

CARGO THEFT



Cargo theft and increasingly sophisticated fraud schemes have become pervasive threats for motor carriers and the broader supply chain, with organized criminal networks exploiting spoofed identities, falsified documentation, cyber intrusions, and artificial intelligence to execute highly coordinated “strategic theft” operations. These crimes are estimated to cost the supply chain roughly \$19 million per day, disrupting freight movement, increasing costs for carriers, and ultimately impacting businesses and consumers across the country.

These three states represented 51.9% of all theft reported to CargoNet in 2025.



1. California



2. Texas



3. Illinois

According to 2025 data, cargo theft losses escalated sharply, rising **60%** from 2024 to nearly **\$725 million**.

Confirmed theft incidents increased **18%**, and the average loss per theft climbed **36%** to **\$273,990** as organized groups focused on higher-value shipments.

Top Targeted Location Types



Truck Stops



Warehouses & Distribution Centers

Top Stolen Commodities



Household Goods



Food & Beverage



Electronics

States that have seen an increase in theft activity this past year



New Jersey
+50%



Indiana
+30%



Pennsylvania
+24%