



CYCLING SAFETY



Tips To Prevent Motorcycle Theft

(NAPSA)—According to the National Insurance Crime Bureau, more than 60,000 motorcycles were stolen last year: that's one bike stolen every 8.7 minutes. The good news is that there are simple steps that can help you protect your bike.

Leading motorcycle insurer Progressive offers these tips:

- When you're home, store your bike in a secure place like your garage, shed, or gated and locked yard.

- Always remove the key from your ignition and keep your front fork locked.

- Garage your bike out of plain view whenever possible.

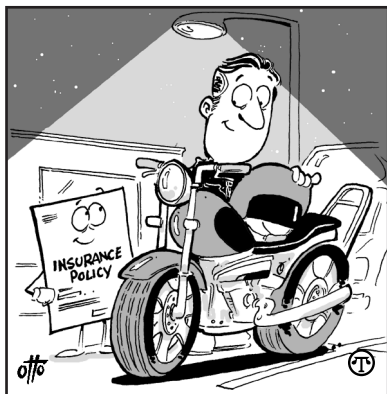
- When parking in public, check on your bike frequently.

- If you have to park outdoors, do so in well-lit, secure areas. Look for an outdoor security camera and park in its view if you can.

- Always carry your registration and insurance card with you when you ride, but keep your title at home or in another secure place.

- Lock your bike to a stationary object or to another motorcycle when traveling with others. Use high-quality locking devices.

- Consider adding an audible alarm or tracking device. Systems like LoJack can not only help you locate your bike if it's stolen, but in several states, Progressive also offers a 20 percent discount on Comprehensive coverage if you



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have one installed on your bike. Check with your local independent agent to find out what discounts are available.

- Check with your agent to make sure you have the right coverage. If your bike is stolen, liability-only insurance won't cover the loss. Make sure your policy has Comprehensive coverage.

- And if your motorcycle is less than two years old, consider adding coverage such as Progressive's Total Loss Replacement to your policy. This coverage will pay for a brand-new bike of the same make and model if your bike is stolen or totaled.

For more information or to find an agent nearby, visit www.motorcycle.progressiveagent.com.