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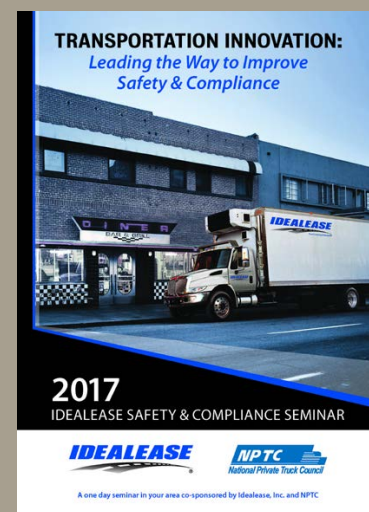
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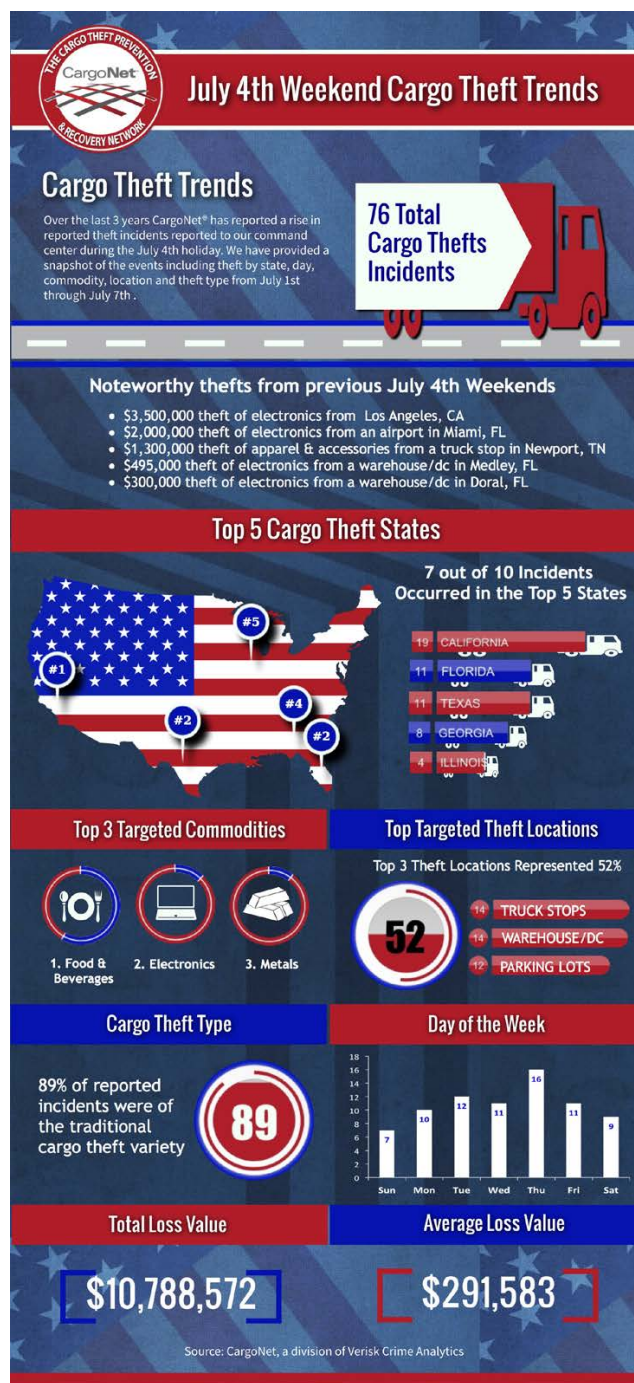
Have you prepared your terminal facility for the long 4th of July holiday weekend?

It is not uncommon for thieves to target truck terminals and truck dealerships over the holidays. Thieves know that holiday weekends are a good opportunity for a successful theft as the possibility exists for no one to be at your facility.

