

HOLIDAY HOME SECURITY



A CHECKLIST FOR PROTECTING YOUR HOME WHEN YOU'RE AWAY

Last Thanksgiving, <u>43 million Americans</u> drove 50 miles or more to carve the turkey with their friends and family. And, last year, <u>30% of Americans</u> traveled 50 miles or more from home during the year-end holiday season.

If you're traveling this holiday season, complete this simple checklist to ensure your home is secure when you're away.

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	Have you locked every door or window, including the	, , , , ,
3	door to your garage?	*****
	Have you secured your pet doors (if any)?	*****
	Have you double-checked securing your sliding doors (if any)?	
	If you have a home security system, have you activated it?	About 40% of burglaries don't
	Have you locked up your ladders, tools, and lawn furniture?	involve forcible entry. Just by properly securing your home, you can reduce
	Have you put your valuables in a safe or safety deposit box?	your chances of unlawful intrusion.
	Have you removed any "hidden" keys?	
	KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOR	
h	Have you asked a trusted neighbor to:	
	Watch your house?	
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	Hold onto your emergency contact information?	In a survey of burglars, 51% checked
	Collect any newspapers, flyers, or mail that might arrive?	for a car in the driveway before
	Park a car in your driveway?	committing their crime.
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1 /11	ANYONE HOME?	0 (1)
百百	Have you considered putting lights, TVs, or radios on	2,
ш	intermittent timers?	· 12.
	Have you trimmed any overgrown trees or shrubbery?	
	Have you considered installing motion-sensing lights?	C00/ C1
	Have you broken down any large cardboard boxes?	In the same survey, 60% of burglars would avoid a 'target' if there was any
	Have you avoided posting about your travel plans on social media?	evidence of people being inside.