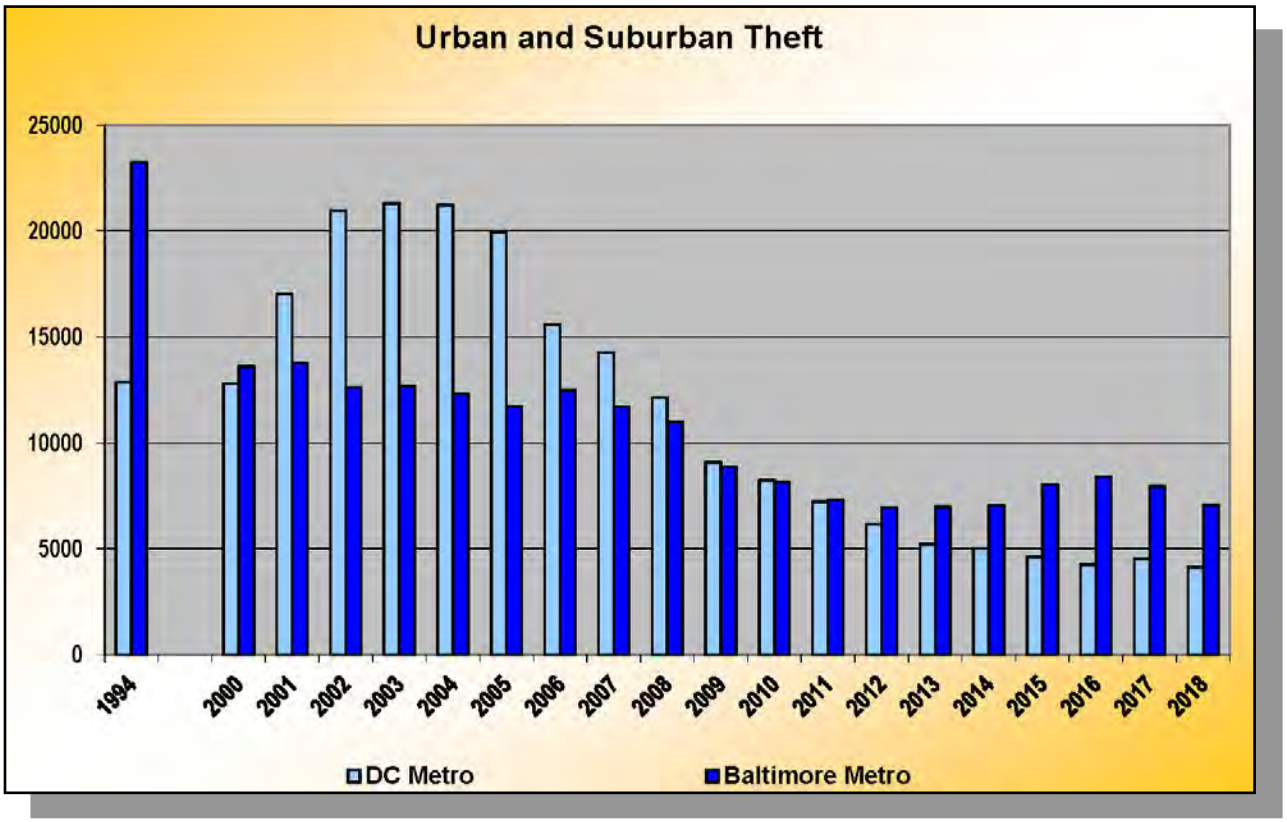
Carjackers look for the right opportunity.

Generally, carjackers look for drivers slowing down, stopping, or getting into or out of their vehicle.

That is why carjacking often occurs in parking lots and garages, at stop lights and signs and by the side of the road.

If you encounter a carjacker, surrender the vehicle without a fight. Carjacking is a serious and very dangerous situation. You can replace a car, but the life of every Maryland resident is precious.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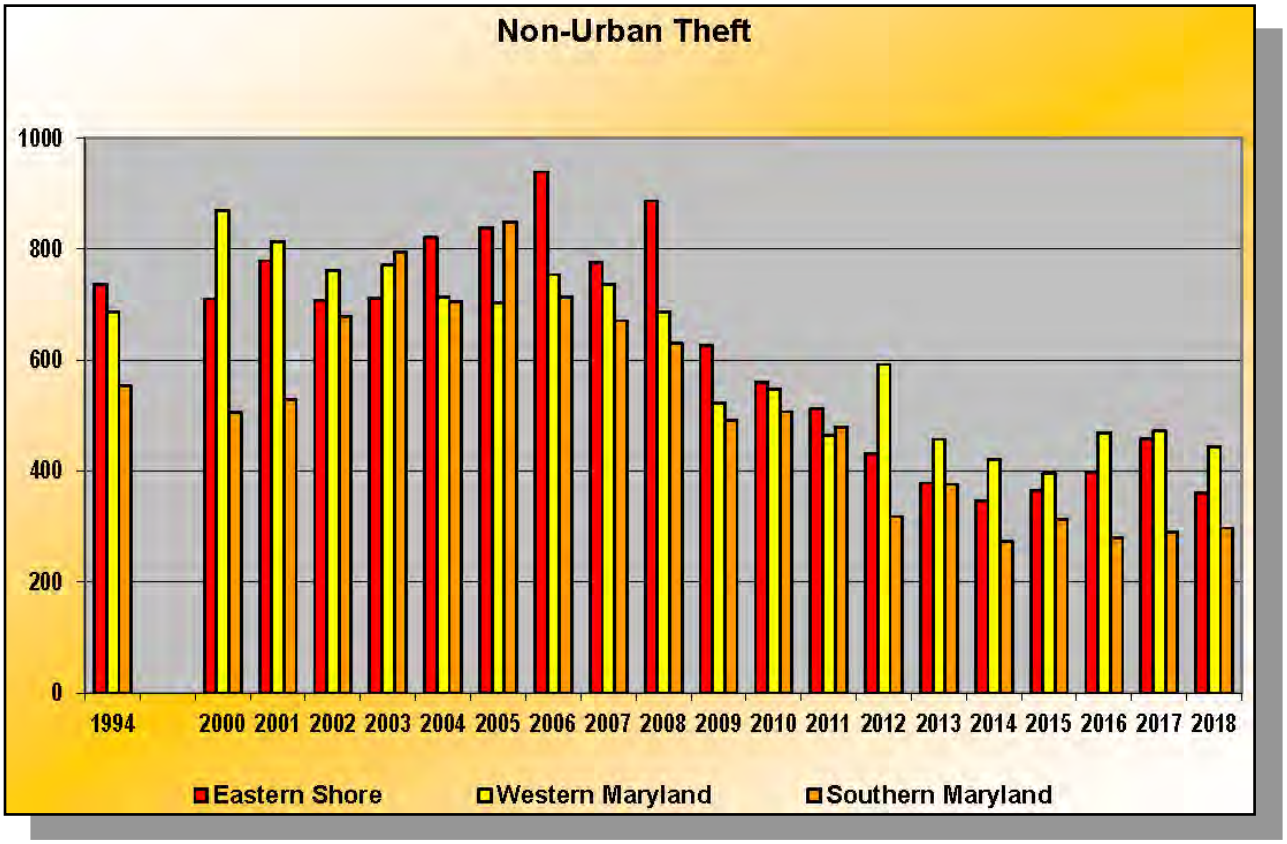
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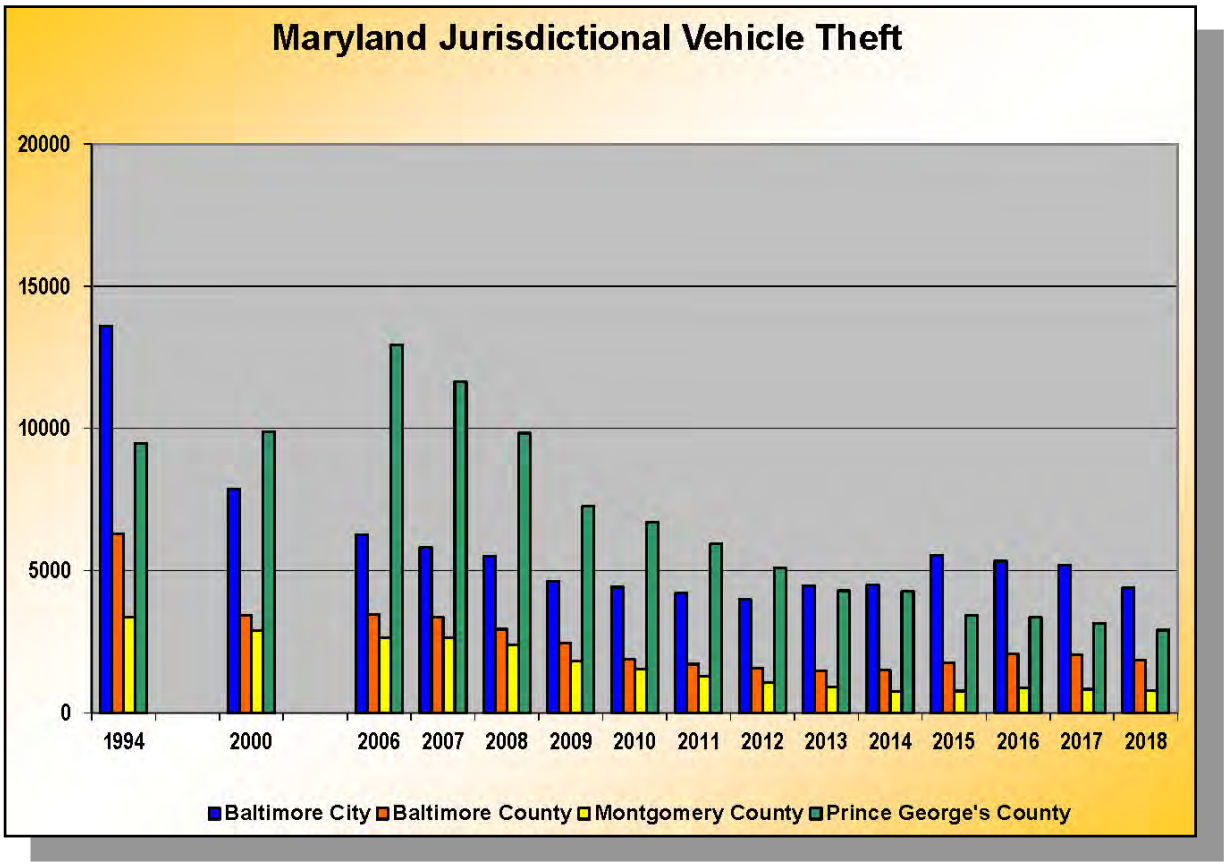
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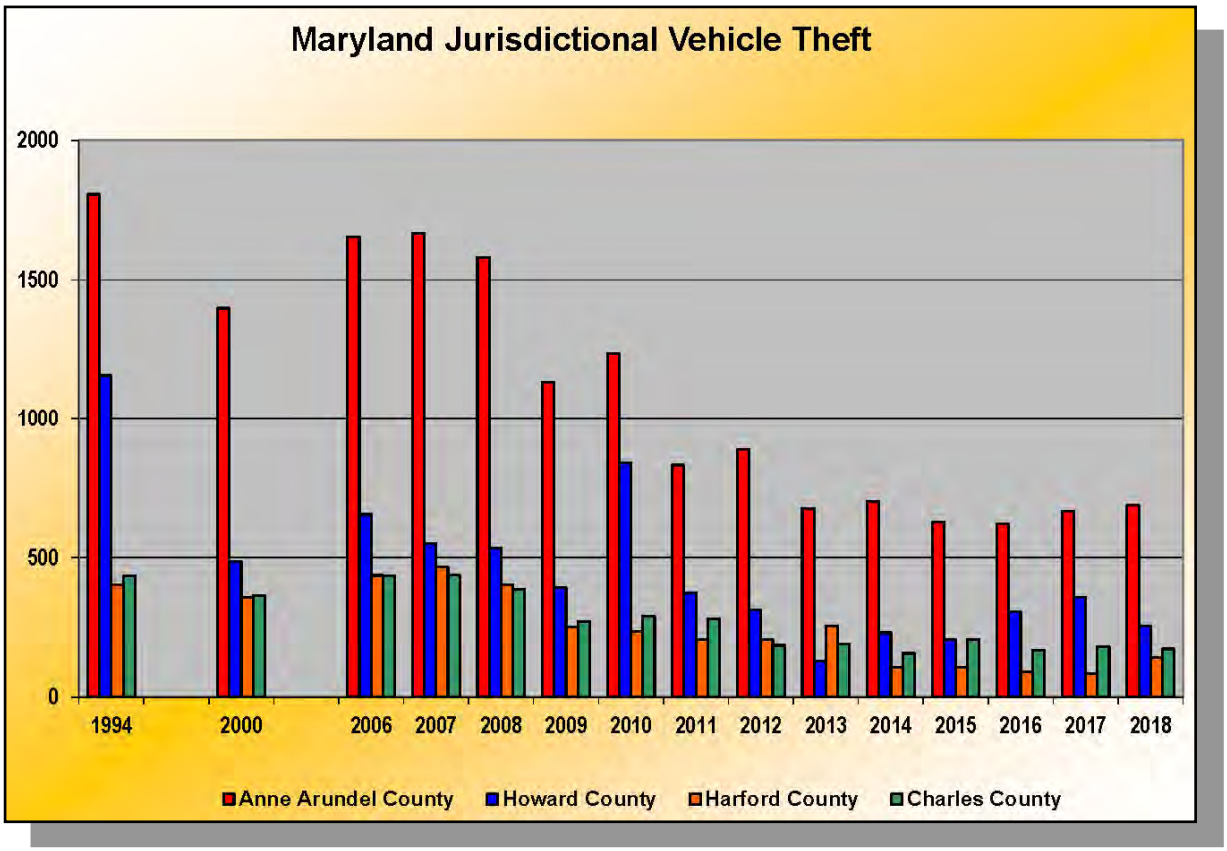
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Howard County
Harford County
Charles County

