



SAFETY BRIEF

CARGO THEFT PREVENTION

Cargo theft costs U.S. businesses \$15-\$30 billion each year. Here are some steps you can take to prevent becoming a victim of cargo theft.

SAFETY TIPS

- Inspect the security devices on the vehicle prior to departure
- Compare the itemized shipping document with your own count of the actual pallets or packages and report any differences
- Park in well-lit parking lots
- Make sure the trailer doors are parked up against a fence or other obstacle
- Always lock the cab of the vehicle and bring the keys with you, even if you won't be gone long
- Use a kingpin lock device on your trailer hitch when the power unit is detached
- Use a strong, metal padlock on the trailer doors
- Avoid stopping or pulling over in high-crime areas
- Do not let your cargo sit for a long period of time
- Ask to see proper identification of the person accepting the delivery to ensure they are the correct recipient
- Keep important information easily accessible (e.g., VIN license plate number, trailer number and description of the trailer)



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