WHERE THIEVES GAIN ENTRY

- **Front Door**: 34%
- **Garage**: 9%
- **First Floor Windows**: 23%
- **Basement**: 4%
- **Back Door**: 22%
- **Unlocked Entrances & Storage Areas**: 6%

PRECAUTIONS YOU CAN TAKE

**Burglars Search for Homes that Appear to be Unoccupied**: A car in the driveway, motion-sensitive exterior lights, and TVs on timers all give the impression that someone is in the home. Stop newspaper and mail delivery and have neighbors watch your home.

**Burglars Want to Spend No More than 60 Seconds Breaking into a Home**: Measures that raise this time - deadbolt locks, bars on windows, and pins in sash windows - might change a burglar's mind.

**Don't Give Burglars Any Help**: Clear shrubs & trees around your home. Don’t give burglars a place to hide. Secure tool sheds and ladders. Some thieves will steal tools from around your property and use them to break windows.

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**Timing**
- Every 14.6 seconds, a burglary takes place in the US.
- Most burglaries occur between 10AM to 3PM.
- Burglars spend an average of 8 to 12 minutes in your home.

**Avg. Loss Per Burglary**: $1,725

**Targets**
- 65.8% of burglaries are residential.
- Homes without security systems are about three times as likely to be broken into than homes with security systems.
- First stop: Usually the master bedroom because most people keep their valuables there.
- Favorite items: Cash, jewelry, electronic equipment, silver, guns, and other items easy to sell.

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