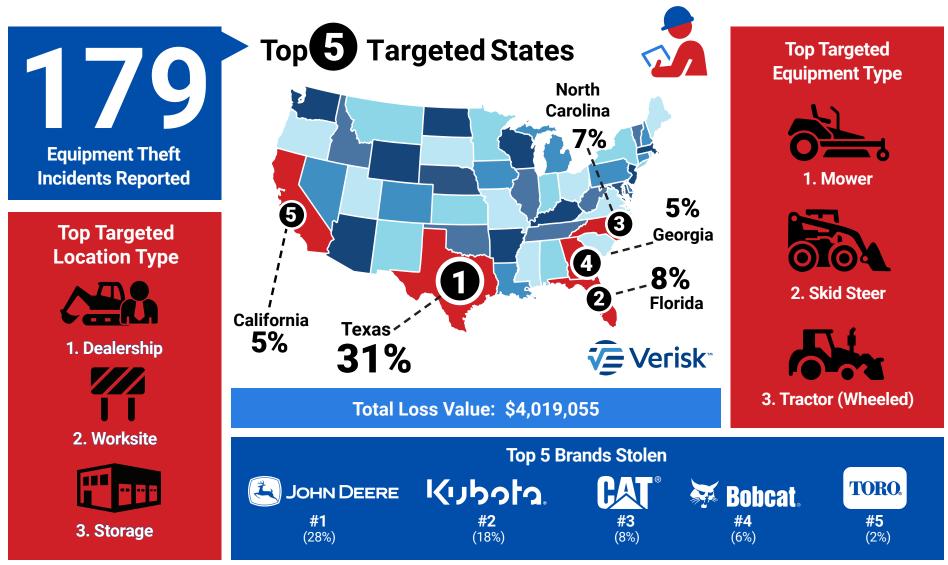


## **NER's Labor Day Heavy Equipment Theft Trends 23'**

Over the last five years, there has been a rise in theft incidents reported to NER® during the Labor Day holiday. Here is a snapshot of the events, including theft by state, equipment type, location type, theft type, and loss value from the Thursday before Labor Day to the Wednesday after.





# **NER's Labor Day Security Tips and Best Practices**

### Be Proactive - A few ideas for both the Industry and Law Enforcement.

### **Industry**

- Avoid leaving machines on deserted jobsites over the holiday.
- Don't leave ANYTHING on a trailer. Secure any trailers, whether loaded or not, so that thieves cannot use them to steal your equipment.
- Confirm alarms and lighting are operating properly. A high number of false alarms may be a test of your responsiveness; watch for vehicles "casing" your property on overnight video.
- Test cameras in daylight and after dark to confirm you capture usable images of license plates, faces, and vehicles.
- Don't assume fences and gates provide a complete barrier to adjoining property. Walk your fence line to be sure everything is intact. Thieves partially cut fence posts or stack materials near a wall in preparation.
- Move highly targeted equipment into service bays and away from the fence.
- Contact neighboring businesses, especially those which will be open during the holiday; raise their awareness so that thefts in progress are reported to 911. Be sure they have your emergency contact information.
- Designate someone to check up on the facility at different times during the holiday. Random activity at your location could spoil a thief's planning.

#### **Law Enforcement**

- NCIC cannot confirm a machine is NOT STOLEN. Access NER ownership registration on any suspicious machine that returns negative for theft and verify its status with the owner.
- NER maintains emergency contact information for owners, fleets and rental companies whose equipment is registered with NER.
- Law Enforcement may access NER's searchable owner registration data online. Register for free by clicking "Register" at <a href="https://application.ner.net">https://application.ner.net</a>
- Contact NICB for assistance at 800-447-6282. NICB can provide NER's equipment ownership information and assist with searching the NER databases.

### **Review your fleet inventory on NER**

- Update your NER fleet registration to add any new machines.
- Physically verify that the serial numbers/PINs recorded on your inventory match what is actually on the machine ID plate.
- Confirm that your emergency contact details are accurate on your NER registration.
- If you have difficulty logging in, call an NER analyst 866-663-7872, or email info@ner.net.



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