

Motor Vehicle Crimes

Crimes involving motor vehicles are often crimes of convenience but can also target specific types of vehicles. These crimes can range from motor vehicle theft to vandalism to breaking and/or entering a vehicle to steal things. Some tips to avoid being a target are:

- Lock your vehicles when you are not in it. (The majority of vehicle break-ins occur when the vehicle was left unlocked.)
- Remove the keys from your vehicles when you are not in it. (This includes when you are getting gas. This is a fast, easy place for someone to jump in your car.)
- Remove valuables from your vehicle or make sure they are not in plain sight. If there does not appear to be anything of value upon glancing, your vehicle has a better chance of being passed by.
- Park in well-lit and secure areas. Vehicles parked in these areas are more visible and therefore are less attractive to criminals.