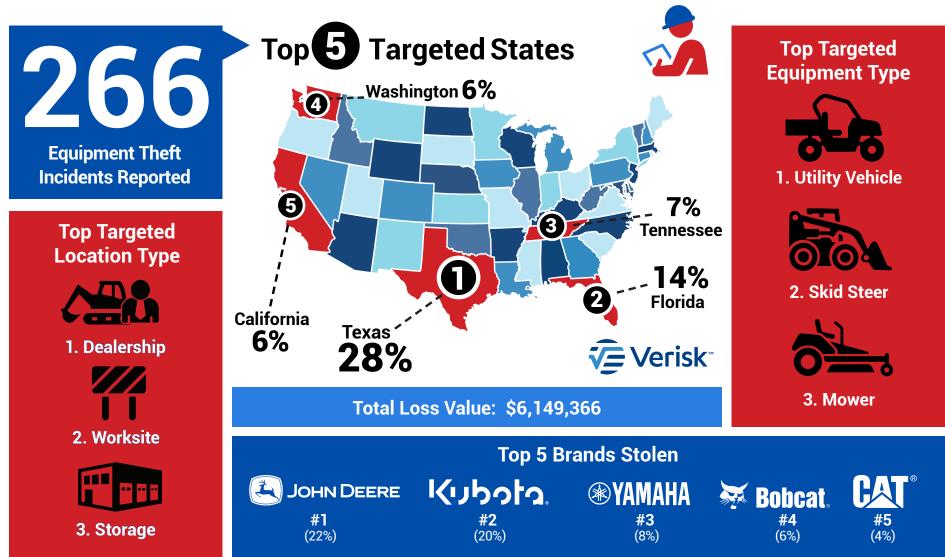


NER's July 4th Security Tips and Best Practices 25'

Over the last five years, there has been a rise in theft incidents reported to NER® during the July 4th holiday. Here is a snapshot of the events, including theft by state, equipment type, location type, theft type, and loss value from July 1 through July 7.





NER's July 4th Security Tips and Best Practices

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

Industry

- ★ Use the <u>NER Spring Crime Prevention Tune-Up</u> to make security a part of summer preparations.
- ★ Ensure alarms and lighting are all operating properly. A high number of false alarms may be a test of your responsiveness; watch for vehicles "casing" your property.
- ★ Test cameras in daylight and after dark to confirm you capture usable images of license plates, faces, and vehicles.
- ★ Don't assume that 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.
- ★ Don't leave ANYTHING on a trailer. Secure any trailers so that thieves cannot use them to steal your equipment.



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Law Enforcement

- ★ Educate personnel on the heightened equipment theft threat, and to contact NICB for assistance at 800-447-6282.
- ★ NICB can provide NER's equipment ownership information and emergency contact information, including most rental equipment.
- ★ NCIC cannot confirm a machine is NOT STOLEN. Search NER's ownership registration and UCC1 finance data on any suspicious machine that come back negative for theft to verify its status with the owner.

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 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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