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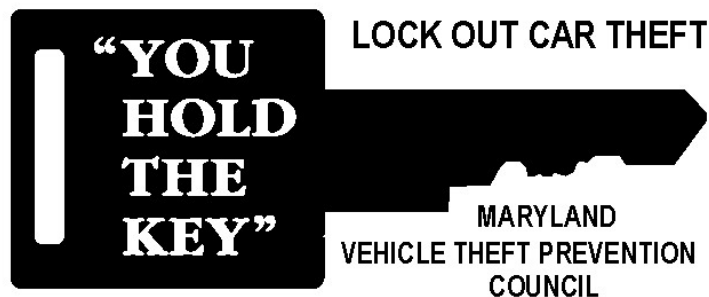
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In the FBI's Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Program, motor vehicle theft is defined as the theft or attempted theft of a motor vehicle. In the UCR Program, a motor vehicle is a self-propelled vehicle that runs on land surfaces and not on rails. Examples 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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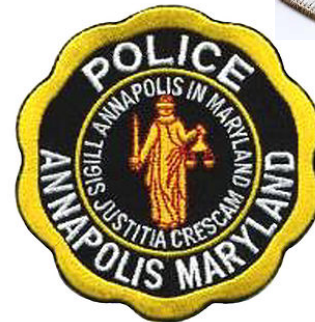
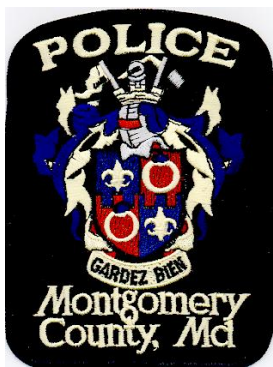
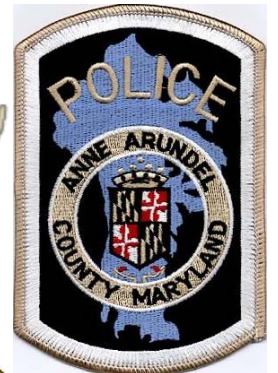
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# A PARTNERSHIP IN LAW ENFORCEMENT



## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Vehicle Theft Prevention Council (Council) is in its 18<sup>th</sup> 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 57% by 2012. Since the Council's inception in 1994, vehicle theft in MD has decreased 62% 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 2012, vehicle theft prevention programs were restored in the County. By the end of 2012, vehicle theft had decreased 72% to a level of 5,092; vehicle thefts in the Washington Region decreased 69%.

### BALTIMORE REGION

The Council's most prominent success has been in the Baltimore Region. In 1994, 55% 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, vehicle theft in those areas has since decreased an average of 72%. The RATT concept was duplicated in the Washington Region in 2005 with similar results.

### 2012 COUNCIL INITIATIVES

In July 2012 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 \$1,663,232. 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 and Howard County. Grant assistance in the Washington Region includes Prince George's County, Montgomery, and Charles Counties.

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 currently approximately 40,000

Maryland motorists 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

The continual decline in Maryland vehicle theft rates strongly suggests that 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.

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awarded 20  
grants in  
2012...for a total  
of \$1.6 million.*



### THE NATURE AND EXTENT OF VEHICLE THEFT IN MARYLAND

After four years of significant increase between 2000 - 2004, Maryland has experienced a 60% 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 2012, thefts had decreased to 14,493, or a 60% decrease over 2003. In economic terms, this decrease is significant. Based on the \$6,700.00 UCR average price of a stolen vehicle, decreases in thefts since 2003 translates to an economic savings of \$146,817,100 to Maryland citizens.

#### 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 by the Baltimore Regional Auto Theft Team (RATT), continues to show that 25-30 percent of recovered stolen vehicles had the key in the car at the time of their recovery.

The Prince George's County Police Department findings: approximately 32% of criminal incident reports surveyed mentioned that the key was found in the recovered vehicle. The Montgomery County Police reported similar findings. 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 threat to Maryland citizens is 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 2012, 71% of the motor vehicle thefts were cars, 14% were trucks and buses, and 16% were other motor vehicles. Motor vehicle thefts

accounted for 9% of property crime and 8% of the crime index. There were 246.3 thefts per 100,000 population.

The 2012 Maryland UCR provided final arrest statistics for vehicle theft. In comparing 2011 to 2012 data, arrests for vehicle theft decreased from 1,900 in 2011 to 1,870 in 2012. The perpetrators, according to the 2012 UCR, were 86% male and 14% female; with 30% being white, 70% African American, and less than 1% Asian or American Indian. 27% of those arrested for vehicle theft were juveniles.

#### LOCATION OF THEFT

Historical data indicate 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 2012, 68% of reported stolen vehicles were recovered at a value of \$54,684,663.

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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.

### 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.

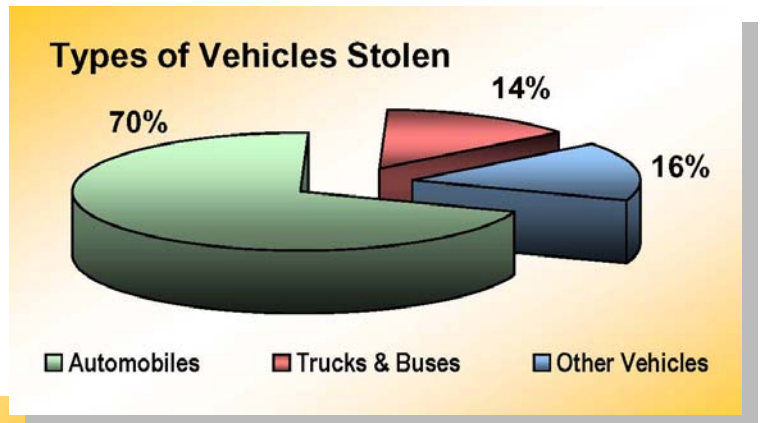
#### Top 10 Stolen in MD    Top 10 Stolen Nationwide

- |                               |                          |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1) Dodge Caravan - 2000       | 1) Honda Accord - 1996   |
| 2) Honda Accord - 1997        | 2) Honda Civic - 1998    |
| 3) Honda Civic - 2000         | 3) Ford Pick-Up* - 2006  |
| 4) Ford Pick-Up* - 2004       | 4) Chevy Pick-Up* - 1999 |
| 5) Toyota Camry - 2007        | 5) Toyota Camry - 1991   |
| 6) Toyota Corolla - 2010      | 6) Dodge Caravan - 2000  |
| 7) Nissan Altima - 2005       | 7) Dodge Pickup* - 2004  |
| 8) Chrysler Twn & Ctry - 2001 | 8) Acura Integra - 1994  |
| 9) Chevy Pick-Up* - 1996      | 9) Nissan Altima - 1997  |
| 10) Plymouth Voyager - 1998   | 10) Nisan Maxima - 1996  |

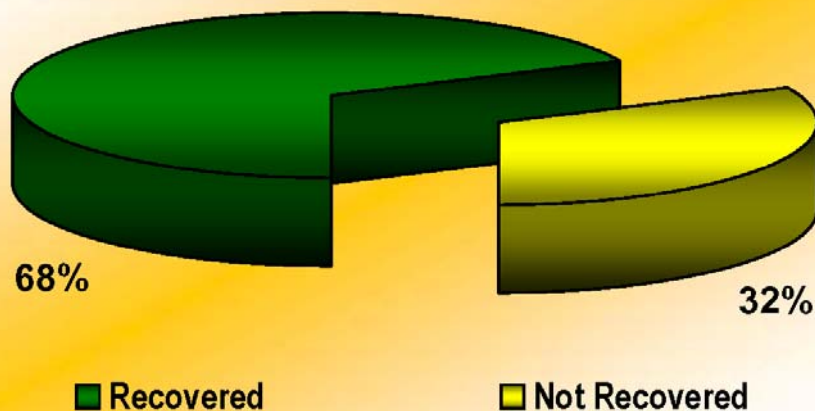
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### MOTOR VEHICLE ROBBERY

In 2012 there were 473 carjackings, a 9% increase over the 435 reported in 2011. 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—2012 vehicle theft decreased 57% 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 2012, vehicle theft decreased 10% and carjacking increased 9% over the previous year.



