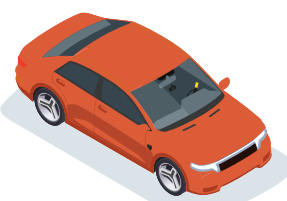


CAR THEFT FACTS AND FIGURES AND HOW TO SECURE YOUR VEHICLE

According to the DVLA – 64,087 vehicles were reported stolen in 2023. That's one every 8 minutes or so! Find out what types of cars are stolen the most in the UK and get some tips to secure your car.

The most stolen cars in the UK

- 1 Ford Fiesta
- 2 Ford Focus
- 3 Volkswagen Golf
- 4 Mercedes C-Class
- 5 Range Rover Sport
- 6 Range Rover Evoque
- 7 BMW 3 Series
- 8 Vauxhall Corsa
- 9 Vauxhall Astra
- 10 Land Rover Discovery Sport



The most stolen electric cars

Recent data shows an alarming 8% surge in EV thefts, totaling 132,489 attempts

- 1 Kia Niro
- 2 Hyundai Ioniq 5
- 3 Kia EV6
- 4 Nissan Leaf
- 5 Hyundai Kona
- 6 Jaguar I-Pace
- 7 Hyundai Ioniq
- 8 MG ZS
- 9 MG 5
- 10 Audi e-tron

*Source: DVLA

*Source: Fleetnews.co.uk

Effective ways to deter car thieves

CCTV Security Cameras



As well as providing footage to help catch criminals post-hoc, having clearly visible security cameras can act as a deterrent and show that your property isn't an easy target. Well-placed CCTV cameras could help to keep your vehicle safe.

Steering Wheel Locks



Having a steering wheel lock is a great way to keep your car safe from car thieves, ensuring that they won't be able to easily drive your car away from your driveway. A steering wheel lock can help you to keep your car safe from thieves – both opportunistic and planned.

Tracking Devices



Using a tracking device can be an excellent way to keep your car safe should the worst occur. There are a range of specially-designed tracking devices made to keep record of where your car is at all times, but for a potentially more accessible alternative option, consider an Apple Tag to integrate with your other devices.

Keeping Your Car in Well-Lit Areas



Installing motion-activated security lights around your property can help to keep away opportunistic burglars; most thieves prefer not to be noticed. Other tips to increase security include trimming trees and ensuring a clear line of sight so thieves can't 'work' unnoticed.

Garage Your Car

If your home is one of the 11 million in the UK with a garage and you haven't filled it full of boxes, bikes and other household paraphernalia, then locking your car away is a great way to keep it safe.

Inward-facing Dash Cams



An inward-facing dashcam can be another great deterrent as well as a way to help you recover your car should it be stolen. With a setup that can automatically upload footage to a cloud server, an inward-facing dashcam could help the police to track down the perpetrators.

Driveway Bollards



Driveway bollards signal that your property is not an easy target for criminals. Often, burglars target cars and break into homes to get keys, so if you can show that your car can't be taken from the driveway, you can deter thieves from your home as well as protecting your vehicle. Two for the price of one!

6 facts about car theft and burglary

1

A **well-protected car** often signals to a thief that the property in general will be well-protected; they might move on if they see visible deterrents.

2

Car thieves will often break into homes but post the keys outwardly through the letterbox, so if they're caught they aren't charged with aggravated theft.

3

Relay car theft is on the rise – where thieves use **keyless technology** to break in to newer cars.

4

Don't leave car keys in sight from your front door or window to deter quick 'smash and grab' opportunistic thieves.

5

Sheds and garages often contain tools a burglar might use to help them steal your car or break into your home – keep them protected too.

6

Thieves often return to the scene of the crime, so if you've been targeted act quickly to bolster your security.

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