STATEWIDE VEHICLE THEFT STRATEGIES

FOUR PART APPROACH

The Council has embraced a four-part programmatic approach based on efforts in other states which have proven effective in the prevention of vehicle theft.

PREVENTION / EDUCATION

Statistics estimate that in three out of four cases of auto theft, owners left the doors unlocked. In one out of four cases, keys were left in the ignition. Without prevention efforts and public support, law enforcement alone cannot effectively prevent vehicle thefts in Maryland.

Public education campaigns and prevention training programs can increase individual awareness of the cost of vehicle theft, provide tips for vehicle owners to prevent thefts, and demonstrate the savings that preventative measures yield. The Council encourages prevention programs that promote public awareness and provide public training in the preventative measures.

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In an effort to assure maximum effectiveness and statewide coverage of a prevention campaign, the Council encourages programs covering multiple jurisdictions. Partnerships promoting vehicle theft prevention programs between local law enforcement agencies and community organizations are strongly promoted. All law enforcement grants are required to have a prevention component.

DETECTION AND APPREHENSION

The Council encourages detection and apprehension programs by specifically allocating funds to law enforcement agencies. Vehicle theft detection and apprehension programs include community involvement programs, detection training programs, and enhancements to information-gathering programs. Vehicle theft often transcends jurisdictional boundaries; the Council, therefore, encourages law enforcement efforts covering multiple jurisdictional boundaries. An example of this is multi-agency vehicle theft enforcement teams. Multi-jurisdictional efforts may include municipalities, counties, regions, and community organizations.

PROSECUTION & CONVICTION

Prosecution and conviction of automobile thieves is one of the most important means of breaking vehicle theft rings and reducing the economic incentives of vehicle theft.

In the past, the prosecution of vehicle theft cases had a relatively low priority at both local and state levels because of four factors: staffs were limited and consumed with prosecution of violent crimes, vehicle theft is a property crime as opposed to a personal crime, victims receive insurance compensation, and vehicle theft prosecutions are complex and expensive in comparison to resultant penalties. A special prosecutor to handle vehicle theft cases through both district and circuit courts is an effective method in achieving convictions.

The Council encourages prosecution and judicial programs designed to assist with the prosecution of persons charged with vehicle theft offenses, as well as efforts to implement legislative changes that facilitate the prosecution of vehicle thieves and forfeiture of their property.

JUVENILE INTERVENTION

Because of the large percentage of juveniles involved in auto theft, the Council dedicates a percentage of funds to juvenile service agencies to develop programmatic initiatives with specific vehicle theft offense components. The funds will also be used to improve data collection to enhance research and analysis capabilities of juveniles involved in vehicle theft and related offenses. Schools may be an effective setting for presenting special vehicle theft programs to large groups of young people. Current study data indicates a need to influence juveniles in both middle and high schools about the consequences of vehicle theft.

THE COUNCIL'S IMPACT ON PREVENTING VEHICLE THEFT

Since its inception, the Maryland Vehicle Theft Prevention Council has been effective in its efforts to combat vehicle theft throughout the State of Maryland. The combination of public awareness, prevention, and education has played an integral role in the decline in vehicle theft. By continuing to fund the council, this multi-faceted approach can continue to be applied and provide untold benefits towards the continued reduction of auto theft statewide.

ANTI-CAR THEFT COMMITTEE

In 1997, the Council organized the Maryland Anti-Car Theft Committee (ACT) as a public/private partnership between the Council, automobile insurance carriers, and other vehicle related organizations.

The ACT Committee was formally incorporated in Maryland as a 501(c3) nonprofit tax exempt organization. The primary function of the ACT Committee is to organize and fund various public awareness/education/prevention programs throughout Maryland, thereby enhancing and broadening the base of the Council's efforts. The Council continues to partnership with the ACT Committee.

In 2000, ACT expanded its area of responsibility to include the District of Columbia, becoming the MD-DC ACT Committee. The MD-DC ACT Committee assists the Maryland Vehicle Theft Prevention Council in promoting public awareness campaigns around the state.

"WATCH YOUR CAR"

In October 1997, Maryland was awarded a Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance grant to launch the national "Watch Your Car" program. Maryland was one of the first seven states to be at the forefront of this national vehicle theft prevention program. The "Watch Your Car" initiative allows motor vehicle owners to voluntarily display a reflective decal on their vehicles to alert police that the vehicle is not normally driven between the hours of 1 a.m. and 5 a.m. If the vehicle is observed being operated during these hours, the owner has consented to having the vehicle stopped by police anywhere in the United States. Police can then ensure that the vehicle is not stolen.

This program is totally voluntary and at no cost to the participants. Similar decal programs throughout the country have proven successful. This program was officially implemented in August of 1998. Currently, there are approximately 40,000 Maryland motorists registered in the program with law enforcement agencies participating statewide. In 2000, the Council applied for, and received, "Watch Your Car" Supplemental Funding of $240,000.00. This continued the program through 2003. The Council has since assumed funding responsibilities to continue this valuable program.

