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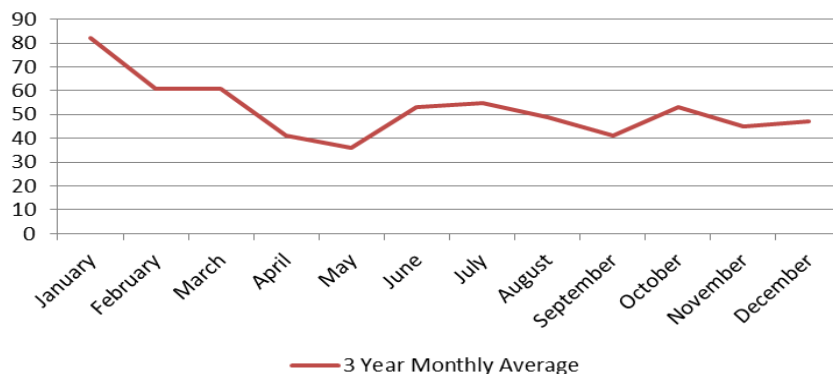
Incident: Abbotsford Auto Theft Facts

Abbotsford – February 8, 2012.

Over the last year the Abbotsford Police Department has encouraged owners of the most frequently stolen vehicles to take advantage of our free anti-theft device offers. We have repeatedly reminded owners and drivers to lock their vehicles and to keep their valuables with them or out of sight. Still, cars and trucks continue to be stolen in our city. While we have reduced the overall number of stolen vehicles (34% reduction 2009 to 2011), we believe many thefts can be avoided and that collectively we can make it even tougher on auto thieves. Today we are providing our citizens with this auto theft fact sheet so they can make informed decisions concerning safeguarding their vehicles.

For the last 3 years (2009 – 2011) the months of January, February and March have been the worst for auto theft in Abbotsford. Statistically the first quarter of the year presents the greatest threat that your vehicle will be stolen. On average 33% of all Auto Thefts throughout the year occur within these three months.

3 Year Monthly Average



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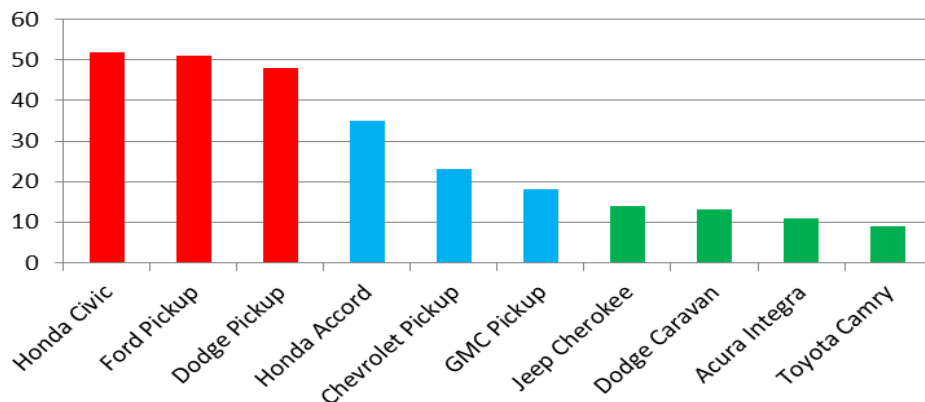
Rank	Month	3 Year Monthly Average
1	January	82
2	February	61
3	March	61
4	July	55
5	October	53
6	June	53
7	August	49
8	December	47
9	November	45
10	September	41
11	April	41
12	May	36

The top ten most frequently stolen vehicles in Abbotsford include domestic and foreign makes and models, passenger cars, pickup trucks and vans. On average, 44% of all Abbotsford stolen autos in the past 3 years have fallen into our Top 10 Stolen Auto category.

