

HOLIDAY HOME SECURITY



A CHECKLIST FOR PROTECTING YOUR HOME WHEN YOU'RE AWAY

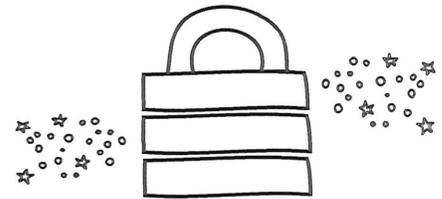
Last Thanksgiving, 43 million Americans drove 50 miles or more to carve the turkey with their friends and family. And, last year, 30% of Americans traveled 50 miles or more from home during the year-end holiday season.

If you're traveling this holiday season, complete this simple checklist to ensure your home is secure when you're away.



UNDER LOCK AND KEY

- Have you locked every door or window, including the door to your garage?
- Have you secured your pet doors (if any)?
- Have you double-checked securing your sliding doors (if any)?
- If you have a home security system, have you activated it?
- Have you locked up your ladders, tools, and lawn furniture?
- Have you put your valuables in a safe or safety deposit box?
- Have you removed any "hidden" keys?



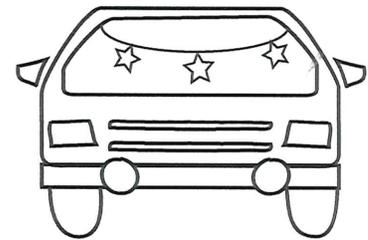
About **40% of burglaries** don't involve forcible entry. Just by properly securing your home, you can reduce your chances of unlawful intrusion.



KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOR

Have you asked a trusted neighbor to:

- Watch your house?
- Hold onto your emergency contact information?
- Collect any newspapers, flyers, or mail that might arrive?
- Park a car in your driveway?



In a survey of burglars, **51% checked for a car** in the driveway before committing their crime.



ANYONE HOME?

- Have you considered putting lights, TVs, or radios on intermittent timers?
- Have you trimmed any overgrown trees or shrubbery?
- Have you considered installing motion-sensing lights?
- Have you broken down any large cardboard boxes?
- Have you avoided posting about your travel plans on social media?



In the same survey, **60% of burglars** would avoid a 'target' if there was any evidence of people being inside.