

Commercial Burglary Unit



Catalytic-Converter Thefts

August 2021 Trends

What is a catalytic converter?

- Emissions control device located in exhaust system
- Valued by criminals for its precious-metal content

Theft Deterrence

- Park in garage
- Park in well-lit place
- Park near security cameras
- Park near curb
- Weld converter to vehicle
- Attach plate to converter
- Engrave VIN on converter
- Calibrate car alarm to sound if vibration detected



Vehicle Count, August 2021 88 Change from Previous Month -30%

Vehicle Count, Jan-Aug 2021 1343 Change from Previous YTD 704%



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Heat Map, Jan-Aug 2021