Top 10 Stolen Vehicles in Abbotsford

Rank	Make/Model	2011	2010	2009	3 Year Average
1	Honda Civic	48	54	54	52
2	Ford Pickup	38	43	72	51
3	Dodge Pickup	61	30	54	48
4	Honda Accord	40	49	17	35
5	Chevrolet Pickup	7	24	37	23
6	GMC Pickup	14	12	28	18
7	Jeep Cherokee	9	17	16	14
8	Dodge Caravan	11	15	14	13
9	Acura Integra	14	10	8	11
10	Toyota Camry	4	7	15	9

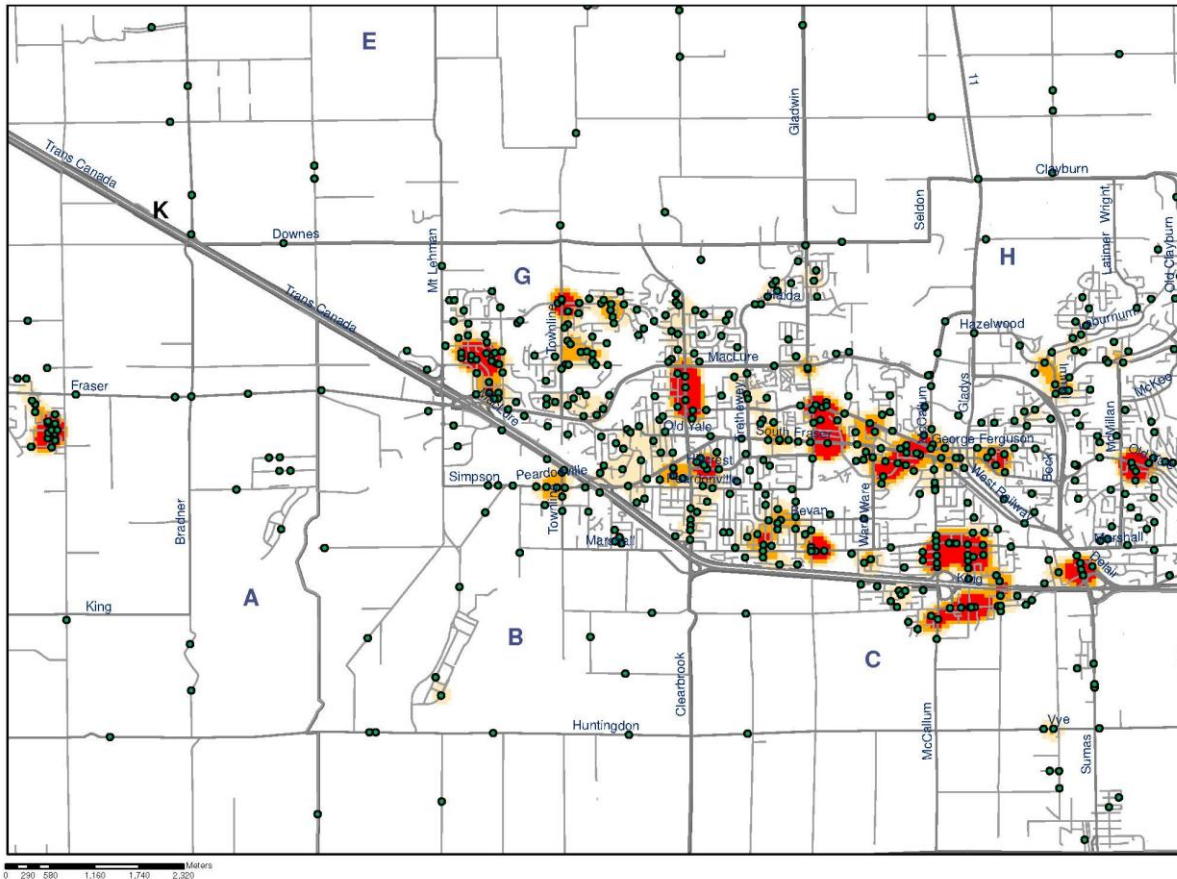
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Vehicles are stolen from many areas in our city. The incident density map below shows where the top 10 vehicles have been stolen from. Regardless of where you live you can take steps to protect your vehicle. Use an anti-theft device. Lock your doors. Keep your valuables with you and not in plain view in your vehicle.

Active Areas for Thefts of Top 10 Stolen Vehicles



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