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Westminster Police Department Newsletter

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Top Stolen Vehicles

Denver Metro—Jan-Sept. 2020

Chevrolet Silverado-586

Honda Civic -516

Ford F-250—497

Honda Accord—488

Ford F-350—288

GMC Sierra- 285

Ford F-150—259

Dodge Ram 1500—253

Subaru Legacy- 208

Honda CRV—195

Auto Thefts

Remember to lock your vehicles and take your keys with you.

Factors influencing the substantial rise in motor vehicle theft are:

- More vehicles sitting for longer periods of time, which become targets of thieves.
- Inability to jail motor vehicle theft suspects in four of the five metro area counties due to COVID-19 restrictions imposed by the jails.
- Low or no bond, set by the courts, for suspects who are jailed and then soon released.
- Inability for DA's Offices to prosecute some cases due to "speedy trial" issues.
- Inability to have certain types of evidence processed such as; DNA, fingerprints etc. or the extended length of time to receive results, from crime labs.

Information provided by Colorado Auto Theft Prevention Authority

For more information please visit: coloradocrimestats.state.co.us/tops

Together we are better!

Holiday Shopping Tips

Thieves are always watching

Don't make yourself an easy target while you are out shopping.

- Carry the minimum number of credit cards/cash with you.
- Don't sit in your car and place bags, packages or purses under the seat. Thieves watch for this type of movement and know you've hidden something in the car.
- Don't come out to your car and place packages in the trunk and go back in to finish shopping. Thieves will take advantage of this and break into your car to steal packages.

From our families to yours we want to wish you a warm, happy and safe holiday season.

Vehicle Registration

- Due to COVID-19-related shut downs there is a significant delay in DMV operations, which has resulted in expired temporary tags and license plates.
- Please visit the DMV website to obtain online services, self service kiosk locations and answers to additional questions: tinyurl.com/rd7dtzj