Make sure that you take extra precaution to secure the trucks and items of value at your facility. If your units do not have anti-siphon devices or locking caps, instruct the drivers not to fill the units at the end of the day. Make sure that all security alarms and cameras are in working order. Walk the perimeter of the



Idealease and the National Private Truck Council NPTC will again be hosting safety seminars in 2017. The one day seminar this year will focus on the new Electronic Logging Device (ELD) regulation, basic safety and compliance, regulation changes and CSA. The seminars and will be provided to all Idealease customers, potential customers and NPTC members at no charge. The seminar provides important information applicable for both the novice and experienced transportation professionals. To register for an upcoming seminar in 2017 click on the following link:



lot to make sure that security fencing are in good condition. Move units and all other material such as pallets, tires, etc far enough away from the fence so they cannot be used to climb on to get over the fence. Review your security lighting to make sure it is operational and adequate. Lighting can be obstructed by vehicles or trees allowing a thief a place to be unseen. Consider blocking the entrance and exits to the lot so units cannot be stolen. Throughout the three day weekend assign management personnel to check the terminal randomly. Notify local law enforcement officials of your hours of operation over the holidays so they know when to expect activity at your location. Using a little prevention and common sense can deter a thief from striking your facility and disrupting your business!

As we enjoy grilling with family and an extra day off this July 4th weekend, cargo thieves will be seeking to get rich by stealing truckloads of nonalcoholic beverages, major appliances, and copper. During 2012 to 2015, CargoNet analyzed cargo theft data in the United States and Canada from July 2 to July 9 and noted that those were some of the most popular theft categories. Cargo theft has always spiked during holiday weekends, but we expect a particularly bad July 4th since it falls on Monday. Many truckers will park their trucks on Thursday or Friday and will not

<http://www2.idealease.com/e/36492/safety-seminar-registration/5csrtn/577916639>

Idealease 2017 Safety Seminar Schedule

Date	Location
September 12	Santa Rosa, CA
October 3	Charlottesville, VA
October 4	Erie, PA

check on them again until Tuesday.

In total, 119 incidents were reported during this time period. Eighty-one (81) of those incidents involved cargo theft. Food and beverage items were the most stolen items during this period, with 20 thefts. Cargo thieves also targeted household goods (15 thefts) and electronics (11 thefts). In 2014, thieves aggressively targeted metals, and CargoNet recorded six thefts of copper, steel, aluminum, and brass, but there was just one theft of metals in 2015. Additionally, in this reporting period, 70 semitractors and 64 semitrailers were reported stolen. Incidents were reported mostly in California (21), Texas (19), Florida (15), and Georgia (15). In total, CargoNet estimates \$10.63 million in losses during this reporting period, but aside from 2013, each reporting period resulted in \$2 million to \$2.6 million in losses.

Truckers can protect their trucks and freight by avoiding high-theft metropolitan areas such as Los Angeles, Dallas-Fort Worth, Atlanta, and Miami and by parking in high-security locations with security services, secure fences, and high-visibility lighting.

Noteworthy thefts from previous July 4th weekends

- \$2,000,000 of cell phones from Miami, FL
- \$1,300,000 of apparel and accessories from Newport, TN
- \$659,090 in cash and other valuable items from San Angelo, TX
- \$500,000 in electronics from Carnesville, GA
- \$495,210 in televisions and other displays from Medley, FL

Here are a few tips if you have to keep cargo inside of trailers over the holiday weekend:

- Use all available security equipment to secure trailers while they are being staged. King Pin Locks and landing gear locks are recommended, with high-security locks on the cargo doors. The tractor and trailer should remain locked and connected the entire weekend.
- Stage loads at secure company yards whenever possible. According to FreightWatch, 86% of reported cargo thefts occur in unsecured parking areas.
- Install covert tracking systems on all shipments and monitor the location of all loads left staged over the weekend.

Independence Day Holiday

During this Independence Day weekend, please take a moment to honor America and all that we are. Also, remember our military servicemen and women who are protecting our freedom across the globe and fighting for those who do not have the liberty our great country provides. Let us never forget those who have sacrificed before us to protect the United States and the values we hold dear.



The next Idealease Safety Bulletin will be on July 14th because of the 4th of July Holiday next week.

Have a Happy and Safe 4th of July!!!

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