COUNCIL WEBSITE www.mdautotheft.org
Our website is directed at providing vehicle theft prevention data and an interactive link to the public and numerous other vehicle theft prevention organizations nationwide.

Vehicle Theft By The Numbers

751,771 The number of cars stolen in the United States in 2018.

12,146 The number of cars stolen in the State of Maryland in 2018.

95% The percentage of stolen vehicles that had no apparent anti-theft devices.

66% The percentage of vehicle thefts that occur at night.

60% The percentage of stolen vehicles that were unlocked.

50% The percentage of stolen vehicles that had the keys inside the vehicle.

22% The percentage of stolen vehicles that are not recovered.

45 The number of seconds between each auto theft in the United States.

40 The number of minutes between each auto theft in the State of Maryland.

FACT:

Brochures like these, translated into Spanish, have helped the Maryland Vehicle Theft Prevention Council raise awareness throughout the state.

VEHICLE THEFT FACTS AND TIPS

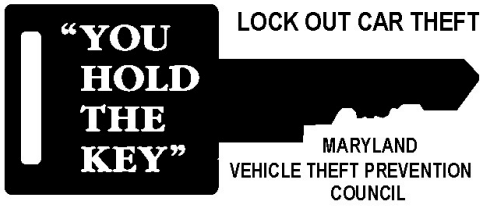
Did you know?

- In 2018, there were 12,146 motor vehicles stolen in Maryland.
- A vehicle theft occurs every 43 minutes in Maryland.
- In approximately 50 percent of the vehicles stolen, keys were left in the vehicles.
- It is estimated that 60 percent of the vehicles stolen were not locked.
- 2,100 individuals were arrested for vehicle theft in 2018.
- Juveniles represented 25.9% of the arrests for vehicle theft in Maryland.
- Approximately 25 to 40 percent of the cost of comprehensive auto insurance is due to auto theft.
- National surveys reveal that 33% of drivers left their car while it was running.
- Driver error is to blame in 40 to 50 percent of vehicle thefts (keys in ignition, key fobs left in vehicles, windows down, unlocked doors).

Protect yourself and your car!

- You hold the key! Lock your car and take the key.
- Use anti-theft devices such as alarms, kill switches, steering wheel and brake locking devices, or recovery systems.
- Park in well-lit and heavily traveled areas.
- Park with wheels turned toward the curb.
- Lock vehicle doors upon entering.
- Do not hide spare keys in or under the vehicle, they can be easily found.
- Never leave a vehicle title, driver's license, or any type of owner identification in the glove box.
- Place valuables out of sight; for SUV's utilize a cargo cover.

Lock Your Car, Take Your Keys/Fobs, Hide Your Valuables!



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IN WORDS & PICTURES

Recovered re-plated stolen motorcycle recovered from Ocean City Bike Week event.

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Seized ATV from a traffic stop. ATV later identified as a re-plated stolen ATV and the juvenile charged with auto theft.

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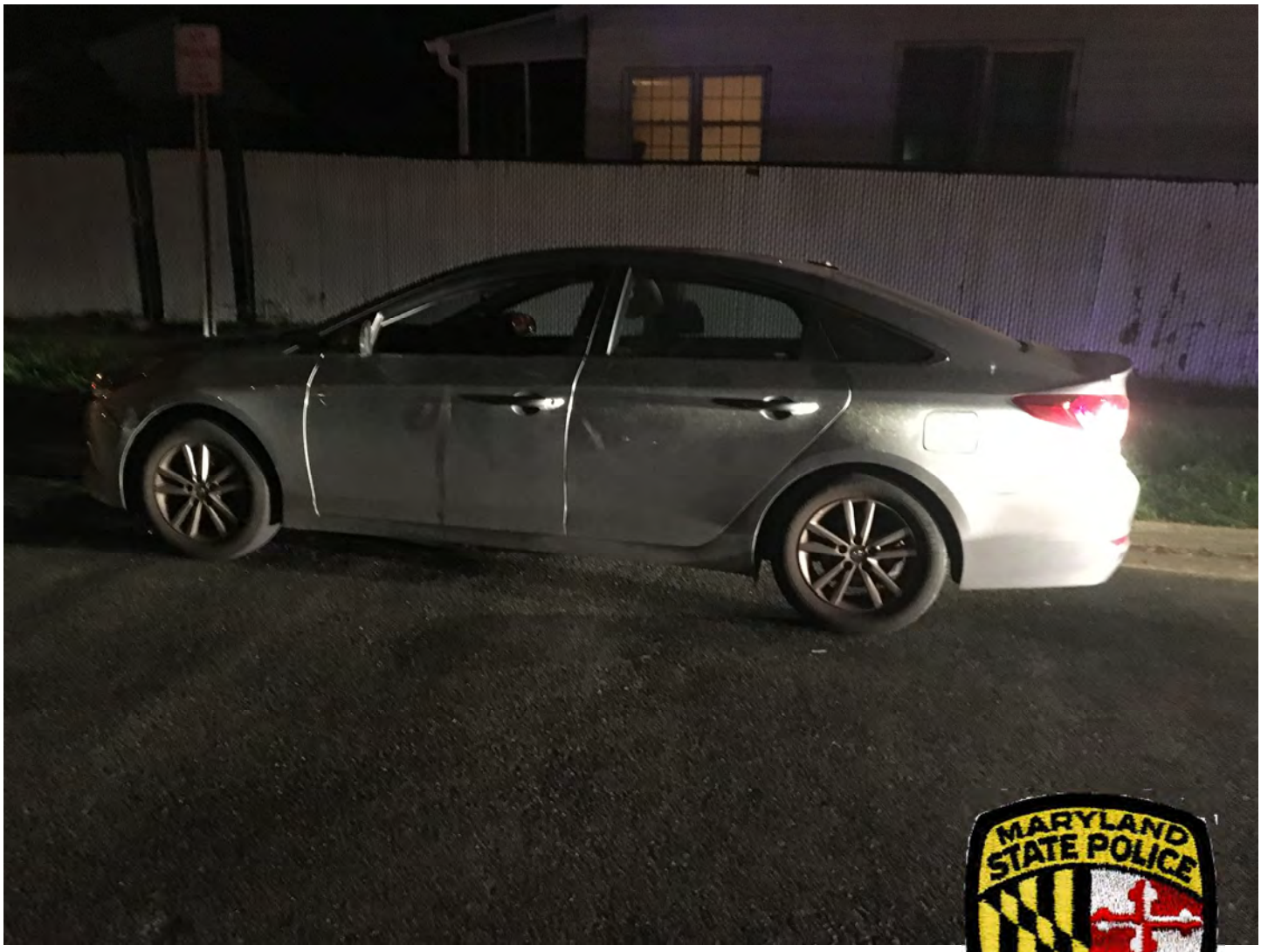

Stolen Enterprise Rental vehicle stopped with the renter driving. Vehicle had not been returned or fees paid for 8 months. Suspect arrested and vehicle recovered.

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Recovered stolen vehicle which was purchased from a dealership with a synthetic ID. Suspect arrested, recovered handgun.

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CSM Digital Media Students Take Grand Prize, Earn Accolades for Anti-Theft Projects

Maryland State Police Select Most Effective Public Service Announcements in Annual Contest

Nine College of Southern Maryland (CSM) digital media students were honored this spring for exhibiting award-winning creativity in the production of public service announcements (PSAs) aimed at helping to reduce vehicle thefts.

In an annual contest that allows students to show off their skills towards a real-world project, participants from both CSM and Towson University were invited to enter the Maryland State Police (MSP) 2019 Maryland Vehicle Theft Prevention Public Service Announcement Competition last semester. Students then worked individually, and in teams, to create and submit 30-second PSAs that warn residents about car theft and/or the theft of items left in cars. Awards were given in two categories — video and audio.

"Our digital media production students did extremely well in the competition and I am proud of them," said Professor Olaniyi Areke, who is in his fourth year as program coordinator of digital media production at CSM. "These students are creative, focused, hardworking, determined, dedicated and persistent in getting their projects done in a grand way."

CSM students submitted 12 videos and five audio PSAs in this year's competition. The nine who were honored for their work included Anthony Aceto, of Waldorf; Jacob Buchanan, of Mechanicsville; Gabriel Chandler, of Callaway; Elijah Green, of Prince Frederick; Tieler King, of White Plains; Jayne and Sarah Kissel, of La Plata; Cole Pepin, of White Plains; and Lois Stephenson, of Leonardtown.

The team of Pepin and Green took grand prize honors in the video category. Also placing in the *(continued)*

College of Southern Maryland - Winners and Winnings:
Top Row (left to right): Gabriel Chandler; Jacob Buchanan; Jayne and Sarah Kissel; Anthony Aceto.
Bottom Row left to right): Elijah Green and Lois Stephenson

video category were Buchanan, the team of Chandler and King and the mother/daughter team of Jayne and Sarah Kissel. Audio winners were Aceto, Buchanan and Stephenson.

Winning students earned financial awards and valuable professional recognition.

This was the second round of recognition for Green who also won a grand prize in the audio category in the 2017 contest, making him the first CSM student to win grand prizes in both audio and video categories.

Buchanan also set a record for CSM in the contest, winning three awards in two years. He was honored in both the audio and video categories this year, and in the 2018 contest, Buchanan was the video grand prize winner.

