



## Toronto Hot Spots for Auto Theft Fact Sheet

Vehicle theft is a serious, ongoing phenomenon that has a direct negative impact on the public in Ontario. According to statistics from the Provincial Auto Theft Team (PATT) of the Ontario Provincial Police, 52,000 cars are stolen per year in Ontario at a cost of \$450 to \$500 million, which equals \$48 per insurance holder.

You'll find below the hot spots in Toronto for auto theft based on the Annual Statistical Report issued by the Toronto Police Service.

### GTA Hot spot

Spot	Vehicles stolen in 2007
1. Scarborough	1932
2. North York	1436
3. Etobicoke	1302
4. Downtown Toronto	1,029

Boomerang Tracking is working closely with police forces to help recover stolen vehicles to their owner often in less than one hour.

### Boomerang's Contribution

- Boomerang Tracking launched Auto Theft Awareness Month in November to educate the public on protecting their vehicles.
- Boomerang Tracking has published a guide to protect vehicles from theft called Keeping Track Booklet, available at [www.boomerangtracking.com](http://www.boomerangtracking.com)
  - Tests the reader with a Myths and Realities quiz
  - Includes a review of vehicle theft in Canada
  - Describes the four methods of prevention against car theft
- Boomerang Tracking has launched a YouTube channel to better educate drivers. The video entitled "Auto Theft Prevention 101" presents these four methods to prevent theft and is viewable at <http://www.youtube.com/boomerangtracking>
- Experts on vehicle theft protection are available for interviews.