### Recovered Stolen Vehicles

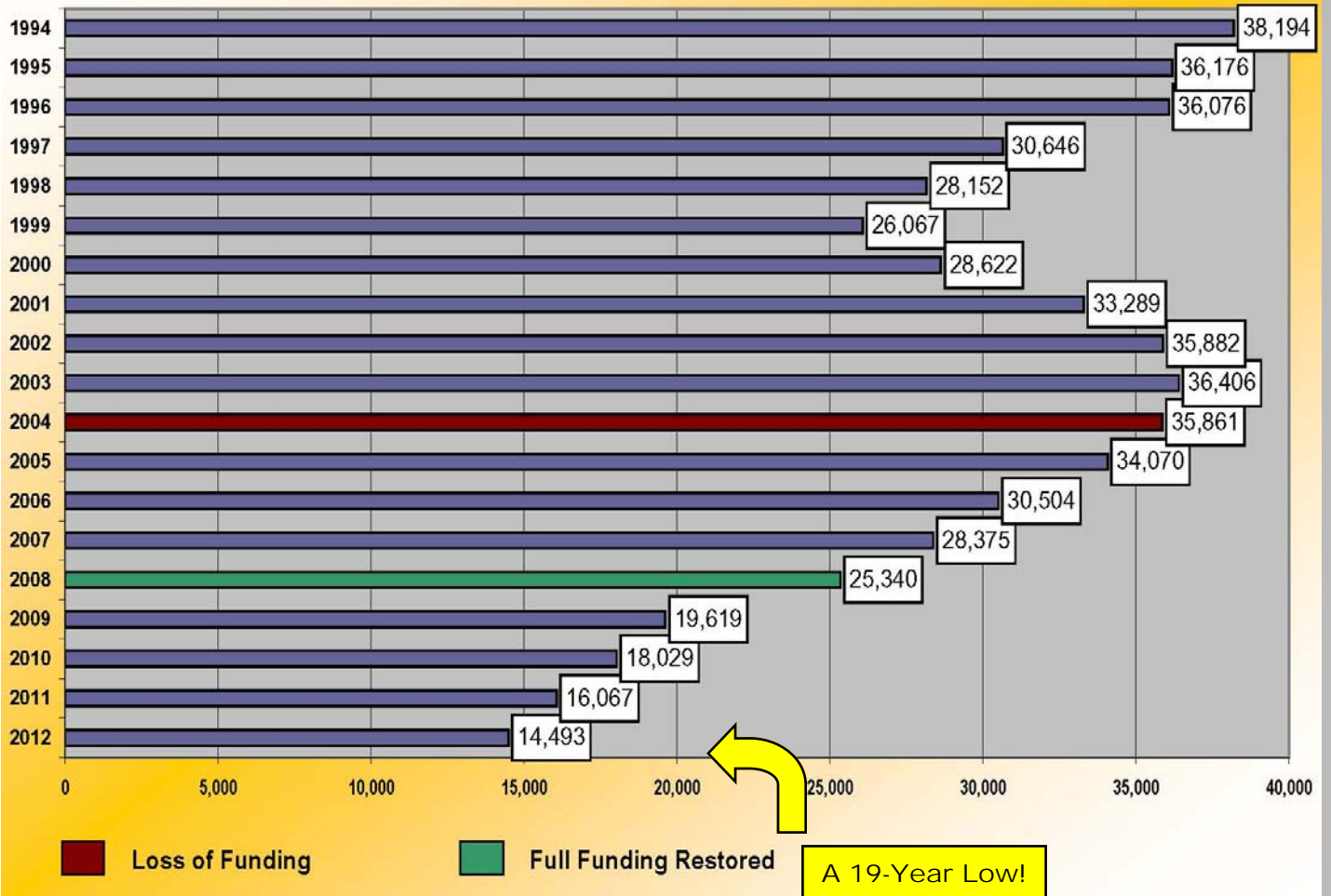


# Consumer Reports®

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

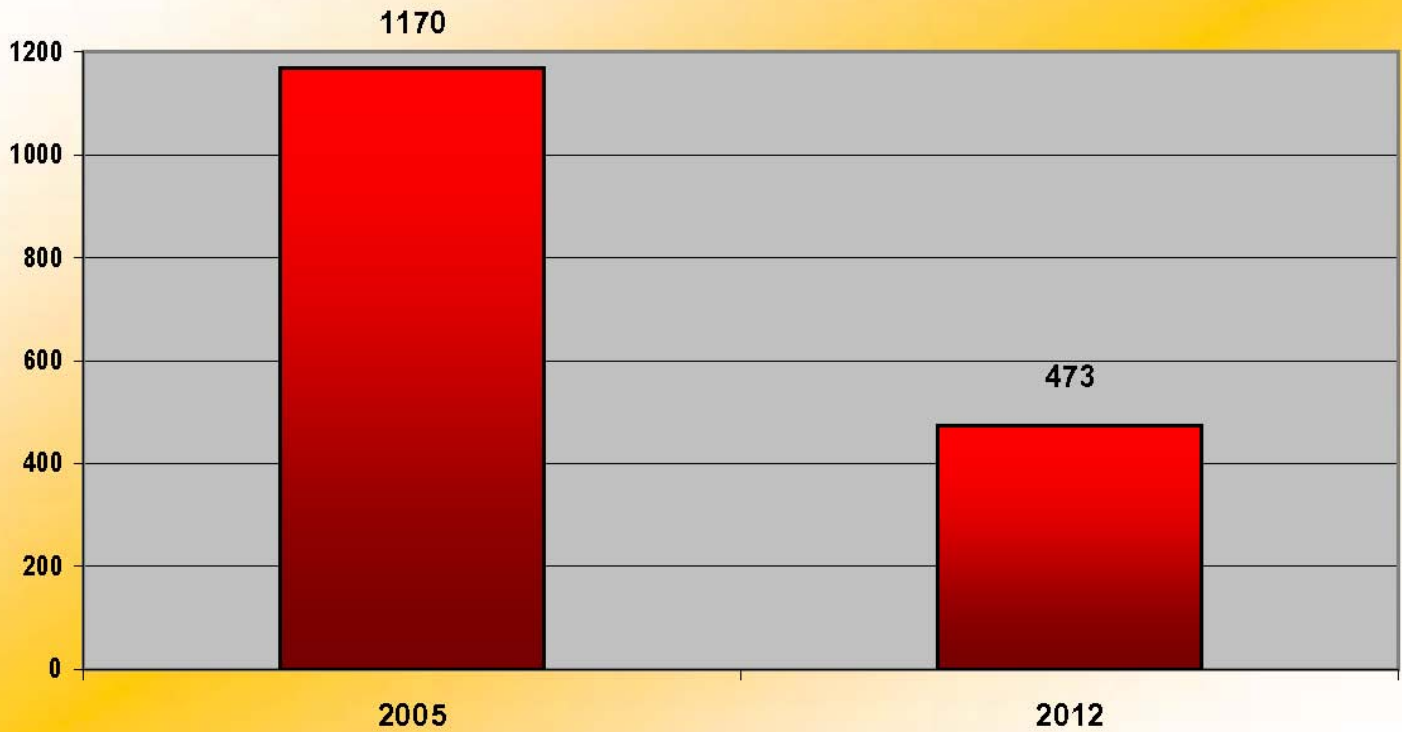
(keys in vehicle / windows down / doors unlocked)

## Maryland Vehicle Theft



**Many stolen vehicles end up like this. The Maryland Vehicle Theft Prevention Council encourages residents to protect their property from theft by employing a "Four Layer Approach"**

## Maryland Carjackings



## 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. A carjacking is a serious and a very dangerous situation. You can replace a car...but the life of every resident of Maryland is precious.

### THE EXTENT OF VEHICLE THEFT

As previously stated, vehicle theft has decreased 60% overall when compared to 2003 data. In the Washington, DC Metropolitan area, vehicle theft decreased 15%. The Baltimore Metropolitan area experienced a 5% decrease. The Baltimore Metro area had seen consistent declines in vehicle theft over the past few years. The Washington Metro area has been struggling, over the past several years to maintain a decline. However, in 2012 Prince George's County had a decrease of 850 stolen vehicles or 14%. Montgomery County had a decrease of 200 vehicles or 16 percent.

As previously stated, the Baltimore Metro area has seen continued decreases in vehicle theft since 1994. The most dramatic decreases can be seen in Baltimore County, Baltimore City and Howard County. These three areas had decreases of 75, 71 and 73 percent, respectively, since the intervention of the Council in 1994. As part of the Baltimore Metro area, Anne Arundel County has experienced a 51% decrease, while Harford County has decreased 49%.

Most non-urban regions of the state experienced decreases in vehicle theft since the inception of the council in 1993. However, the Western Region (Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, and Washington Counties) reported an increase of 22%. The Eastern Shore Region (Caroline, Cecil, Dorchester, Kent, Queen Anne's, Somerset,

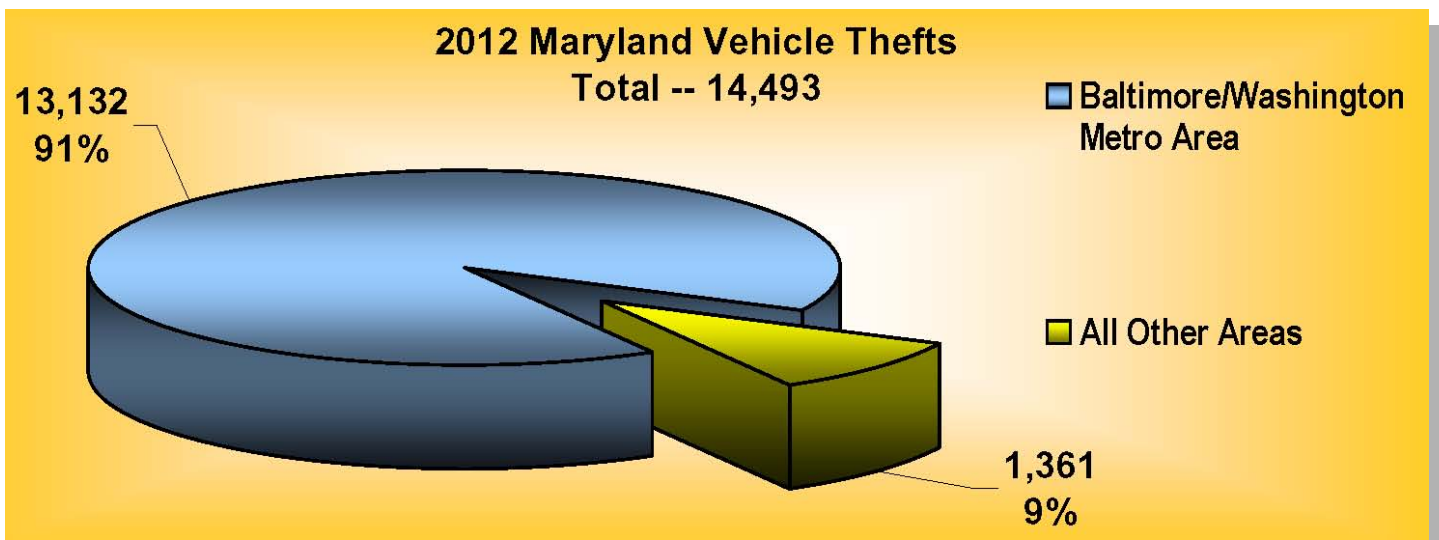
Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties) reported a decrease of 16%. The Southern Region (Calvert, Charles, and St. Mary's Counties) reported a decrease of 16%. Of note is a 44% decline in Kent County, a 42% decline in Talbot County, a 35% decline in St. Mary's County. Also noteworthy is a 53% increase in Allegany County and a 40% increase in Washington County.

