



Tackling cycle theft

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A chronic problem:

- 30 million bikes in UK.
- Annual sales: +1 million from 50/100 factories
- 300k stolen per annum

No single solution:

- A total system to address.
- No solution from EU or USA

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Cycle industry actions:

- Security advice: [BA Guide to Cycle Security](#)
- Lock certification: [Sold Secure](#)
- Voluntary registration schemes
- Insurance
- Cycle parking [infrastructure standard](#)

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Cycle industry technology:

- Angle grinder resistant locks
- E-bike immobilisers
- GPS tracking

BUT:

- Enforcement often depends on police – practical?

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Cycle industry – further opportunities:

- Stolen goods on online marketplaces
- Thefts from retail outlets
- Single point of access for registration schemes