“I’m pretty proud that my work was chosen to be honored by the MSP,” Buchanan said. “In all honesty, I perpetually had my fingers crossed for a while, waiting for the results of who placed or not. And I was ecstatic to find out that I did.”

King said she learned a lot from her participation in the contest with fellow student Chandler. “We worked well together and had similar visions.” King said of their partnership. “Being in a well-functioning team meant a lot to me. It was also interesting to gain a better understanding of the amount of effort that goes into working on a project that has a set duration that must be met. It truly makes you appreciate the production value of commercials, which most people tend to ignore.”

Stephenson said she entered the contest even though Areke’s class was only her second film course. “I joined the contest for the practice … just to stretch my wings – and I love a challenge,” she shared.

The mother/daughter team of Jayne and Sarah Kissel had been looking for a creative class to take together at CSM, and chose Video Field Production.

“The PSA project was great because it allowed me to learn how to write a script, film it, and then edit the film,” Jayne Kissel said. “The PSA was a valuable experience because it forced you as a student to organize your time, think about your audience, work with others, and to work within a time constraint of a 30-second video.”

For her part, Sarah Kissel said the PSA project improved her teamwork skills. “I’m glad our PSA project will be used to encourage people to safely secure their vehicles before leaving them,” she said. “It was fun and worth the effort to make this PSA video, I wouldn’t mind doing it again.”

“I would like to thank the Maryland State Police for sponsoring this award,” added Jayne Kissel. “It is an important opportunity for CSM students to gain real-world experience in this field, and the award money helps with student expenses.”

The Maryland State Police partners with the Maryland Vehicle Theft Prevention Council and the MD-DC Anti-Car Theft Committee (ACT) to host the annual PSA competition with CSM.

“Our partnership between law enforcement, the private sector and the College of Southern Maryland is aimed at raising the awareness of specific issues related to vehicle theft and its related crimes while continuing to reverse vehicle theft trends,” said Christopher McDonold, Executive Director of the Maryland Vehicle Theft Prevention Council. “While vehicle theft is a crime of opportunity, the PSAs created by the students serve as an education for motorists about the methods to protect their vehicle and personal property to avoid becoming a victim.”

25th Anniversary

1994 - 2019

The Vehicle Theft Prevention Council celebrated its 25th Anniversary this past year.

At the Northwest Citizens Patrol 38th Anniversary Dinner, it was our pleasure to recognize Ray Presley, its Founder, and Chris McDonold, its present Executive Director, for their excellent stewardship of the organization.

The NWCP wishes the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council many more years of success in being the premier organization curtailing vehicle theft in Maryland.

Photo (above, left to right): Ray Presley, Neil Schachter, Lt. Diane Hansen - Maryland State Police, and Chris McDonold.

Photo & Text Courtesy of Neil Schachter, President Northwest Citizens Patrol

"The community conferencing process not only provides a voice for victims of vehicle theft, but it also provides a space for accountability, where a young person has to directly face those affected by their actions. This level of accountability provides for self-examination and mitigates vehicle theft by preventing these offenders, who are better able to understand how what they do impacts everyone around them, from re-offending and committing more serious crimes. This would not be possible without support from the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council."

Larell Smith-Bacon
Conferencing Program Director
Restorative Response Baltimore
(formerly the Community Conferencing Center)

"We continue to see and experience the rise and increase of much crime. We are very fortunate, and benefit greatly from an Organization that focuses all of its energy and that it's sole mission is to prevent auto theft. Much success in 2020."

Neil Schachter
President, Northwest Citizens Patrol

"IMPACT thanks the Maryland Vehicle Theft Prevention Council for their support. MVTPC funds allow us to sponsor an annual advanced Vehicle Identifiers School. Detectives from multiple jurisdictions along with National Insurance Crime Bureau Special Agents work together to catalogue valuable information on new model year cars and trucks at the Washington DC New car show. This information is used in the fight against the growing trends of Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) switching, vehicle cloning and salvage fraud, now employed by organized crime to steal high dollar vehicles and sell those vehicles to the unsuspecting public. These theft techniques are part of the 'new face of auto theft' that challenges the law enforcement and insurance communities. This type of training is not provided in the Mid-Atlantic region by any other group or school."

Joseph Asplen
President
IMPACT

IMPACT
Industry Merged with Police Against Car Theft

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VEHICLE THEFT

Jurisdictions Receiving Council Assistance
*1994 vs. 2018

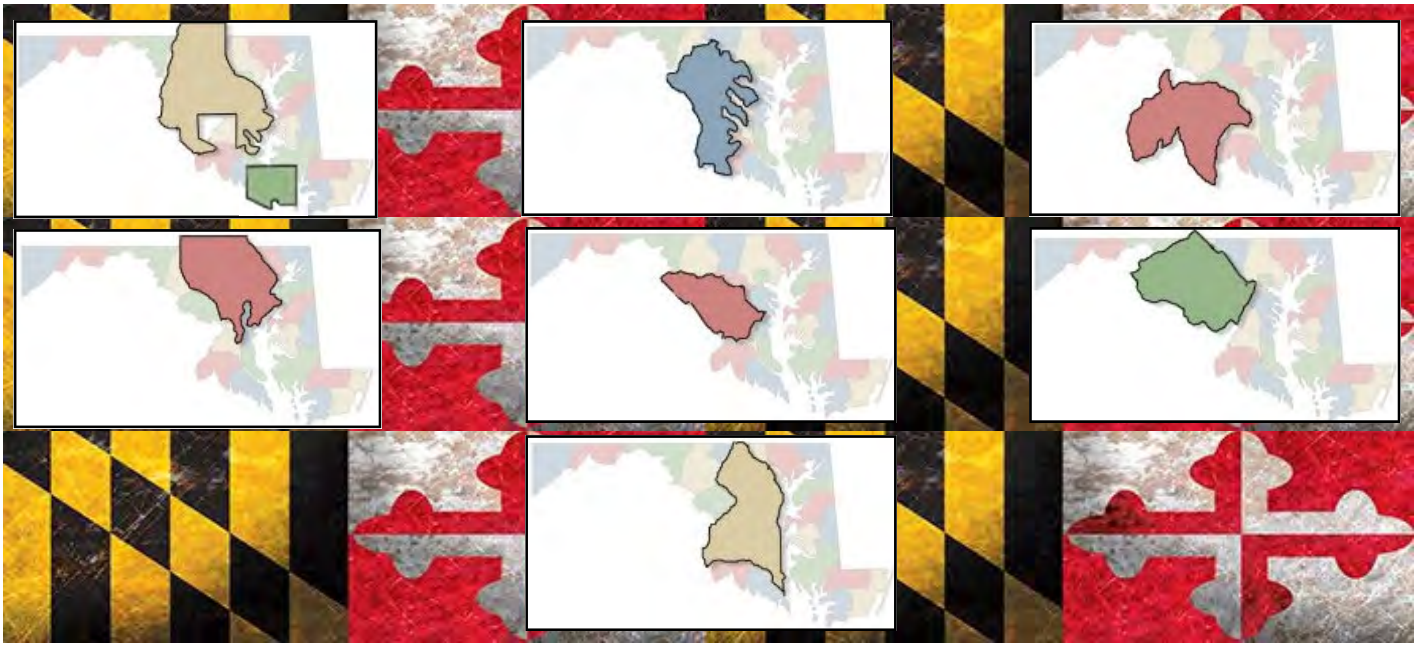
	1994	2018	+%
Baltimore County	6,289	1,847	-71%
Baltimore City	13,603	4,389	-68%
Anne Arundel County	1,806	688	-62%
Charles County	435	173	-60%
Harford County	403	143	-65%
Howard County	1,157	255	-78%
Montgomery County	3,370	784	-77%
Prince George's County	9,477	2,910	-69%
TOTAL	36,540	11,189	-69%
STATE-WIDE	38,194	12,146	-68%

Vehicle Theft Rates

(Stolen Vehicles Per 100,000 Population - State-Wide)

*1994	763.00	
1999	492.00	-36%
2000	539.00	-29%
2003	661.00	-13%
2004	652.00	-15%
2005	679.00	-11%
2006	543.00	-29%
2007	505.00	-34%
2008	450.00	-41%
2009	344.20	-55%
2010	312.20	-59%
2011	275.70	-64%
2012	246.30	-68%
2013	226.50	-70%
2014	219.20	-71%
2015	225.80	-70%
2016	225.80	-70%
2017	224.00	-71%
2018	201.00	-74%

* 1994 vs. succeeding years



Source: MD UCR 1994 – 2017

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VEHICLE THEFT

Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force Operations
Baltimore Regional Auto Theft Team (R.A.T.T.)