### COMPARISON WITH OTHER CRIMES

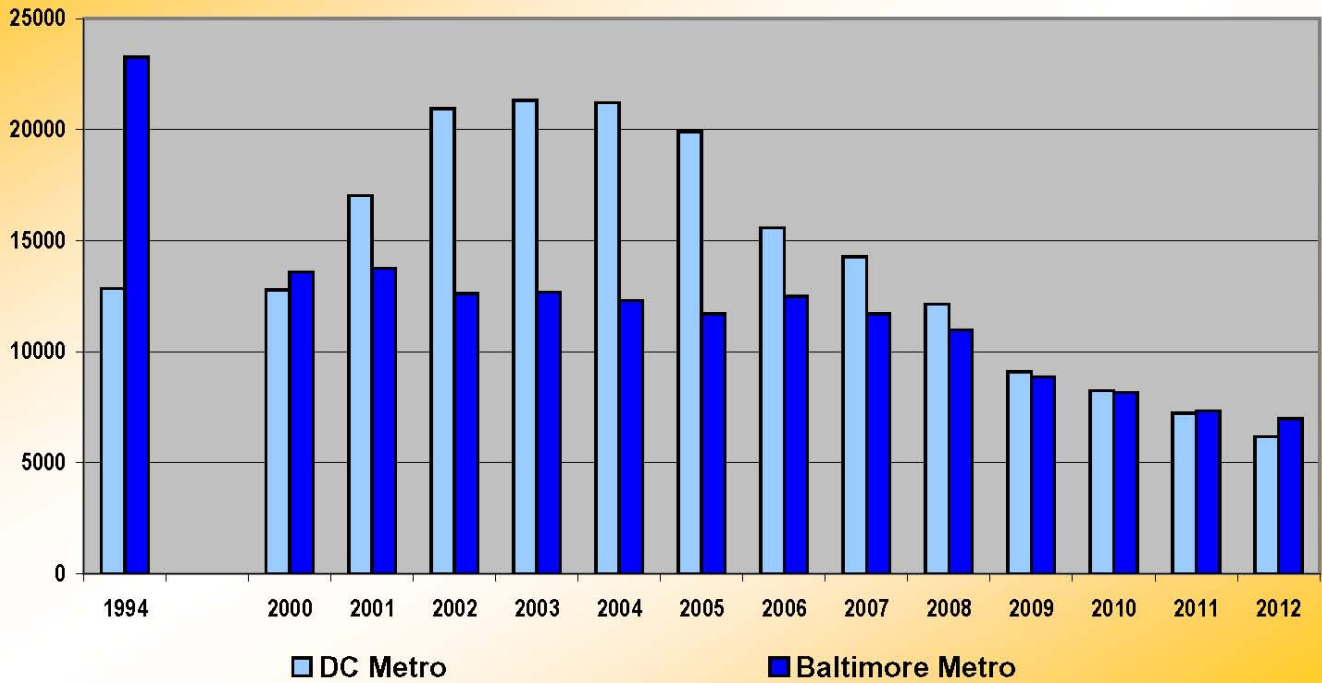
The trends in vehicle theft during 2012 noted here can be compared to other forms of crime. On the whole, crime in Maryland decreased three percent over 2011. For 2012, the vehicle theft rate in Maryland has decreased 11%. Since the Council's first programs were implemented in 1994, the motor vehicle theft rate has declined 68 percent (per 100,000 population.). The most significant declines in crime since 1994 has been motor vehicle theft. The overall crime rate in Maryland has declined 47%, whereas the motor vehicle theft rate in Maryland has declined 68%.

### CONCLUSION

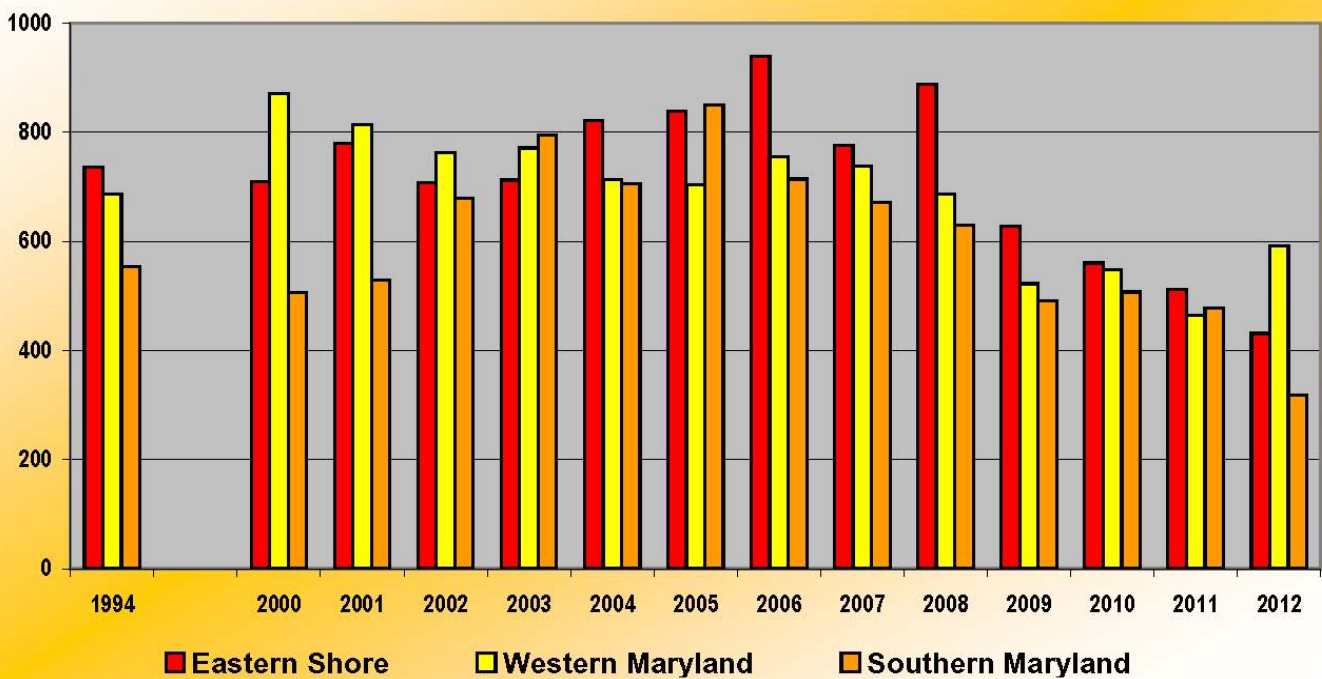
Although on the decline, vehicle theft continues to be a problem for Maryland, Research has shown that vehicle thefts are committed in concert with other related crimes. As vehicle thefts decline, the opportunity to commit other related crimes also decreases.



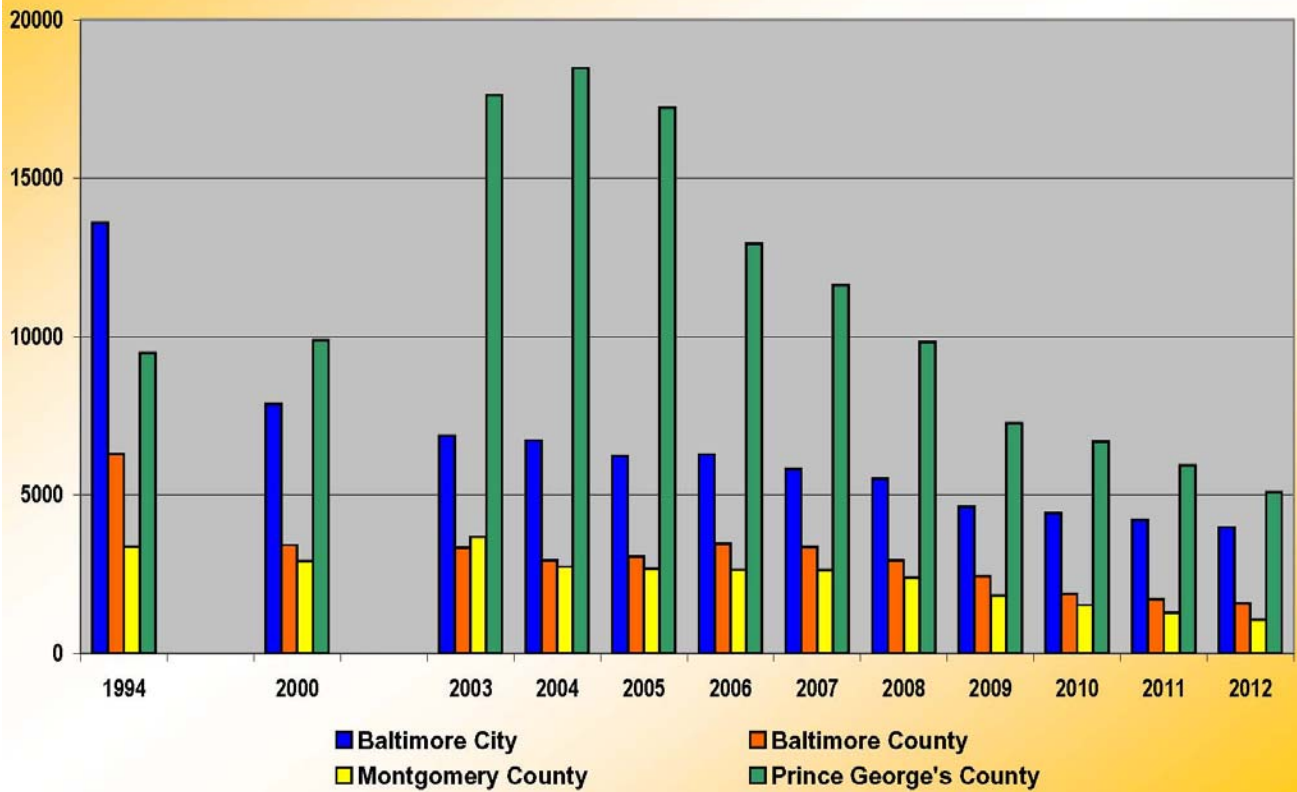
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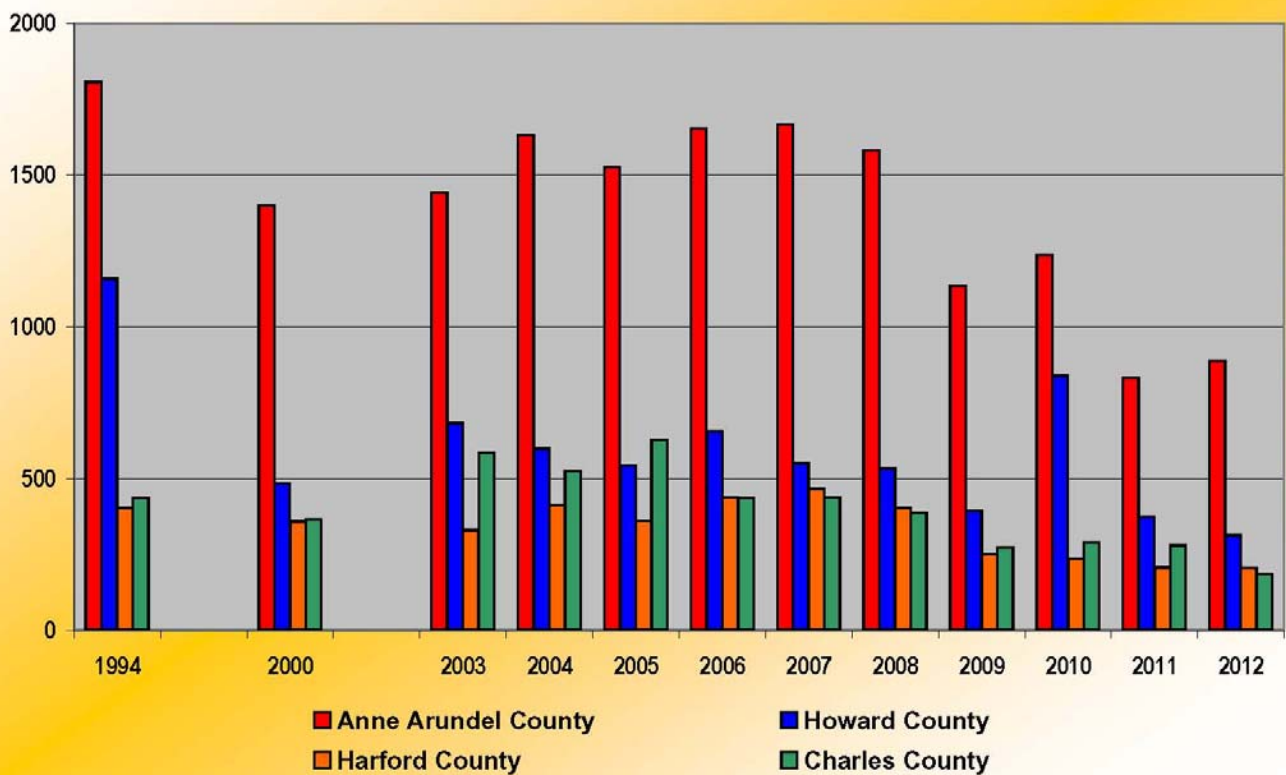
### Non-Urban Theft



