

Shocking Facts about Package Theft

- Even if you've never had a package stolen before, the risk of falling victim to "porch piracy" continues to increase
- Almost 45% of their victims have had packages stolen more than once, with roughly 10% experiencing five or more incidents.
- The average cost to replace a stolen package is \$109
 - This monetary value doesn't take into consideration the personal significance of some items, with items as critical as prescription medications now arriving by mail
- Nationally, there are an average of 15.75 larceny incidents per 1,000 people
- Video doorbells are the most popular deterrent
- **Police make arrests in less than 10% of reported theft cases**
 - Those who do get caught face only minor charges unless they can be linked to more than one stolen package
- Nearly 4 in 10 people have had packages stolen
 - According to the most recent, more than 5.5 billion larceny thefts were reported across the country
- Distribution of larceny thefts by community type:
 - 89% major metro
 - 7.5% other cities
 - 3% non-metro areas
- States by larceny thefts per 100,000 population:
 - Colorado: 1,904.90
- Larceny theft rate per 100,000 population:
 - Pueblo, CO: 3,065.50
- The Delivery Economy:
 - Package theft is becoming so common that it's given rise to a new term: "porch pirate." In at least one major city, Los Angeles, police have noticed an upward trend in residents reporting that they've been the victim of package thefts. According to the LAPD, reports of packages being taken off doorsteps and porches has exploded by **nearly 600 percent**

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