

# Theft of solar inverters



## Overview

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### PV theft & fire ticker PV park

On Friday, December 13th, 2024, unknown perpetrators gained access to the solar farm by scaling the fence. Hundreds of meters of cable and several inverters were stolen.



['Solar theft' - why is it on the rise and how can farms protect](#)

Unfortunately, what should be a virtuous initiative is giving rise to a new crime wave, with police data showing a staggering 48% rise in solar panel and cabling theft from 2021 to 2022.

### DeterTech Solar Crime Paper

Read on for a high-level understanding of the latest solar farm crime trends. We will also provide recommendations for how you can start to tackle this growing issue and showcase how DeterTech's



### Contact the Federal Trade Commission

The FTC will never demand money, make threats, tell you to transfer money, or promise you a prize.

## [Solar Panel Theft and Vandalism, Protecting Your](#)

To effectively combat solar panel theft and vandalism, it's crucial to understand the nature of the threat and the motivations behind these criminal



### **Advice for Consumers**

What Consumers Can Do About Identity Theft  
There are many steps consumers can take to minimize their risk of being an identity theft victim. For example, consumers should closely guard

### **Red Flags Rule**

The Red Flags Rule requires many businesses and organizations to implement a written Identity Theft Prevention Program designed to detect the warning signs - or red flags - of identity theft in their day



### [False alarm, real scam: how scammers are stealing older adults' life](#)

The security of your accounts, along with the risk of identity theft, are real concerns that real companies might call you about. So how can you stay vigilant and steer clear of these scams?

### **Help protect yourself and the older adults in your life from identity theft**

Identity theft can happen anytime and at any age. Whether you're working or retired, building your credit or have a lifetime of experience, identity thieves will target anyone.





### [46 Critical Flaws Found In Solar Inverters Models of](#)

Security researchers at Forescout Vedere Labs have identified 46 critical vulnerabilities in solar inverters manufactured by three leading solar

### [Protecting Your Investment: Understanding Solar Power Equipment](#)

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### **Crime and security for solar PV sites**

The impacts of serious theft on a solar asset owner can result in lost revenues, lost energy generation and sometimes lost insurance and ability to



### **Report Identity Theft**

Consumers can report identity theft at [IdentityTheft.gov](http://IdentityTheft.gov), the federal government's one-stop resource to help people report and recover from identity theft. The site provides step-by-step

### **Consumer Sentinel Network Data Book**

## 2024

The 2024 Consumer Sentinel Network Data Book (Sentinel Data Book) has aggregated information about what consumers told us last year on the full range of fraud, identity theft, and other consumer



### [Forescout SUN:DOWN research uncovers critical](#)

New research by Forescout Research's Vedere Labs exposed vulnerabilities in solar power systems after analyzing six major solar inverter

### [The 2024 Outlook for Solar Panel Theft & How Radar](#)

In this article, we'll discuss the history and projected growth of the solar industry, specific incidents of solar panel theft, why solar panels make



### [New FTC Data Show a Big Jump in Reported Losses to Fraud to](#)

Sentinel received 6.5 million reports in 2024; these include the fraud reports detailed above, as well as identity theft reports and complaints related to other consumer issues, such as

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