## Maryland Jurisdictional Vehicle Theft



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### 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 vehicle theft prevention

#### 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.

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.

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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.

### EVALUATION OF THE COUNCIL'S IMPACT

Enabling legislation mandated an evaluation of the effectiveness of the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council with a report to the Governor and General Assembly by November 1, 1996.

To maintain the highest element of objectivity and credibility, the Council contracted with an independent entity, the University of Baltimore's Schaefer Center for Public Policy, to conduct the evaluation.

The evaluation concluded the following:

- Conclusions are tentative because of the short period of time that the Council-funded programs have been in effect.
- Based on available evidence, the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council and Fund appear to be responsible for a decline in reported vehicle thefts.
- The Program appears to be cost effective.
- Public Awareness/Prevention/Education appear to greatly impact vehicle theft trends.
- Funding for the Vehicle Theft Prevention Council should be continued.

The Council re-evaluated the effectiveness of its programs in 1999. The 1996 Report was updated by the University of Baltimore Schaefer Center for Public Policy. This Report concluded that there was a definite correlation between Council intervention and declining vehicle theft rates. In fact, analytic data predicted that absent the Council's intervention in 1995, vehicle theft rates would have continued to escalate. Continued evaluations have been hampered by budget reductions.

#### ANTI-CAR THEFT COMMITTEE

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

The A.C.T. Committee has been formally incorporated in Maryland as a 501(c3) nonprofit tax exempt organization. The primary function of the A.C.T. 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 A.C.T. Committee. A.C.T. is proposing to continue their statewide VIN etching campaign. This is a process where the vehicle's identification number (VIN) is etched into the vehicle's windows. VIN etching is known as an excellent form of vehicle theft\_deterrence and is offered as a "Free Service" by the A.C.T. Committee.

In 2000 A.C.T. expanded its area of responsibility to include the District of Columbia, becoming the MD-DC ACT Committee. The ACT Committee has also provided funding to the Montgomery County Police Centralized Auto Theft Team (CATT) to enhance their capabilities to access stolen car information more rapidly through portable lap top computers. They also partner with the Baltimore Regional Auto Theft Team (RATT) and provided funding to assist the startup of the Washington Area Vehicle Enforcement Team, (WAVE) and assist community policing programs in the District of Columbia.

#### "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. In the past,

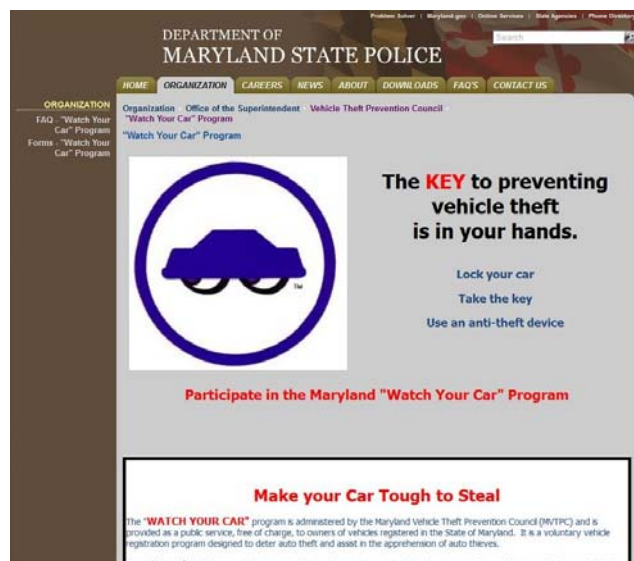
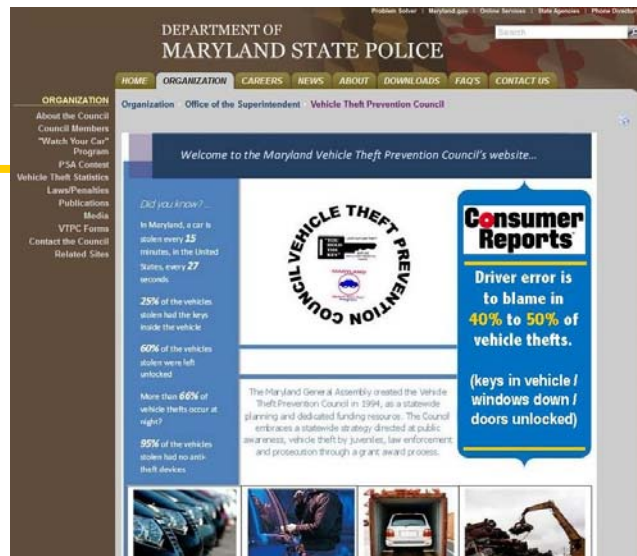


however, a lack of uniformity in program hours and decal designs has limited its effectiveness. The national "Watch Your Car" program will remedy these problems; it brings uniformity to the concept. Police officers nationwide will come to recognize and understand the parameters and benefits of the "Watch Your Car" program so that it will not be limited by state and local boundaries.

This program was officially implemented in August of 1998. Currently, there are approximately 40,000 Maryland motorists registered in the program with 78 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](http://www.mdautotheft.org)

In furtherance of the Council's progressive actions, a website was developed and went online in January, 2000. The website is directed at providing vehicle theft prevention data and an interactive link to the public and numerous other vehicle theft prevention organizations nationwide.






## MARYLAND HOT CAR

The flaming yellow Dodge Neon dubbed the **MARYLAND HOT CAR** attracts thieves like moths to a flame. The Neon was selected because it has historically been a popular car for thieves in Maryland. This car has all of the anti-theft devices that experts say will deter theft. The **MD HOT CAR** uses **COMMON SENSE DETERRENTS** consisting of **DOOR LOCKS AND IGNITION KEYS**; is equipped with a vehicle **RECOVERY SYSTEM LOJACK**; uses **VISUAL DETERRENTS** consisting of **VIN ETCHING, THE CLUB**, registration in the Maryland **WATCH YOUR CAR PROGRAM**; and is equipped with **PHYSICAL DETERRENTS** consisting of a **HOOD LOCK**, and the **IMMOBILIZER**.

## Vehicle Theft By The Numbers

**721,053** The number of cars stolen in the United States in 2012.

**14,493** The number of cars stolen in the State of Maryland in 2012.

**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.

**34%** The percentage of stolen vehicles that are not recovered.

**25%** The percentage of stolen vehicles that had the keys inside the vehicle.

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

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

# FACT:

*Brochures like these have helped the Maryland Vehicle Theft Prevention Council raise awareness in residents throughout the state.*

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



**Lock Out Car Theft**

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**Carjacking**  
**...it could cost you more than your vehicle.**



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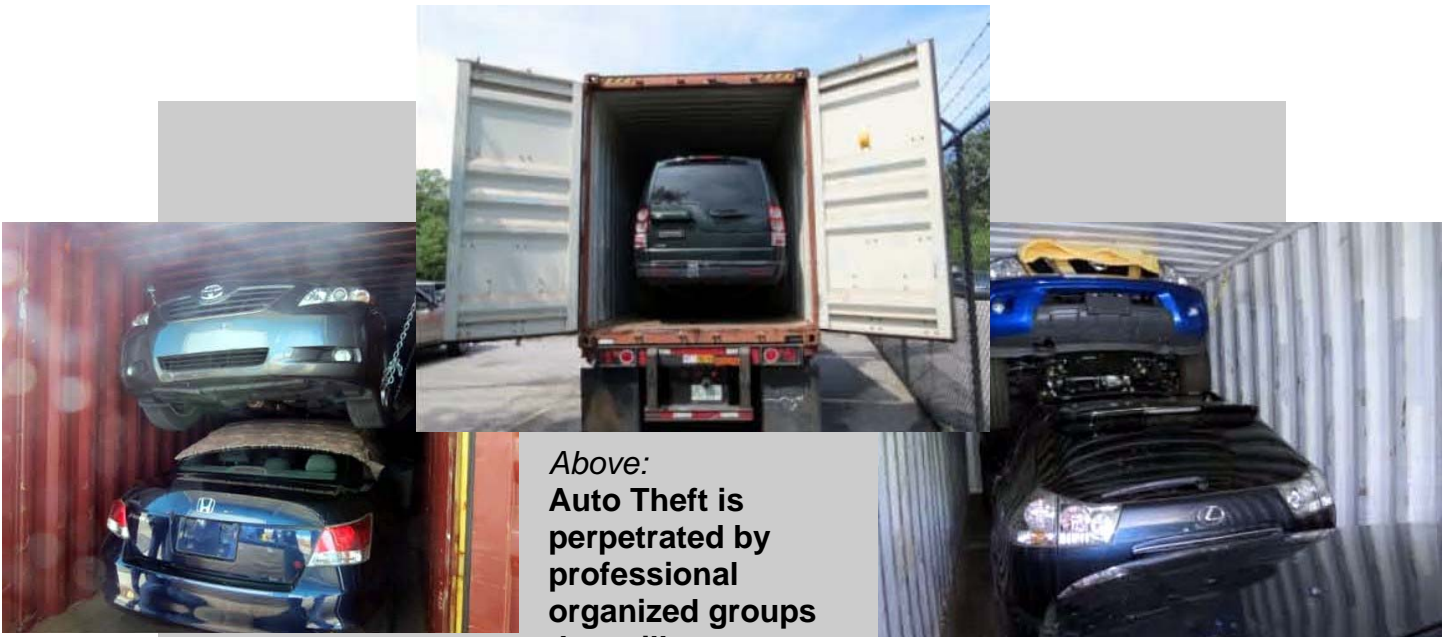
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Above:  
Auto Theft is perpetrated by professional organized groups that will stop at nothing to get what they need.