Vehicle Theft Statistics

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Baltimore County	3,418	3,297	3,491	3,341	2,936	3,024	3,429	3,332	2,878	2,443	1,880	1,710	1,572	1,463	1,499	1,770	2,070	2.029	1,847
Baltimore City	7,871	8,199	6,574	6,874	6,731	6,232	6,262	5,686	5,508	4,632	4,421	4,207	3,987	4,462	4,504	5,541	5,336	5,184	4,389
TOTAL	11,289	11,496	10,065	10,215	9,667	9,256	9,691	9,018	8,386	7,075	6,301	5,917	5,559	5,925	6,003	7,311	7,406	7,213	6,236

Source: MD UCR 2000 – 2018

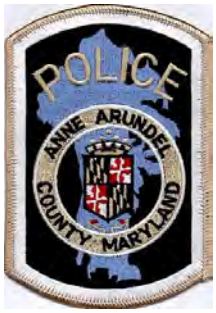
Regional Auto Theft Team Accomplishments

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Totals
Adults Arrested	1,053	913	933	845	923	872	851	768	772	606	625	499	431	324	423	533	548	517	527	511	13,474
Juveniles Arrested	156	188	171	189	135	154	134	124	138	78	66	49	44	65	72	101	100	163	257	169	2,553
Total Arrests	1209	1101	1104	1034	1058	1026	985	892	910	684	691	548	475	389	495	634	648	680	784	680	16,027
Recovered Vehicles	905	816	864	753	828	960	1,251	1,209	1,187	922	784	796	865	861	742	1,031	994	1,177	1,191	1,745	19,881
UCR*	6.05	5.42	5.79	5.12	5.47	5.93	8.32	8.17	8.01	6.00	4.82	4.85	5.21	5.14	4.83	6.21	7.63	9.07	10.01	14.67	136.71

* $ in Millions based on average value of stolen vehicles

Historical UCR Values per Stolen Vehicle:

2018	$8,407.00	2013	$5,972.00	2008	$6,751.00	2003	$6.797.00
2017	$7,708.00	2012	$6,019.00	2007	$6,755.00	2002	$6,701.00
2016	$7,680.00	2011	$6,089.00	2006	$6.649.00	2001	$6,646.00
2015	$6,019.00	2010	$6,152.00	2005	$6,173.00	2000	$6,682.00
2014	$6,505.00	2009	$6,505.00	2004	$6,604.00		



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VEHICLE THEFT

Washington Area Vehicle Enforcement (WAVE) Auto Theft Task Force

Unit Accomplishments Since 2003

General Statistics:	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	Total
Subjects Arrested:	650	546	662	612	383	425	328	131	79	165	107	152	295	265	287	265	175	5,527.0
Stolen Vehicles																		
Recovered:	560	523	579	1,278	872	1,048	763	468	404	444	379	491	587	657	540	536	491	10,620.0
Stolen Tags																		
Recovered:	55	92	153	187	95	86	101	48	10	19	22	22	34	34	24	20	21	1,023.0
Firearms Seized:	34	20	31	10	11	24	6	1	14	15	21	11	17	15	6	24	16	276.0
Amount of Heroin																		
Seized (g):	34	23	44.6	2.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	104.1
Amount of Cocaine																		
Seized (g):	209	161.9	236.6	33.9	30.4	39.7	29.6	3.3	6.2	22.8	51.7	460.1	145.1	12.9	15.5	91.6	118.0	1,668.3
Amount of Marijuana																		
Seized (g):	1,872.7	410.9	361.4	17.3	127.4	54.8	106.7	170.2	164.2	324.8	6,439.6	448.8	3,649.1	269.3	9,239.2	5,886.2	630.3	30,172.9
Amount of Ecstacy																		
Seized (pills):										2	114	4	361	34	0	0	0	515.0
Felony Warrants																		
Served:	58	39	81	41	21	62	24	20	87	43	46	37	60	40	69	66	27	821.0
Misdemeanor																		
Warrants Served:	22	27	26	29	26	40	28	29	5	24	10	27	15	21	30	36	7	402.0
Carjacked Vehicles																		
Recovered w/Arrest:	48	25	39	58	43	30	25	10	3	11	7	13	23	20	6	6	3	370.0
Vin Inspections						398	400	509	1,140	1,649	978	899	1,504	6,572	1,610	2,246	3,314	21,219.0
Business Inspections						23	43	57	43	64	39	21	16	22	22	31	35	416.0
Search Warrants						5	11	18	54	95	84	45	59	54	51	45	110	631.0
Total Value of																		
Vehicles Recovered																		
($ in Millions):	6.570	6.309	6.999	13.318	9.315	10.014	5.100	3.100	4.200	5.519	5.862	6.929	9.536	9.341	8.497	9.021	8.139	127.769

APPENDIX D

GRANT RECIPIENTS

Summary of Grant Recipients for Fiscal Year 2020

Law Enforcement

Annapolis Police Department
Auto Larceny Education Reduces Thefts
A highly motivated public education and awareness program directed at preventing and deterring vehicle theft and theft from vehicles.
FY 2020 Award: $21,000

Anne Arundel County Police Department
Vehicle Theft Investigation, Prevention, Education, and Recovery (VIPER)
A comprehensive vehicle theft investigation, prevention, education, and recovery project to effectively reduce the serious vehicle theft activity in the county.
FY 2020 Award: $60,000

Baltimore County Police Department (RATT)
Cracking Down on Auto Theft
Provides vehicle theft prevention and educational training, identifies repeat offenders, enhances prosecution, and establishes a multi-jurisdictional vehicle theft investigative task force with the Baltimore City Police Department and the Maryland State Police.
FY 2020 Award: $380,000
Award includes both Auto Theft Reduction through Crime Analysis and Cracking Down on Auto Theft programs.

Charles County Sheriff's Office
Vehicle Theft Project
Provides for a dedicated vehicle theft investigator, vehicle theft investigative training, and aggressive community prevention and education program.
FY 2020 Award: $30,000

Department of Maryland State Police
Theft Reduction, Enforcement & Support
Provision of vehicle theft investigation and technical assistance to local law enforcement agencies, statewide vehicle theft enforcement program.
FY 2020 Award: $140,000

Harford County Sheriff's Office
Theft Reduction, Enforcement & Support
A comprehensive vehicle theft investigation, prevention, education, and recovery project to effectively reduce the serious vehicle theft activity in the county.
FY 2020 Award: $20,000

Howard County Department of Police
Howard County Interagency Collaboration on Vehicle Theft Reduction
The formation of an interagency team dedicated to vehicle theft reduction by maximizing prevention, investigation, and prosecution efforts.
FY 2020 Award: $65,000

Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA)
Stolen & Uninsured Vehicle Initiative
Target vehicle theft through the use of technology and relationships with established auto theft units.
FY 2020 Award: $96,000

Montgomery County Police Department
Vehicle Theft Enforcement and Prevention Project
Implements a task-force approach to vehicle theft by creating a centralized vehicle theft investigative unit, encouraging prevention through public education, and proving crime analysis. This grant also provides for a Montgomery County Prosecutor's Office to directly assist police efforts.
FY 2020 Award: $160,000

Prince George's County Police Department - WAVE Team
Vehicle Theft Prevention Initiative
Comprehensive program directed at law enforcement, support and participation in the Washington Area Vehicle Enforcement Team; Analyze stolen and recovered vehicle theft data, public information campaign directed at empowering the role of citizens through "Lockit & Pocket", a Community Prevention Program and enhanced cooperation with prosecutor.
FY 2020 Award: $380,000

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Summary of Grant Recipients for Fiscal Year 2020

Prosecution

Baltimore City State's Attorney's Office

ACARS Conquering Auto Theft Recidivism Soon

Computer tracking and analysis of case prosecution of juvenile vehicle theft offenders and direct support to police efforts.

FY 2020 Award: $51,000

Baltimore County State's Attorney's Office

A Comprehensive Enforcement and Prosecution Project

Intensive prosecution of repeat vehicle theft offenders and direct support to police efforts.

FY 2020 Award: $120,000

Prince George's County State's Attorney's Office

Aggressive Auto Theft Prosecution: Applying Resources and Getting Results

Program directed at aggressive prosecution to improve conviction rates for adults and juveniles charged with vehicle theft and to get higher sentencing for convicted offenders.

FY 2020 Award: $90,000

Juvenile

Community Conferencing Center

Building Community Conferencing as an Effective Intervention for Juvenile Theft

Unique community justice intervention that includes victims, offenders, and their respective supporters in deciding how to best resolve the incident. Project targets young people who steal cars for the first time. Community conferencing helps offenders to understand the impact of their behavior which has shown to decrease the likelihood that it will happen again.

FY 2020 Award: $30,000

Community Prevention

Maryland Community Crime Prevention Institute

Vehicle Theft Prevention Public Awareness Support

Supports the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council's public awareness campaign through the operation of the toll free hotline (1-800-96-THEFT) and distribution of brochures and other educational materials.

FY 2020 Award: $22,000

Northwest Citizens Patrol

Vehicle Theft Prevention Project

Promotes education and crime prevention by focusing on both offenders and vehicle owners. Tactics include educating vehicle owners through marketing and community seminars and deterring offenders through aggressive cooperation with prosecutors and delaying parole of offenders.

FY 2020 Award: $30,000

Olde Mill Foundation

Auto Theft/Prevention/ Education and Information Initiative

Vehicle theft prevention program at the grassroots community level. Coordination with community police officers and juvenile intervention prior to the offense.

FY 2020 Award: $25,000

Public Awareness

Vehicle Theft Prevention Council

Public Awareness Campaign

Promotes action to lower rates of auto theft statewide by establishing the best possible media themes and methods to increase public awareness and to educate citizens in vehicle theft prevention measures.

FY 2020 Award: $49,000

Miscellaneous

Industry Merged with Police Against Car Theft (IMPACT)

Provides Basic, Advanced and Certification Training for Law Enforcement and Auto Insurance Special Investigation Units

FY 2020 Award: $40,000

Washington College

Collect, analyze, and map data to better understand and develop strategies to reduce vehicle theft in Maryland.

