

Catalytic Converter Theft Rising

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Background

- Thefts of catalytic converters off of cars are on the rise in the U.S.
- From 2018 to present, annual thefts have risen from around 1,300 to over 52,000.
- These thefts are being driven by both strong resale value as well as the value of precious metals found within the part itself.
- Experienced bad actors can remove this valuable part off a car within minutes.
- Replacement costs for the part can check in between \$1,000-\$3,000 for the victim.

*Source for background facts: National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB)

Deeper Insight

Babel Street analysts, accessing publicly available information spread across a wide range of disparate news sources, painted a broad picture of this increasingly bad situation. Investigations into criminal activity can be significantly aided through use of our platform including social media monitoring and network mapping, deep and dark web data gathering, identity resolution, and more.

pedfire.com from WordPress 2022-12-30 20:33 Z

Post: Drivers warned of **catalytic converter** thefts going unsolved by police (194460018.1533440)

trendradars.com 2023-01-02 13:22 Z

Feds make \$545M bust in stolen **catalytic converters** as frequency of thefts ...

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Catalytic converters, cash found in Long Beach home raid

Nassau County Police seized thousands of **catalytic converters** and cash during a raid in Long Beach on Wednesday, Dec. 14.

The **converters** and cash, which was about \$4 million, were found in the homes and scrapyards of two Long Beach residents and brothers Andrew 24 and Alan Pawelski 20.

The Power of Publicly Available Information: US Catalytic Converter Thefts



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