Left (2 photos):  
Export.



Right (2 photos):  
Shipping.



The Tools of the Trade

## THE YEAR IN PICTURES



*Above:*  
A chop shop can be anywhere.

*Right:*  
Stolen Vehicles being exported to a foreign country.



*Right:*  
A re-plated Range Rover that can be sold to unsuspecting local or foreign buyer.

*Below:*  
A chop shop in a home garage.



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*Left:*  
**Vehicle Theft is about money.**

*Right:*  
**Motorcycles are not safe either -  
keep them secured!**



*Above and Right:*  
**More Money - Bigger Scores !**



# THE YEAR IN PICTURES

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*Right:*  
**Tools of the Trade -  
Rim and Tire Theft**



*Left:*  
**No part of your vehicle is safe.**



*Right:*  
**...More Tools of the Trade**

*Bottom Right:*  
**\$362,0171.00 in recoveries.  
Excellent work by W.A.V.E. !!**



### A CASE STUDY

In January 2013, detectives in the Centralized Auto Theft Section (CATS) noticed a developing trend of Dodge products being stolen in the G Sector of 3D. Multiple Dodges, Chryslers and Jeeps were being targeted by punching the ignition. They were frequently recovered nearby or at other theft locations, clearly linking them. In several cases, the culprit(s) had switched tags with another, like vehicle.

Montgomery County Police has maintained a bait car program that was established in 2004. With assistance from the Maryland Vehicle Theft Prevention Council, the vehicles have been outfitted and maintained by CATS detectives. Due

to those ongoing efforts, the Dodge Stratus bait car was up and running and was deployed on Thayer Ave, the “ground zero” of the theft trend.

On February 10, 2013 at approximately 0022 hrs, two unidentified subjects broke into the car and punched the ignition, starting the car within one minute of entry. They became nervous when the doors would not open and immediately broke the driver’s window, climbed out, and fled. Patrol units arrived on scene moments later to find the empty car, still running, with a broken window. CATS detective Adam Hart responded and reviewed the video.





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Approximately two hours later, a citizen was robbed at gunpoint in close proximity to the bait car. Det. Hart heard the look out and the description matched the subjects from the bait car video.

Within days, the two subjects were identified via in car video images as Daquan Tyler and George Pickett. Det. Hart obtained search warrants for their residences and, just five days after the bait car activation, had coordinated multiple investigative units from Montgomery County Police Department and Takoma Park Police Department to serve them.

Property recovered in the search warrants could be described as everything under the sun, including the smoking gun. These two subjects had been under the radar for months, committing robberies, burglaries, auto thefts, and thefts from autos in four different districts in the county. Property was located directly tying them to crimes as far back as October, 2012.

In all, the two subjects have been linked to 48 cases, many of which have been/will be charged by Det. Hart or detectives from SSIS, Robbery, Takoma Park Police Department, and BIS with: 3 armed robberies, 5 residential burglaries (including at least one occupied dwelling and one safe job), 16 auto theft cases, 23 thefts from vehicles, the theft of a delivered parcel from a residence, one theft of a firearm, and an unreported home invasion robbery in Prince George's County.

Many of these cases were identified after a large bin filled with dozens of Red Box movies was seized from Tyler's house. Investigation revealed that all had been rented using stolen credit cards from victims of the above crimes, all of which were previously unsolved. Hours of jail calls were obtained and reviewed involving both defendants, which revealed a plot to intimidate one of the robbery victims, who had already been threatened and had his home burglarized by associates of Tyler, while Tyler was incarcerated.

Three stolen guns were recovered including the loaded .38 caliber revolver with a laser sight that had been described by all of the armed robbery victims, a semi automatic Benelli shotgun and another shotgun, both stolen in a burglary in Potomac.

In all, six search warrants were served in this case alone. Three residences were searched, DNA was obtained from both subjects and cell tower information was obtained, placing the subjects at the scene of an armed robbery and the phone at their home. Untold subpoenas were obtained and served to cell phone companies, Red Box, etc. Hours of surveillance videos from retail establishments were obtained and reviewed.

Working closely with the Montgomery County State's Attorney's Office, both subjects were quickly convicted in the bait car case. In a subsequent robbery/witness intimidation trial, the prosecutor described detectives that were "wading in stolen property." Thanks to these efforts they are both still in jail. Tyler was sentenced to 18 months for the Bait Car theft. He was sentenced recently to 32 years for one of the robbery cases and associated witness intimidation. This is a case that would not have been charged if not for the bait car arrest and subsequent recovery of the handgun.



# APPENDIX A

## VEHICLE THEFT

Jurisdictions Receiving Council Assistance  
\*1994 vs. 2012



	1994	2012	+%
Baltimore County	6,289	1,572	-75%
Baltimore City	13,603	3,987	-71%
Anne Arundel County	1,806	888	-51%
Charles County	435	186	-57%
Harford County	403	206	-49%
Howard County	1,157	313	-73%
Montgomery County	3,370	1,073	-68%
Prince George's County	9,477	5,092	-46%
TOTAL	36,540	13,317	-64%
Total Thefts State-Wide	96%		92%
STATE-WIDE	38,194	14,493	-62%

### MARYLAND



"Watch Your Car"  
Program

### FACT:

**Currently, there are approximately 40,000 Maryland motorists registered in the "Watch Your Car" program with 78 law enforcement agencies participating statewide.**

#### Vehicle Theft Rates

(Stolen Vehicles Per 100K Reg. Vehicles - State-Wide)

*1994	1,061	
1999	635	-40%
2000	678	-36%
2003	846	-20%
2004	796	-25%
2005	757	-29%
2006	651	-39%
2007	597	-44%
2008	533	-50%
2009	413	-61%
2010	383	-64%
2011	336	-68%
2012	301	-72%

#### Vehicle Theft Rates

(Stolen Vehicles Per 100,000 Pop.- State-Wide)

*1994	763.0	
1999	492.0	-36%
2000	539.0	-29%
2003	661.0	-13%
2004	652.0	-15%
2005	679.0	-19%
2006	543.0	-29%
2007	505.0	-34%
2008	450.0	-41%
2009	344.2	-55%
2010	312.2	-59%
2011	275.7	-64%
2012	246.3	-68%

\* 1994 vs. succeeding years

Source: MD UCR 1994 – 2012

# APPENDIX B

## VEHICLE THEFT

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



### Vehicle Theft Statistics

	1995	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
Baltimore County	5,406	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
Baltimore City	11,210	7,871	8,199	6,574	6,874	6,731	6,232	6,262	5,686	5,508	4,852	4,574	4,207	3,987
TOTAL	16,616	11,289	11,496	10,065	10,215	9,667	9,256	9,691	9,018	8,386	7,399	6,433	5,917	5,559

Source: MD UCR 1995 – 2012

### Regional Auto Theft Team Accomplishments

	1995	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	Totals
Adults Arrested	376	1,053	913	933	845	923	872	851	768	772	606	625	499	431	13,027
Juveniles Arrested	311	156	188	171	189	135	154	134	124	138	78	66	49	44	2,697
Total Arrests	687	1,209	1,101	1,104	1,034	1,058	1,026	985	892	910	684	691	548	475	16,718
Recovered Vehicles	340	905	816	864	753	828	960	1,251	1,209	1,187	922	784	796	865	14,801
UCR*	2.55	6.78	6.56	6.95	6.05	6.68	7.72	10.06	9.72	9.54	6.00	5.10	5.17	5.62	111.90

\*\$ in Millions based on \$8,040.00 average value  
UCR Value (2009, 2010, 2011) \$6,505.00 average value

### Other Statistical Accomplishments:

- 2,037** business inspections conducted
- 466** people charged with possession or distribution of CDS
- 262** arrests for carjacking
- 141** people charged with insurance fraud
- 158** arrests for burglary
- 141** arrests for handgun possession
- 106** arrests for robbery
- 70** people arrested for attempted murder / 1st degree assault
- 14** people arrested for murder
- 9** people arrested for kidnapping
- 8** people arrested for rape
- 5** people arrested for counterfeiting





**16,718** Total People Arrested

	<u>Since Inception</u>	<u>2012</u>
Arrested in Baltimore City:	90%	89%
Arrested in Baltimore County:	9%	9%
Arrested in Other Jurisdictions:	1%	2%
Total Adults Arrests:	82%	93%
Total Juvenile Arrests:	18%	7%

**14,801** Total Stolen Vehicles Recovered

	<u>Since Inception</u>	<u>2012</u>
Stolen from Baltimore City:	61%	71%
Stolen from Baltimore County:	20%	17%
Stolen from All Other Jurisdictions:	19%	12%



**Where do our Arrested Thieves Live?**

	<u>Since Inception</u>	<u>2012</u>
Baltimore City:	75%	89%
Baltimore County:	14%	9%
All Other Jurisdictions:	10%	3%



**Where do we Recover Stolen Vehicles?**

	<u>Since Inception</u>	<u>2011</u>
Baltimore City:	91%	91%
Baltimore County:	8%	8%
All Other Jurisdictions:	1%	1%

Inception: 01/02/1995 to 12/31/2012

# APPENDIX C

## VEHICLE THEFT

### Washington Area Vehicle Enforcement (WAVE) Auto Theft Task Force



#### Unit Accomplishments Since Creation in April 2000

General Statistics:	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	Total
Subjects Arrested:	156	371	521	650	546	662	612	383	425	328	131	79	165	5,029
Stolen Vehicles Recovered:	164	349	404	560	523	579	1,278	872	1,048	763	468	404	444	7,856
Stolen Tags Recovered:	49	42	46	55	92	153	187	95	86	101	48	10	19	983
Firearms Seized:	9	18	18	34	20	31	10	11	24	6	1	14	15	211
Amount of Heroin Seized (g):	20.0	31.0	38.0	34.0	23.0	44.6	2.5	0	0	0	0	0	0	193.1
Amount of Cocaine Seized (g):	104.3	204.2	187.7	209.0	161.9	236.6	33.9	30.4	39.7	29.6	3.3	6.2	22.8	1,269.6
Amount of Marijuana Seized (g):	37.6	262.8	207.7	1,872.7	410.9	361.4	17.3	127.4	54.8	106.7	170.2	164.2	324.8	4,118.5
Amount of Ecstasy Seized (pills):													2	2
Felony Warrants Served:	9	24	36	58	39	81	41	21	62	24	20	87	43	545
Misdemeanor Warrants Served:	22	34	59	22	27	26	29	26	40	28	29	5	24	371
Carjacked Vehicles Recovered w/Arrest:	4	20	14	48	25	39	58	43	30	25	10	3	11	330
Vin Inspections									398	400	509	1,140	1,649	4,096
Business Inspections									23	43	57	43	64	230
Search Warrants									5	11	18	54	95	183
Total Value of Vehicles Recovered (\$ in Millions):	2.048	4.623	4.981	6.570	6.309	6.999	13,318	9.315	10.014	5.100	3.100	4.200	5.519	82.096



# APPENDIX D GRANT RECIPIENTS

Summary of Grant Recipients for Fiscal Year 2013



## 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 2013 Award: \$20,000**

### 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 2013 Award: \$45,000**

### Baltimore County Police Dept. 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 2013 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 2013 Award: \$45,800**

### 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 2013 Award: \$125,803**

### Harford County Sheriff's Office Auto Theft Initiative

Purchase of a License Plate Reader. Funding for one auto theft detective.

