



Australian Association  
**of Progressive Repairers**

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**To: The Parliamentary Joint Committee on Law Enforcement**

**THE AUSTRALIAN ASSOCIATION OF PROGRESSIVE REPAIRERS (AAPR)**

The Australian Association of Progressive Repairers (AAPR) is a not for profit Automotive Repairers Association. AAPR estimates that our members carry out up to 400,000 automotive body repairs per year across Australia.

On behalf of our Association we appreciate the opportunity to submit our views on this issue.

**Submission: The Theft and Export of Motor Vehicles and Parts in Australia**

AAPR can advise the committee that the pre-eminent source of information on this subject is supplied by the National Motor Vehicle Theft Reduction Council, NMVTRC, [www.carsafe.com.au/theft-watch](http://www.carsafe.com.au/theft-watch).

The NMVTRC is a council comprised of participating Insurers, Police Services, Registration Authorities, Federal Chamber of Automotive Industries, Glass's Guide working collaboratively to provide this information.

**AAPR notes the following:** from the NMVTRC Carsafe website - ([carsafe.com.au/dashboard#tab1](http://carsafe.com.au/dashboard#tab1))

- Profit motivated thefts for all vehicles nationally has fallen from 2013 to 2017 levels by -2.5%
- Profit motivated thefts for motor cycles nationally has risen from 2013 to 2017 levels by +2.7%
- Profit motivated thefts for other vehicles nationally has fallen from 2013 to 2017 levels by -23.3%

AAPR also notes that the heavy vehicle sector needs to be singled out as being insufficiently categorized and represented as "Other Vehicles" in the MNVTRC information portals.

**PARTS:** AAPR notes that Subaru has a DATA DOT program that identifies all of its parts using the Vehicle Identification Number, VIN, and promotes this on all new parts sold to the motor vehicle repair industry.

Kind Regards

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