FY 2020 Award: $60,000

APPENDIX E

GRANT RECIPIENTS

Grant Award Analysis by Jurisdiction for Fiscal Years 2017, 2018, 2019 and 2020

	FISCAL YEAR 2017 $1,851,135.00 AWARDED	FISCAL YEAR 2018 $1,852,500.00 AWARDED	FISCAL YEAR 2019 $1,869,000.00 AWARDED	FISCAL YEAR 2020 $1,869,000.00 AWARDED
ANNE ARUNDEL				
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY POLICE DEPT	$60,000.00	$60,000.00	$60,000.00	$60,000.00
ANNAPOLIS CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT	$20,500.00	$21,000.00	$21,000.00	$21,000.00
TOTAL	$80,500.00	$81,000.00	$81,000.00	$81,000.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	4.35%	4.37%	4.33%	4.33%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	4.49%	4.92%	4.92%	5.66%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	10.99%	10.99%	10.99%	11.27%
BALTIMORE CITY				
BALTIMORE CITY STATE'S ATTORNEY	$50,000.00	$51,000.00	$51,000.00	$51,000.00
COMMUNITY CONFERENCING CENTER	$20,000.00	$20,000.00	$30,000.00	$30,000.00
NORTHWEST CITIZENS PATROL GROUP [1]	$30,000.00	$30,000.00	$30,000.00	$30,000.00
TOTAL	$100,000.00	$101,000.00	$111,000.00	$111,000.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	5.40%	5.40%	5.94%	5.94%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	38.54%	38.25%	38.25%	36.14%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	6.49%	6.49%	6.49%	6.01%
BALTIMORE COUNTY				
BALTIMORE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT [2]	$365,000.00	$350,000.00	$350,000.00	$380,000.00
BALTIMORE COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY	$115,000.00	$120,000.00	$120,000.00	$120,000.00
TOTAL	$480,000.00	$470,000.00	$470,000.00	$500,000.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	25.93%	25.37%	25.15%	26.75%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	14.97%	14.97%	14.97%	15.21%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	13.83%	13.83%	13.83%	13.74%
CHARLES COUNTY				
CHARLES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	$20,000.00	$30,000.00	$30,000.00	$30,000.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	1.35%	1.62%	1.61%	1.61%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	1.21%	1.21%	1.21%	1.42%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	2.98%	2.98%	2.98%	3.02%
HARFORD COUNTY				
HARFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	$32,635.00	$30,000.00	$29,000.00	$20,000.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	1.76%	1.62%	1.55%	1.07%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	0.65%	0.62%	0.62%	1.18%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	4.87%	4.87%	4.87%	4.88%

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GRANT RECIPIENTS

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	FISCAL YEAR 2017 $1,851,135.00 AWARDED	FISCAL YEAR 2018 $1,852,500.00 AWARDED	FISCAL YEAR 2019 $1,869,000.00 AWARDED	FISCAL YEAR 2020 $1,869,000.00 AWARDED
HOWARD COUNTY				
HOWARD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT	$147,000.00	$125,000.00	$105,000.00	$65,000.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	7.94%	6.74%	5.62%	3.48%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	2.21%	2.63%	2.63%	2.10%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	5.32%	5.32%	5.32%	5.42%
MONTGOMERY COUNTY				
MONTGOMERY COUNTY POLICE DEPT	$165,000.00	$165,000.00	$170,000.00	$160,000.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	8.91%	8.91%	9.10%	8.56%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	6.30%	6.11%	6.11%	6.45%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	15.66%	15.66%	15.66%	15.50%
PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY				
PRINCE GEORGE'S CO. POLICE DEPT	$330,000.00	$350,000.00	$350,000.00	$380,000.00
PRINCE GEORGE'S CO. S/A OFFICE	$90,000.00	$90,000.00	$90,000.00	$90,000.00
OLDE MILL FOUNDATION	$22,000.00	$22,000.00	$25,000.00	$25,000.00
TOTAL	$442,000.00	$462,000.00	$465,000.00	$495,000.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	23.88%	24.93%	24.88%	26.48%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	24.34%	23.27%	23.27%	23.96%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	13.71%	13.71%	13.71%	13.87%
MARYLAND STATE AGENCIES				
MD STATE POLICE - Auto Theft Unit	$131,000.00	$136,000.00	$136,000.00	$140,000.00
MD COMMUNITY CRIME PREV. INST.	$22,000.00	$22,000.00	$22,000.00	$22,000.00
VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION COUNCIL (PUBLIC AWARENESS COMMITTEE)	$34,000.00	$35,000.00	$48,000.00	$49,000.00
MD MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION	$96,000.00	$96,000.00	$96,000.00	$96,000.00
TOTAL	$274,000.00	$289,000.00	$302,000.00	$307,000.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	14.80%	15.60%	16.16%	16.43%
MISCELLANEOUS				
INDUSTRY MERGED WITH POLICE AGAINST CAR THEFT (IMPACT)	$37,000.00	$37,000.00	$40,000.00	$40,000.00
WASHINGTON COLLEGE	$68,000.00	$62,500.00	$66,000.00	$60,000.00
TOTAL	$105,000.00	$99,500.00	$106,000.00	$100,000.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	5.67%	5.37%	5.67%	5.35%

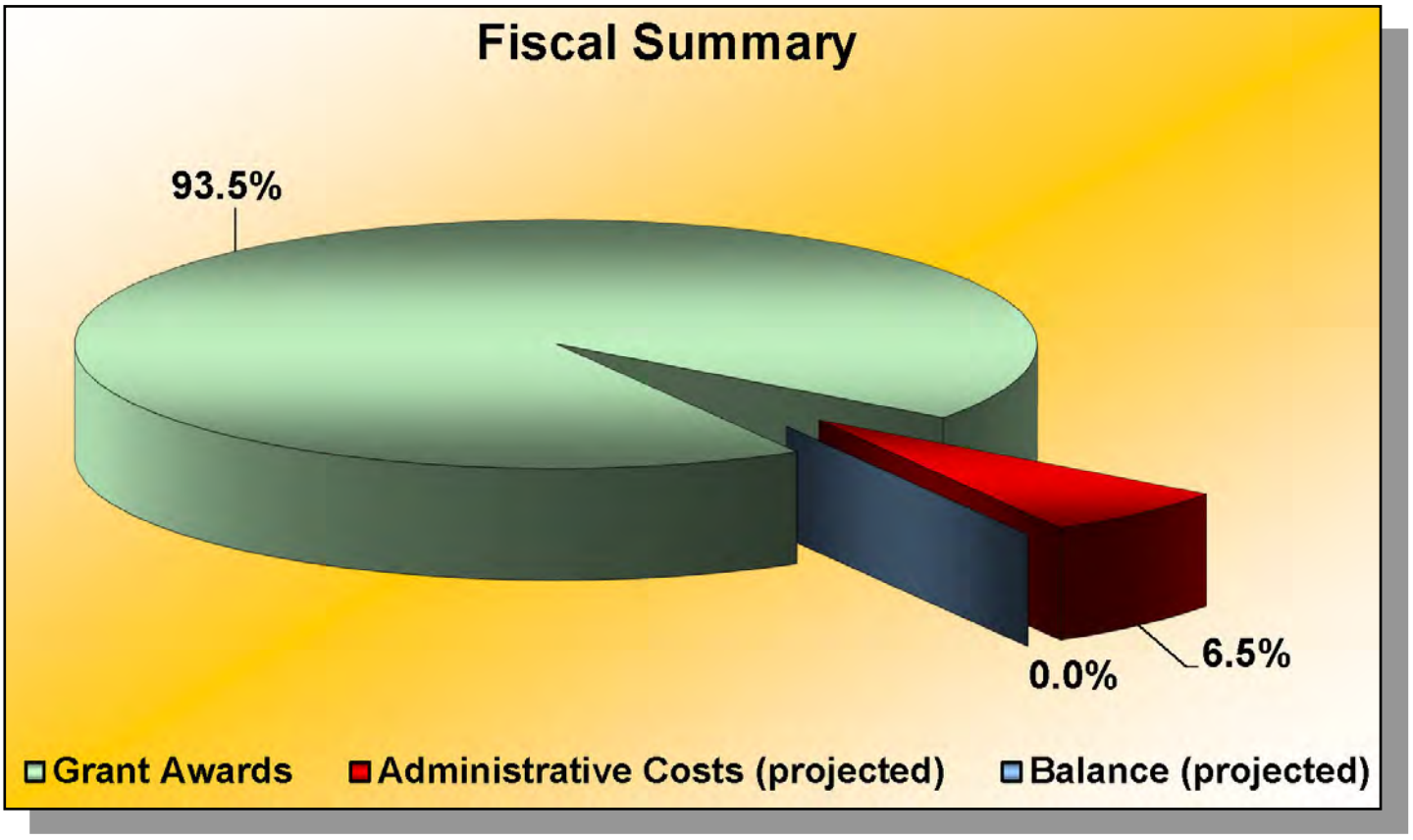
[1] GRANT MONIES AWARDED TO COMMUNITY VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTIONS PROGRAMS IN BALTIMORE CITY.
[2] INCLUDES GRANT MONIES TO SUPPORT THE BALTIMORE CITY/BALTIMORE CO. COMBINED REGIONAL AUTO THEFT TEAM (R.A.T.T.)