**FY 2013 Award: \$15,800**

### Howard County Dept. 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 2013 Award: \$140,000**

### Maryland Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA)

#### Stolen Vehicle Initiative

Target vehicle theft through the use of technology and relationships with established auto theft units.

**FY 2013 Award: \$10,000**

### 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 2013 Award: \$165,000**

### Prince George's County Police Department

#### 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 2013 Award: \$160,000**



# APPENDIX D

# GRANT RECIPIENTS

Summary of Grant Recipients for  
Fiscal Year 2013



## 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 2013 Award: \$45,829**

### 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 2013 Award: \$115,000**

### Maryland State Prosecutor's Office

Provide assistance for confidential investigation and prosecution involving auto theft.

**FY 2013 Award: \$10,000**

### 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 2013 Award: \$140,000**



## 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 2013 Award: \$15,000**

### Take Charge Juvenile Diversion Program, Inc.

#### Proposed Pilot Vehicle Theft Reduction Program For Youth in Prince George's County Maryland

Target juvenile vehicle theft offenders in Prince George's County with intense intervention, utilizing peers, youth, parents and citizens to get involved to prevent vehicle theft.

**FY 2013 Award: \$110,000**

## 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 2013 Award: \$17,000**

### 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 2013 Award: \$25,000**

### 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 2013 Award: \$15,000**

## 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 2013 Award: \$62,000**

## 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 2013 Award: \$11,000**

# APPENDIX E

## GRANT RECIPIENTS

Grant Award Analysis by Jurisdiction for  
Fiscal Years 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013



	FISCAL YEAR 2010	FISCAL YEAR 2011	FISCAL YEAR 2012	FISCAL YEAR 2013
	\$1,943,588.00	\$1,832,700.00	\$1,573,000.00	\$1,663,232.00
	AWARDED	AWARDED	AWARDED	AWARDED
<b>ANNE ARUNDEL</b>				
ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY POLICE DEPT	\$40,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$45,000.00
ANNAPOLIS CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$10,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$50,000.00</b>	<b>\$75,000.00</b>	<b>\$60,000.00</b>	<b>\$65,000.00</b>
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	2.57%	4.09%	3.81%	3.90%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	6.60%	6.86%	5.19%	6.13%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	11.04%	10.83%	11.15%	11.15%
<b>BALTIMORE CITY</b>				
BALTIMORE CITY STATE'S ATTORNEY	\$36,000.00	\$35,000.00	\$30,000.00	\$45,829.00
COMMUNITY CONFERENCING CENTER	\$25,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
NORTHWEST CITIZENS PATROL GROUP 1	\$28,000.00	\$25,000.00	\$20,000.00	\$25,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$89,000.00</b>	<b>\$80,000.00</b>	<b>\$65,000.00</b>	<b>\$85,829.00</b>
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	4.58%	4.37%	4.13%	5.16%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	24.00%	24.52%	26.18%	27.51%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	5.91%	5.92%	5.97%	6.00%
<b>BALTIMORE COUNTY</b>				
BALTIMORE COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$393,500.00	\$405,000.00	\$365,000.00	\$380,000.00
BALTIMORE COUNTY STATE'S ATTORNEY	\$125,000.00	\$110,000.00	\$100,000.00	\$115,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$518,500.00</b>	<b>\$515,000.00</b>	<b>\$465,000.00</b>	<b>\$495,000.00</b>
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	26.68%	28.10%	29.56%	29.76%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	12.00%	10.43%	10.64%	10.85%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	14.05%	13.94%	13.87%	13.87%
<b>CHARLES COUNTY</b>				
CHARLES COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$60,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$45,800.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	3.09%	2.73%	2.55%	2.75%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	1.00%	1.61%	1.74%	1.28%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	2.91%	2.93%	2.94%	2.94%
<b>HARFORD COUNTY</b>				
HARFORD COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00	\$40,000.00	\$15,800.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	2.57%	2.73%	2.55%	.95%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	1.00%	1.31%	1.29%	1.42%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	4.89%	4.97%	4.96%	4.89%
<b>HOWARD COUNTY</b>				
HOWARD COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT	\$123,500.00	\$120,000.00	\$115,000.00	\$140,000.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	6.35%	6.55%	7.31%	8.42%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	2.00%	2.16%	2.33%	2.16%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	5.27%	5.31%	5.34%	5.35%



# APPENDIX E

## GRANT RECIPIENTS

Grant Award Analysis by Jurisdiction for  
Fiscal Years 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013



	FISCAL YEAR 2010 \$1,943,588.00 AWARDED	FISCAL YEAR 2011 \$1,832,700.00 AWARDED	FISCAL YEAR 2012 \$1,573,000.00 AWARDED	FISCAL YEAR 2013 \$1,663,232.00 AWARDED
<b>MONTGOMERY COUNTY</b>				
MONTGOMERY COUNTY POLICE DEPT	\$180,000.00	\$180,000.00	\$160,000.00	\$165,000.00
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	9.26%	9.82%	10.17%	9.92%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	9.00%	8.49%	7.95%	7.40%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	15.59%	15.92%	15.73%	15.66%
<b>PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY</b>				
PRINCE GEORGE'S CO. POLICE DEPT	\$185,000.00	\$200,000.00	\$160,000.00	\$160,000.00
PRINCE GEORGE'S CO. S/A OFFICE	\$185,000.00	\$185,000.00	\$140,000.00	\$140,000.00
OLDE MILL FOUNDATION	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00	\$15,000.00
TAKE CHARGE OF YOUR LIFE JUV. DIVERSION PROG. INC.	\$135,000.00	\$135,000.00	\$105,000.00	\$110,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$520,000.00</b>	<b>\$535,000.00</b>	<b>\$420,000.00</b>	<b>\$425,000.00</b>
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	26.75%	29.19%	26.70%	25.55%
% OF VEHICLE THEFTS	37.00%	37.16%	36.99%	35.13%
% OF REGISTERED VEHICLES	13.29%	13.21%	13.25%	13.25%
<b>MARYLAND STATE AGENCIES</b>				
MD STATE POLICE - Auto Theft Unit	\$176,820.00	\$150,000.00	\$140,000.00	\$125,803.00
MD STATE POLICE - Audit	\$5,000.00			
MD COMMUNITY CRIME PREV. INST. VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTION COUNCIL (PUBLIC AWARENESS COMMITTEE)	\$18,500.00	\$17,000.00	\$14,000.00	\$17,000.00
MD STATE PROSECUTOR'S OFFICE		\$10,000.00		
MD MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION		\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00	\$10,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$222,588.00</b>	<b>\$217,000.00</b>	<b>\$199,000.00</b>	<b>\$214,803.00</b>
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	11.45%	11.84%	12.65%	12.91%
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>				
MD/DC/DE BROADCASTERS' ASSOCIATION INDUSTRY MERGED WITH POLICE AGAINST CAR THEFT (IMPACT)	\$80,000.00	\$10,700.00	\$9,000.00	\$11,000.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$90,000.00</b>	<b>\$10,700.00</b>	<b>\$9,000.00</b>	<b>\$11,000.00</b>
% OF GRANT MONIES AWARDED	4.63%	.58%	.57%	.66%

<sup>1</sup> GRANT MONIES AWARDED TO COMMUNITY VEHICLE THEFT PREVENTIONS PROGRAMS IN BALTIMORE CITY.

<sup>2</sup> INCLUDES GRANT MONIES TO SUPPORT THE BALTIMORE CITY/BALTIMORE CO. COMBINED REGIONAL AUTO THEFT TEAM (R.A.T.T.)