APPENDIX F

FISCAL SUMMARY

Vehicle Theft Prevention Council
Fiscal Year 2019 (July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019)

Funding Available	**$2,000,000**
Grant Awards	**$1,869,000**
Administrative Costs (Projected)	**$130,830**
Total Disbursement (Projected)	**$1,999,830**
Balance (Projected)	**$170**



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JURISDICTION DATA

Percentages by Jurisdiction
Fiscal Year 2019 (July 1, 2018 - June 30, 2019)

JURISDICTION	Registered Vehicles CY2018	% of Total Registered Vehicles	Total 2018 Vehicle Theft	Jurisdiction's % of Total Thefts in State	% of Registered Vehicles Stolen
Allegany County	60,470	1.18%	57	0.47%	0.09%
Anne Arundel County	579,429	11.27%	688	5.66%	0.12%
Baltimore County	706,528	13.74%	1,847	15.21%	0.26%
Calvert County	93,730	1.82%	48	0.40%	0.05%
Caroline County	43,157	0.84%	18	0.15%	0.04%
Carroll County	182,909	3.56%	93	0.77%	0.05%
Cecil County	97,874	1.90%	140	1.15%	0.14%
Charles County	155,515	3.02%	173	1.42%	0.11%
Dorchester County	32,978	0.64%	25	0.21%	0.08%
Frederick County	252,732	4.92%	107	0.88%	0.04%
Garrett County	32,971	0.64%	15	0.12%	0.05%
Harford County	250,754	4.88%	143	1.18%	0.06%
Howard County	278,471	5.42%	255	2.10%	0.09%
Kent County	22,139	0.43%	2	0.02%	0.01%
Montgomery County	797,054	15.50%	784	6.45%	0.10%
Prince George's County	712,904	13.87%	2,910	23.96%	0.41%
Queen Anne's County	57,756	1.12%	19	0.16%	0.03%
St. Mary's County	114,744	2.23%	76	0.63%	0.07%
Somerset County	21,470	0.42%	10	0.08%	0.05%
Talbot County	44,369	0.86%	10	0.08%	0.02%
Washington County	141,276	2.75%	171	1.41%	0.12%
Wicomico County	93,859	1.83%	103	0.85%	0.11%
Worcester County	59,537	1.16%	34	0.28%	0.06%
Baltimore City	309,125	6.01%	4,389	36.14%	1.42%
Statewide			29	0.24%	
GRAND TOTAL	5,141,751	100.00%	12,146	100.00%	0.24%

*MD MVA

APPENDIX H

VEHICLE THEFT

Maryland Vehicle Thefts
*1994, 1999, 2005, 2015 - 2018

COUNTY	1994	1999	2005	2015	2016	2017	2018	% Change '94-'99	% Change '17-'18	% Change '05-'18	% Change '94-'18
ALLEGANY	75	78	57	49	44	46	57	4%	24%	0%	-24%
ANNE ARUNDEL	1,806	1,418	1,524	629	622	667	688	-21%	3%	-55%	-62%
BALTIMORE CITY	13,603	7,255	6,232	5,541	5,336	5,184	4,389	-47%	-15%	-30%	-68%
BALTIMORE COUNTY	6,289	2,953	3,046	1,770	2,073	2,029	1,847	-53%	-9%	-39%	-71%
CALVERT	48	89	86	37	41	57	48	85%	-16%	-44%	0%
CAROLINE	38	65	51	18	27	34	18	71%	-47%	-65%	-53%
CARROLL	169	165	170	52	65	82	93	-2%	13%	-45%	-45%
CECIL	160	153	278	123	153	143	140	-4%	-2%	-50%	-13%
CHARLES	435	272	627	207	167	182	173	-37%	-5%	-72%	-60%
DORCESTER	47	53	77	51	41	70	25	13%	-64%	-68%	-47%
FREDERICK	258	252	197	110	118	104	107	-2%	3%	-46%	-59%
GARRETT	32	25	19	9	14	10	15	-22%	50%	-21%	-53%
HARFORD	403	359	359	108	90	84	143	-11%	70%	-60%	-65%
HOWARD	1,157	704	544	208	306	357	255	-39%	-29%	-53%	-78%
KENT	17	17	24	3	6	6	2	0%	-67%	-92%	-88%
MONTGOMERY	3,370	2,667	2,671	768	872	828	784	-21%	-5%	-71%	-77%
PRINCE GEORGE'S	9,477	8,619	17,242	3,431	3,371	3,154	2,910	-9%	-8%	-83%	-69%
QUEEN ANNE'S	39	61	48	21	16	21	19	56%	-10%	-60%	-51%
SAINT MARY'S	70	75	142	69	71	50	76	7%	52%	-46%	9%
SOMERSET	29	36	27	11	13	17	10	24%	-41%	-63%	-66%
TALBOT	54	43	26	14	14	14	10	-20%	-29%	-62%	-81%
WASHINGTON	152	258	261	175	227	230	171	70%	-26%	-34%	13%
WICOMICO	231	218	205	96	96	114	103	-6%	-10%	-50%	-55%
WORCESTER	121	120	101	28	32	39	34	-1%	-13%	-66%	-72%
STATEWIDE	114	112	56	36	32	31	29	-2%	-6%	-48%	-75%
MARYLAND	38,194	26,067	34,070	13,564	13,847	13,553	12,146	-32%	-10%	-64%	-68%

Jurisdictions receiving Vehicle Theft Prevention Council assistance.

The Vehicle Theft Prevention Council and Vehicle Theft Prevention Fund was established in 1994
The first Vehicle Theft Prevention Grants were awarded in 1995. Here are the effects:

Vehicle Thefts:

1994	2018	Variance		Economic Savings*
38,194	12,146	-26,048	-68%	$218,985,536.00

*2018 UCR Value

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VEHICLE THEFT

National Vehicle Thefts Totals
1994, 2013 - 2018

	2018	Totals	2017	Totals	2016	Totals	2015	Totals	2014	Totals	2013	Totals	1994	Totals
1	CA	155,211	CA	168,391	CA	176,756	CA	170,993	CA	151,852	CA	165,292	CA	308,205
2	TX	69,817	TX	68,041	TX	69,056	TX	67,485	TX	68,546	TX	65,745	NY	128,873
3	FL	41,165	FL	42,914	FL	43,135	FL	40,661	FL	42,579	FL	34,912	FL	127,186
4	WA	27,677	WA	28,796	WA	32,286	WA	26,867	WA	30,647	WA	28,399	TX	110,753
5	GA	24,760	GA	26,263	GA	26,801	GA	26,482	GA	26,854	GA	26,826	IL	66,218
6	CO	21,673	CO	21,861	MI	20,176	IL	17,652	MI	21,157	MI	24,567	MI	62,304
7	TN	20,439	IL	20,881	IL	19,910	OH	17,229	OH	18,015	IL	20,933	PA	54,153
8	OH	19,909	OH	20,253	OH	19,667	MO	16,999	AZ	17,587	OH	19,532	NJ	52,164
9	MO	19,815	MO	19,921	CO	19,611	AZ	16,785	IL	17,451	AZ	17,438	OH	47,413
10	IL	19,593	MI	19,573	AZ	18,421	CO	16,000	MO	16,357	MO	16,325	AZ	43,467
11	AZ	19,139	AZ	19,058	MO	18,295	MI	15,764	NY	15,736	NY	15,482	MA	42,348
12	NC	17,632	TN	18,524	NC	15,306	NY	15,313	IN	13,861	NC	14,606	GA	39,312
13	MI	17,451	OR	17,140	TN	15,119	**MD**	**13,564**	NC	13,630	IN	14,204	**MD**	**38,194**
14	OR	16,556	NC	15,798	IN	14,731	IN	13,519	**MD**	**13,146**	PA	13,770	TN	28,994
15	IN	15,328	IN	15,401	NY	14,392	NC	13,435	PA	13,040	NJ	13,747	WA	28,743
16	SC	14,332	SC	14,257	SC	13,920	SC	12,970	SC	12,902	**MD**	**13,418**	MO	27,038
17	OK	13,289	**MD**	**13,568**	**MD**	**13,847**	TN	12,870	TN	12,599	SC	12,580	LA	26,219
18	NY	13,137	NY	13,410	OR	13,193	PA	12,134	CO	12,574	CO	12,533	IN	25,011
19	PA	13,116	PA	12,985	NV	13,180	NJ	11,778	NJ	11,705	TN	11,828	OR	21,764
20	AL	13,112	AL	12,841	PA	13,047	NV	11,351	OK	10,583	OK	11,214	NC	21,342
21	**MD**	**12,137**	NV	12,812	OK	12,155	WI	10,985	NV	10,185	AL	10,571	CT,	20,167
22	NV	11,904	OK	12,251	NM	11,743	OR	10,547	AL	10,141	NV	9,998	WI	18,321
23	LA	11,536	NJ	12,170	AL	11,723	OK	10,450	WI	9,919	OR	9,862	VA	18,289
24	NJ	11,037	NM	11,772	NJ	11,328	AL	10,335	LA	9,891	LA	9,160	OK	15,461
25	VA	10,778	LA	10,962	LA	10,339	LA	9,741	OR	9,549	MA	9,122	CO	14,365
26	KY	10,261	KY	10,244	WI	9,958	UT	8,707	MN	8,367	VA	8,536	MN	14,355
27	NM	10,179	VA	10,172	KY	9,886	NM	8,526	MA	8,260	MN	7,966	AL	14,000
28	MN	10,128	MN	9,979	VA	9,788	VA	8,111	VA	7,665	UT	7,465	SC	13,184
29	WI	8,634	UT	9,529	UT	9,388	MA	8,069	UT	7,298	WI	7,388	NV	11,065
30	KA	7,844	WI	9,468	MN	8,728	MN	7,981	KA	6,906	KS	6,641	MS	10,810
31	UT	7,728	KA	7,846	MA	8,058	KY	7,782	KY	6,318	CT	6,222	KY	8,558
32	CT	7,383	MA	7,540	AR	7,155	KA	6,957	NM	6,290	KY	6,032	KS	8,383
33	AR	7,113	CT	7,309	CT	7,107	CT	6,338	CT	6,110	NM	5,905	NM	8,350
34	MA	6,606	AR	7,253	KA	6,937	HI	5,779	AR	5,601	AR	5,678	DC	8,261
35	HI	5,649	IA	5,579	HI	5,654	AR	5,772	PR	4,639	PR	5,530	AR	7,726
36	NE	4,874	HI	5,269	IA	4,983	IA	4,342	MS	4,519	NE	4,463	HI	6,383
37	IA	4,687	NE	5,203	NE	4,725	MS	4,243	NE	4,455	MS	4,388	NE	6,236
38	MS	4,300	MS	4,631	MS	4,324	PR	4,074	IA	4,151	IA	4,246	UT	5,689
39	AK	3,996	AK	4,258	PR	3,787	NE	4,001	HI	3,879	HI	3,684	RI	5,183
40	PR	3,707	PR	3,594	AK	3,057	DC	3,264	DC	3,783	DC	3,234	IA	5,096
41	MT	2,796	WV	3,002	DC	2,973	MT	2,418	MT	2,043	RI	2,233	AK	3,275
42	DC	2,593	MT	2,592	MT	2,743	WV	2,239	WV	1,896	WV	1,916	WV	3,274
43	WV	2,519	DC	2,587	WV	2,509	AK	2,046	RI	1,833	MT	1,850	DE	2,945
44	ID	1,964	ID	2,146	ID	2,077	ID	1,871	AK	1,739	AK	1,695	MT	2,450
45	ND	1,775	ND	1,773	ND	1,964	ND	1,583	ID	1,661	ID	1,536	NH	2,302
46	RI	1,531	RI	1,483	RI	1,596	RI	1,389	ND	1,514	ND	1,416	ID	2,210
47	SD	1,524	SD	1,383	DE	1,520	SD	1,188	DE	1,267	DE	1,332	ME	1,776
48	DE	1,476	DE	1,369	SD	1,502	DE	1,181	SD	1,007	NH	940	ND	964
49	NH	869	NH	915	NH	871	NH	891	NH	857	SD	938	SD	872
50	WY	839	ME	793	WY	800	ME	814	ME	799	ME	914	VT	862
51	ME	777	WY	779	ME	775	WY	592	WY	603	WY	578	WY	771
52	VT	253	VT	194	VT	282	VT	178	VT	244	VT	334	PR	