# APPENDIX F

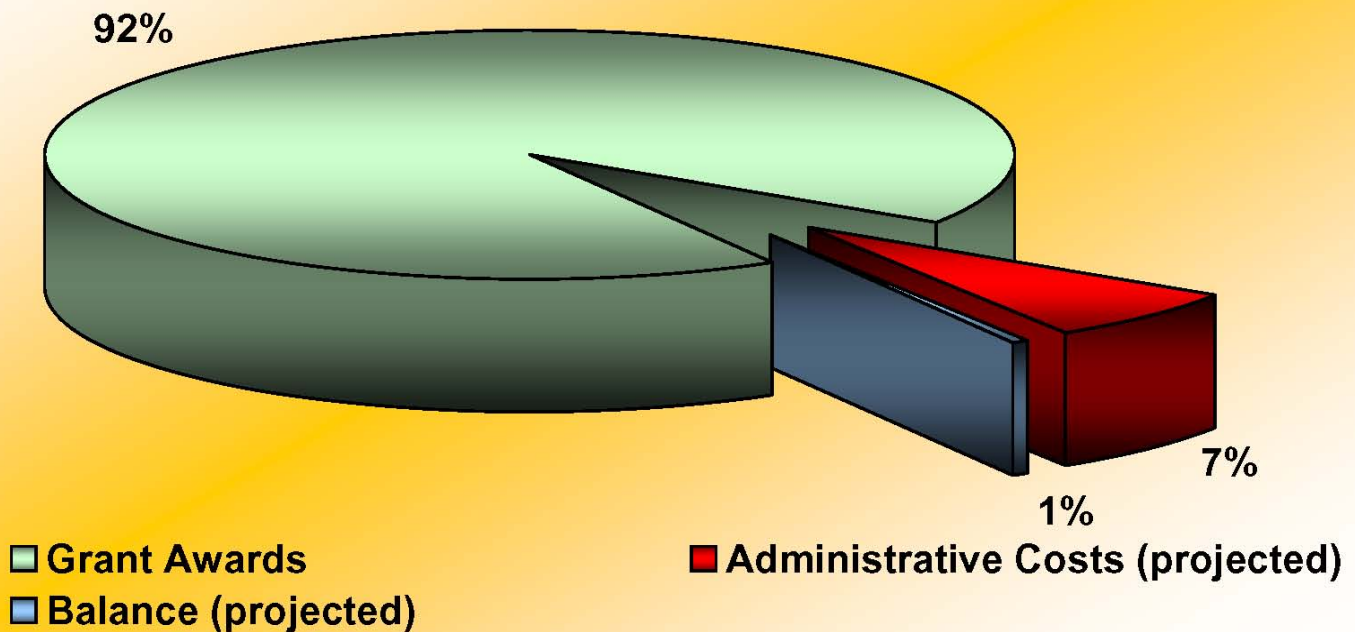
## FISCAL SUMMARY

Vehicle Theft Prevention Council  
Fiscal Year 2013 (July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013)



Funding Available	\$1,800,000
Grant Awards	\$1,663,232
Administrative Costs (Projected)	\$126,000
Total Disbursement (Projected)	\$1,789,232
Balance (Projected)	\$10,768

### Fiscal Summary



# APPENDIX G

## JURISDICTION DATA

Percentages by Jurisdiction  
Fiscal Year 2013 (July 1, 2012 - June 30, 2013)



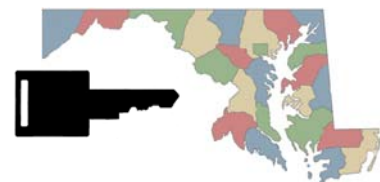
JURISDICTION	Registered Vehicles* CY2011	% of Total Registered Vehicles	Total 2011 Vehicle Theft	Jurisdiction's % of Total Thefts in the State	% of Registered Vehicles Stolen
ALLEGANY	62,574	1.30%	67	.46%	.11%
ANNE ARUNDEL	537,670	11.15%	888	6.13%	.17%
BALTIMORE	669,052	13.87%	1,572	10.85%	.23%
CALVERT	93,222	1.93%	45	.31%	.05%
CAROLINE	36,728	.76%	40	.28%	.11%
CARROLL	177,603	3.68%	84	.58%	.05%
CECIL	95,254	1.98%	138	.95%	.14%
CHARLES	141,965	2.94%	186	1.28%	.13%
DORCHESTER	32,416	.67%	49	.34%	.15%
FREDERICK	230,727	4.78%	198	1.37%	.09%
GARRETT	33,459	.69%	25	.17%	.07%
HARFORD	236,024	4.89%	206	1.42%	.09%
HOWARD	258,164	5.35%	313	2.16%	.12%
KENT	21,651	.45%	9	.06%	.04%
MONTGOMERY	755,353	15.66%	1,073	7.40%	.14%
PRINCE GEORGE'S	643,710	13.35%	5,092	35.13%	.79%
QUEEN ANNE'S	54,159	1.12%	29	.20%	.05%
ST. MARY'S	108,276	2.25%	87	.60%	.08%
SOMERSET	20,021	.42%	9	.06%	.04%
TALBOT	42,344	.88%	18	.12%	.04%
WASHINGTON	137,716	2.86%	214	1.48%	.16%
WICOMICO	87,294	1.81%	108	.75%	.12%
WORCESTER	57,767	1.20%	33	.23%	.06%
BALTIMORE CITY	289,229	6.00%	3,987	27.51%	1.38%
STATEWIDE			23		
GRAND TOTAL	4,822,378	100.00%	14,493	100.00%	

\*MD MVA

# APPENDIX H

## VEHICLE THEFT

Maryland Vehicle Thefts  
\*1994, 1999, 2005, 2010 - 2012



COUNTY	1994	1999	2005	2010	2011	2012	% Change 1994-1999	% Change 2011-2012	% Change 2005-2012	% Change 1994-2012
ALLEGANY	75	78	57	49	43	67	4%	56%	18%	-11%
ANNE ARUNDEL	1,806	1,418	1,524	1,236	832	888	-21%	7%	-42%	-51%
BALTIMORE CITY	13,603	7,255	6,232	4,421	4,207	3,987	-47%	-5%	-36%	-71%
BALTIMORE COUNTY	6,289	2,953	3,046	1,880	1,710	1,572	-53%	-8%	-48%	-75%
CALVERT	48	89	86	114	65	45	85%	-31%	-48%	-6%
CAROLINE	38	65	51	50	34	40	71%	18%	-22%	5%
CARROLL	169	165	170	104	94	84	-2%	-11%	-51%	-50%
CECIL	160	153	278	195	175	138	-4%	-21%	-50%	-14%
CHARLES	435	272	627	290	280	186	-37%	-34%	-70%	-57%
DORCHESTER	47	53	77	38	48	49	13%	2%	-36%	4%
FREDERICK	258	252	197	178	174	198	-2%	14%	1%	-23%
GARRETT	32	25	19	26	22	25	-22%	14%	32%	-22%
HARFORD	403	359	359	236	207	206	-11%	0%	-43%	-49%
HOWARD	1,157	704	544	389	374	313	-39%	-16%	-42%	-73%
KENT	17	17	24	21	16	9	0%	-44%	-63%	-47%
MONTGOMERY	3,370	2,667	2,671	1,530	1,278	1,073	-21%	-16%	-60%	-68%
PRINCE GEORGE'S	9,477	8,619	17,242	6,700	5,943	5,092	-9%	-14%	-70%	-46%
QUEEN ANNE'S	39	61	48	28	43	29	56%	-33%	-40%	-26%
SAINT MARY'S	70	75	142	103	133	87	7%	-35%	-39%	24%
SOMERSET	29	36	27	19	13	9	24%	-31%	-67%	-69%
TALBOT	54	43	26	22	31	18	-20%	-42%	-31%	-67%
WASHINGTON	152	258	261	191	153	214	70%	40%	-18%	41%
WICOMICO	231	218	205	139	111	108	-6%	-3%	-47%	-53%
WORCESTER	121	120	101	48	41	33	-1%	-20%	-67%	-73%
STATEWIDE	114	112	56	22	40	23	-2%	-43%	-59%	-80%
MARYLAND	38,194	26,067	34,070	18,029	16,067	14,493	-32%	-10%	-57%	-62%

Jurisdictions receiving Vehicle Theft Prevention Council assistance.

# APPENDIX

# VEHICLE THEFT

National Vehicle Thefts Totals  
1994, 2007 - 2012



	2012	Totals	2011	Totals	2010	Totals	2009	Totals	2008	Totals	2007	Totals	1994	Totals
1	CA	168,608	CA	146,848	CA	152,524	CA	164,021	CA	192,527	CA	219,392	CA	308,205
2	TX	64,996	TX	62,338	TX	68,023	TX	76,559	TX	85,350	TX	93,899	NY	128,873
3	FL	37,330	FL	39,621	FL	41,462	FL	50,259	FL	63,509	FL	73,656	FL	127,186
4	GA	28,536	GA	29,475	GA	30,305	GA	33,145	GA	39,628	AZ	48,389	TX	110,753
5	WA	26,402	IL	28,769	IL	28,796	MI	29,313	AZ	37,218	GA	42,594	IL	66,218
6	IL	25,690	MI	25,496	MI	27,353	IL	26,676	MI	36,241	MI	42,151	MI	62,304
7	MI	25,115	WA	24,835	WA	25,729	AZ	25,981	IL	32,572	WA	37,622	PA	54,153
8	OH	19,512	OH	21,068	AZ	21,508	WA	23,680	OH	28,532	IL	33,887	NJ	52,164
9	AZ	19,158	AZ	19,829	OH	21,118	OH	22,890	WA	28,331	OH	33,779	OH	47,413
10	NY	17,348	NY	19,311	NY	20,443	NY	21,870	NC	26,743	NC	30,126	AZ	43,467
11	NJ	16,481	NJ	17,415	NC	18,310	NC	20,024	<b>MD</b>	<b>25,333</b>	<b>MD</b>	<b>28,393</b>	MA	42,348
12	MO	16,308	NC	17,032	<b>MD</b>	<b>18,051</b>	<b>MD</b>	<b>19,619</b>	NY	25,114	NY	28,030	GA	39,312
13	NC	16,120	PA	16,844	PA	16,669	PA	17,821	PA	22,471	PA	26,461	<b>MD</b>	<b>38,194</b>
14	PA	15,028	<b>MD</b>	<b>16,068</b>	MO	16,051	MO	17,439	MO	20,765	MO	23,784	TN	28,994
15	<b>MD</b>	<b>14,493</b>	MO	15,317	NJ	15,556	NJ	15,508	NJ	20,180	NV	22,331	WA	28,743
16	IN	13,661	IN	14,816	TN	14,835	TN	14,973	TN	19,224	NJ	21,953	MO	27,038
17	SC	13,201	TN	14,036	SC	13,197	IN	13,879	SC	17,652	TN	21,658	LA	26,219
18	TN	12,980	SC	13,664	IN	13,118	SC	13,566	IN	17,455	IN	19,557	IN	25,011
19	CO	12,092	CO	11,047	MA	11,453	CO	12,548	NV	15,903	SC	17,026	OR	21,764
20	OK	11,564	OK	11,031	CO	11,247	NV	12,379	LA	13,743	CO	16,792	NC	21,342
21	OR	10,203	MA	10,786	AL	10,600	MA	11,735	CO	13,519	LA	15,180	CT	20,167
22	NV	10,018	AL	10,662	VA	10,548	LA	11,713	AL	13,458	MA	14,992	WI	18,321
23	AL	9,874	VA	9,724	OK	10,190	VA	11,419	VA	13,259	OR	14,549	VA	18,289
24	MA	9,232	NV	9,485	NV	10,185	AL	11,081	MA	12,737	AL	14,230	OK	15,461
25	VA	9,076	LA	9,123	LA	9,893	OK	10,409	WI	11,520	VA	14,054	CO	14,365
26	MN	8,458	OR	9,047	OR	8,912	OR	9,869	OR	11,331	OK	13,459	MN	14,355
27	WI	8,216	WI	8,232	MN	8,507	WI	8,936	OK	10,881	WI	13,433	AL	14,000
28	LA	7,881	MN	8,182	WI	8,138	MN	8,519	MN	10,078	MN	12,526	SC	13,184
29	KS	6,778	CT	6,712	CT	6,707	CT	7,476	CT	8,963	CT	9,167	NV	11,065
30	KY	6,668	KS	6,677	KY	6,209	UT	6,904	NM	8,004	NM	8,939	MS	10,810
31	CT	6,449	KY	6,673	KS	6,009	PR	6,832	KY	7,667	UT	8,812	KY	8,558
32	UT	5,949	UT	6,183	UT	5,949	NM	6,476	KS	7,395	KY	8,675	KS	8,383
33	PR	5,847	PR	5,853	AR	5,544	AR	6,103	UT	7,195	KS	8,564	NM	8,350
34	AR	5,724	AR	5,812	MS	5,360	KY	6,040	PR	7,003	PR	7,822	DC	8,261
35	NM	5,463	NM	5,408	NM	5,247	KS	5,954	AR	6,511	DC	7,600	AR	7,726
36	MS	4,322	MS	4,925	HI	5,100	DC	5,532	DC	6,465	MS	7,381	HI	6,383
37	NE	4,147	DC	4,456	DC	5,036	MS	5,401	MS	6,352	AR	7,010	NE	6,236
38	IA	4,023	HI	4,184	IA	3,776	HI	4,819	HI	5,133	HI	6,715	UT	5,689
39	DC	3,661	NE	4,103	NE	3,614	IA	3,888	IA	4,332	NE	5,038	RI	5,183
40	HI	3,605	IA	3,936	RI	2,399	NE	3,481	NE	4,188	IA	4,885	IA	5,096
41	RI	2,628	RI	2,287	WV	2,369	WV	2,741	WV	3,204	WV	3,492	AK	3,275
42	WV	2,209	WV	2,254	DE	1,929	RI	2,393	RI	3,200	RI	3,226	WV	3,274
43	MT	1,689	DE	1,530	AK	1,619	DE	1,907	DE	2,541	AK	2,418	DE	2,945
44	AK	1,522	MT	1,458	MT	1,526	AK	1,689	ID	1,668	DE	2,316	MT	2,450
45	DE	1,436	AK	1,343	ID	1,322	ID	1,492	AK	1,638	ID	2,226	NH	2,302
46	ID	1,364	ID	1,333	ME	990	MT	1,456	MT	1,573	MT	1,755	ID	2,210
47	ND	1,151	ME	1,078	NH	968	NH	1,124	NH	1,387	NH	1,299	ME	1,776
48	SD	1,065	ND	980	ND	859	ME	1,021	ME	1,176	ME	1,259	ND	964
49	NH	1,023	NH	974	SD	795	ND	852	ND	882	ND	914	SD	872
50	ME	995	SD	946	WY	591	SD	813	SD	800	WY	796	VT	862
51	WY	584	WY	521	VT	441	WY	771	WY	713	SD	735	WY	771
52	VT	435	VT	49			VT	448	VT	585	VT	641	PR	