Source: Maryland UCR (2018 Preliminary)

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VEHICLE THEFT

Vehicle Theft Rate Per 100,000 Residents
1994, 2013 - 2018

2018	RATE	2017	RATE	2016	RATE	2015	RATE	2014	RATE	2013	RATE	1994	RATE
AK	541.9	AK	575.6	NM	564.3	DC	485.5	DC	574.1	DC	500.3	DC	1449.3
NM	485.8	NM	563.8	CA	450.3	CA	436.8	WA	434.0	CA	431.2	AZ	1066.7
HI	397.7	NV	427.3	NV	448.3	NM	408.9	CA	391.3	WA	407.4	CA	980.6
OR	395.1	CA	425.9	WA	443.0	HI	403.7	NV	358.7	NV	358.3	FL	911.5
CA	392.4	OR	413.7	DC	436.5	NV	392.7	NM	301.6	OK	291.2	**MD**	**763.0**
NV	392.3	CO	389.9	AK	412.1	WA	374.7	HI	273.3	NM	283.2	NV	759.4
CO	380.5	WA	388.8	HI	395.8	CO	293.2	OK	272.9	MO	270.1	NY	709.3
DC	369.1	DC	372.8	CO	354.0	UT	290.6	MO	269.8	GA	268.5	OR	705.2
WA	367.3	HI	369.1	OR	322.3	MO	279.4	SC	267.0	SC	263.5	MA	701.0
OK	337.0	MO	325.9	OK	309.8	AK	277.1	GA	266.0	AZ	263.2	NJ	660.0
MO	323.4	OK	311.7	UT	307.7	OK	267.2	AZ	261.3	HI	262.4	MI	656.1
TN	301.9	UT	307.2	MO	300.3	SC	264.9	TX	254.3	UT	257.3	CT	615.8
SC	281.9	SC	283.8	SC	280.6	OR	261.8	UT	248.0	OR	250.9	LA	607.6
KA	269.4	TN	275.8	AZ	265.8	GA	259.2	OR	240.5	TX	248.6	TX	602.6
AL	268.3	AZ	271.6	MT	263.1	AZ	245.8	KA	237.8	MI	248.3	IL	563.5
AZ	266.9	NE	271.0	GA	259.9	TX	245.7	NE	236.8	NE	238.9	TN	560.3
MT	263.2	KA	269.3	ND	259.1	KA	238.9	AK	236.0	CO	237.9	GA	557.2
NE	252.6	AL	263.4	NE	247.8	MT	234.1	CO	234.8	AK	230.6	HI	541.4
LA	247.6	GA	251.8	TX	247.8	**MD**	**225.8**	**MD**	**219.2**	KA	229.5	AK	540.4
UT	244.5	MT	246.7	AL	241.1	AL	212.7	FL	214.0	**MD**	**226.3**	RI	519.9
TX	243.2	AR	241.4	AR	239.4	NE	211.0	MI	213.5	AL	218.7	MO	512.3
AR	236.0	TX	240.4	KA	238.6	ND	209.1	LA	212.7	IN	216.2	NM	504.8
GA	235.4	ND	234.7	TN	227.3	LA	208.6	IN	210.1	RI	212.4	WA	500.5
ND	233.5	LA	234.0	KY	222.8	IN	204.2	AL	209.1	LA	198.0	OK	474.6
KY	229.6	IN	231.0	IN	222.1	FL	200.6	ND	204.7	ND	195.7	PA	449.3
IN	229.1	KY	230.0	LA	220.8	TN	195.0	MT	199.6	AR	191.9	IN	434.8
CT	206.7	**MD**	**224.2**	FL	209.3	AR	193.8	TN	192.4	MT	182.2	OH	427.1
MD	**200.9**	FL	204.5	MI	203.2	WI	190.3	AR	188.8	TN	182.1	DE	417.1
FL	193.3	CT	203.7	CT	198.7	CT	176.5	RI	173.7	FL	178.6	MS	405.0
MN	180.5	MI	196.5	**MD**	**196.7**	KY	175.9	WI	172.3	CT	173.0	CO	392.9
MI	174.6	MN	178.9	SD	173.6	MI	158.9	CT	169.9	OH	168.8	NE	384.2
SD	172.7	IA	177.4	WI	172.3	OH	148.4	OH	155.4	IL	162.5	WI	360.5
OH	170.3	OH	173.7	OH	169.3	MN	145.4	MN	153.3	NJ	154.5	SC	359.8
NC	169.8	WV	165.3	DE	159.7	MS	141.8	MS	150.9	PR	153.0	AL	331.8
IL	153.8	WI	163.4	IA	159.0	IA	139.0	KY	143.2	NC	148.3	KS	328.2
DE	152.6	IL	163.1	MN	158.1	SD	138.4	NC	137.1	MN	147.0	AR	315.0
IA	148.5	SD	159.0	IL	155.5	IL	137.3	IL	135.5	MS	146.7	MN	314.3
WI	148.5	MS	155.2	RI	151.1	NC	133.8	DE	135.4	DE	143.9	NC	301.9
WY	145.2	NC	153.8	NC	150.8	NJ	131.5	IA	133.6	IA	137.4	UT	298.2
RI	144.8	DE	142.3	MS	144.7	RI	131.5	NJ	131.0	KY	137.2	MT	286.2
MS	144.0	RI	140.0	WV	137.0	DE	124.9	PR	130.7	MA	136.3	VA	279.1
WV	139.5	NJ	135.1	WY	136.6	WV	121.4	MA	122.5	WI`	128.6	KY	223.6
VA	126.5	WY	134.5	NJ	126.6	MA	118.8	SD	118.0	SD	111.0	NH	202.5
NJ	123.9	ID	125.0	ID	123.4	PR	117.3	WY	103.2	PA	107.8	ID	195.1
PR	116.0	VA	120.1	MA	118.3	ID	113.1	WV	102.5	VA	103.3	IA	180.1
ID	112.0	MA	109.9	VA	116.4	WY	101.0	PA	102.0	WV	103.3	WV	179.7
PA	102.4	PR	107.7	PR	111.0	VA	96.8	ID	101.6	WY	99.2	WY	162.0
MA	95.7	PA	101.4	PA	102.1	PA	94.8	VA	92.1	ID	95.3	ND	151.1
NY	67.2	NH	68.1	NY	72.9	NY	77.4	NY	79.7	NY	78.8	VT	148.6
NH	64.1	NY	67.6	NH	65.3	NH	67.0	NH	64.6	NH	71.0	ME	143.2
ME	58.1	ME	59.4	ME	58.2	ME	61.2	ME	60.1	ME	68.8	SD	120.9
VT	40.4	VT	31.1	VT	45.1	VT	28.4	VT	38.9	VT	53.3		

Source: FBI UCR (2018 Preliminary)

FACT:

Materials like these brochures have helped the Maryland Vehicle Theft Prevention Council raise awareness throughout the state.

The key to preventing vehicle theft *is* in *your* hands.

Lock your car.
Take the key.
Use an anti-theft device.
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