Source: FBI UCR

# APPENDIX

# VEHICLE THEFT

Vehicle Theft Rate Per 100,000 Residents  
1994, 2006 - 2012



2012	RATE	2011	RATE	2010	RATE	2009	RATE	2008	RATE	2007	RATE	1994	RATE
DC	579.0	DC	721.0	DC	836.9	DC	922.5	DC	1092.4	DC	1291.9	DC	1449.3
CA	443.2	CA	398.6	CA	409.4	NV	468.4	NV	611.6	NV	870.5	AZ	1066.7
WA	382.8	WA	363.6	WA	382.6	CA	443.8	AZ	572.6	AZ	763.4	CA	980.6
NV	363.1	NV	348.3	HI	374.9	AZ	394.0	CA	523.8	CA	600.2	FL	911.5
OK	303.1	AZ	305.9	NV	337.1	HI	372.0	MD	449.7	WA	581.6	MD	763.0
AZ	292.3	HI	304.3	AZ	336.5	WA	355.3	WA	432.6	HI	523.2	NV	759.4
GA	287.7	GA	300.3	GA	312.8	MD	344.2	GA	409.1	MD	505.4	NY	709.3
SC	279.5	SC	292.0	MD	312.6	GA	337.2	NM	403.4	NM	453.8	OR	705.2
MO	270.8	OK	290.9	SC	285.3	NM	322.2	HI	398.5	GA	446.3	MA	701.0
NM	261.9	MD	275.7	MI	276.8	TX	308.9	SC	394.0	MI	418.5	NJ	660.0
OR	261.7	NM	259.7	OK	271.6	SC	297.0	MI	362.3	MO	404.6	MI	656.1
HI	258.9	MI	258.2	TX	270.5	MI	294.0	MO	351.3	FL	403.6	CT	615.8
MI	254.1	MO	254.8	MO	268.0	MO	291.0	TX	350.8	TX	392.8	LA	607.6
RI	250.2	TX	246.7	NM	254.8	OH	282.2	FL	346.5	OR	388.2	TX	602.6
TX	249.4	OR	233.7	TN	233.8	OK	282.2	LA	311.6	SC	386.3	IL	563.5
MD	246.3	KS	232.5	OR	232.6	FL	271.1	TN	309.3	OK	372.1	TN	560.3
KS	234.9	IN	227.3	AK	228.0	LA	260.8	RI	304.5	AK	353.8	GA	557.2
CO	233.1	IL	223.5	RI	227.9	OR	258.0	OR	299.0	LA	353.6	HI	541.4
NE	223.5	NE	222.7	IL	224.4	AL	252.3	OK	298.7	TN	351.8	AK	540.4
UT	210.1	AL	222.0	CO	223.6	CO	247.9	DE	291.0	CO	345.4	RI	519.9
IN	209.0	UT	219.5	AL	221.8	UT	247.9	NC	290.0	NC	340.2	MO	512.3
AK	208.1	TN	219.2	FL	220.5	AK	241.8	AL	288.7	UT	333.1	NM	504.8
AL	204.8	RI	217.5	LA	218.2	TN	237.8	CO	273.7	KS	308.5	WA	500.5
TN	201.0	CO	215.9	UT	215.2	RI	217.2	IN	273.7	IN	308.2	OK	474.6
IL	199.5	FL	207.9	DE	214.8	IN	216.1	KS	263.9	AL	307.5	PA	449.3
AR	194.1	LA	199.4	KS	210.6	DE	215.5	UT	262.9	RI	305.0	IN	434.8
FL	193.2	AR	197.8	IN	202.3	NC	213.5	CT	256.0	OH	294.6	OH	427.1
NJ	185.9	NJ	197.4	NE	197.8	CT	212.5	IL	252.5	NE	284.9	DE	417.1
CT	179.6	CT	187.4	NC	192.0	KS	211.2	OH	248.4	DE	267.8	MS	405.0
LA	171.3	AL	185.8	AR	190.1	AR	211.2	AK	238.7	IL	263.7	CO	392.9
OH	169.0	OH	182.5	CT	187.7	IL	206.6	NE	234.8	CT	261.7	NE	384.2
MT	168.0	NC	176.4	OH	183.1	NE	193.8	NJ	232.4	MS	252.9	WI	360.5
NC	165.3	DE	168.7	MS	180.6	MS	183.0	AR	228.0	NJ	252.7	SC	359.8
ND	164.5	MS	165.4	NJ	176.9	NJ	178.1	MS	216.2	AR	247.3	AL	331.8
PR	159.4	MA	163.7	MA	174.9	MA	178.0	WI	204.7	MN	241.0	KS	328.2
MN	157.2	PR	157.9	MN	161.9	PR	172.2	MA	196.0	WI	239.8	AR	315.0
DE	156.6	MN	153.1	MT	154.2	MN	161.9	MN	193.1	MA	232.4	MN	314.3
KY	152.2	KY	152.7	WI	143.1	WI	157.8	PA	180.5	PA	212.8	NC	301.9
MS	144.8	MT	146.1	KY	143.1	WV	150.6	KY	179.6	KY	204.5	UT	298.2
WI	143.5	WI	144.1	VA	131.8	MT	149.3	PR	177.1	PR	198.5	MT	286.2
MA	138.9	ND	143.3	PA	131.2	VA	144.9	WV	176.6	WV	192.7	VA	279.1
IA	130.9	PA	132.2	ND	127.7	WY	141.7	VA	170.7	MT	183.2	KY	223.6
SD	127.8	IA	128.5	WV	127.4	PA	141.4	MT	162.6	VA	182.2	NH	202.5
WV	119.1	WV	121.5	IA	124.0	KY	140.9	IA	144.3	IA	163.5	ID	195.1
PA	117.7	VA	120.1	NY	105.4	ND	131.7	ND	137.5	WY	152.2	IA	180.1
VA	112.2	SD	114.8	WY	104.9	IA	129.3	WY	133.9	ID	148.5	WV	179.7
WY	101.3	NY	99.2	SD	97.6	NY	111.9	NY	128.9	NY	145.3	WY	162.0
NY	88.6	WY	91.7	ID	84.3	SD	100.1	ID	109.5	ND	142.9	ND	151.1
ID	85.5	ID	84.1	ME	74.5	ID	93.3	NH	105.4	VT	103.2	VT	148.6
NH	77.5	ME	81.2	NH	73.5	NH	84.9	SD	99.5	NH	98.7	ME	143.2
ME	74.9	VT	79.7	VT	70.5	ME	77.4	VT	94.2	ME	95.6	SD	120.9
VT	69.5	NH	73.9			VT	72.1	ME	89.3	SD	92.3		

Source: FBI UCR

# VEHICLE THEFT FACTS AND TIPS

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## Did you know?

- ◆ In 2012 there were 14,493 motor vehicles stolen in Maryland.
- ◆ A vehicle theft occurs every 36 minutes in Maryland.
- ◆ In approximately 25 percent of the vehicles stolen, keys were left in the vehicles.
- ◆ It is estimated that 70 percent of the vehicles stolen were not locked.
- ◆ Ongoing surveys reflect that an anti-theft device was used in less than 5 percent of stolen vehicles.
- ◆ 1,870 individuals were arrested for vehicle theft in 2012.
- ◆ Juveniles represented 27% 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, 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 lighted 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 vehicle registration card, driver's license, or any type of owner identification in the glove box.
- ◆ Don't leave valuables in sight within the car...

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