



50 years of FWD

Audi has been building front-wheel-drive cars for 50 years. Using its established skills, the company is introducing a new Coupe to the United States. The Coupe

achieves 38 mpg highway, 21 mpg city, but features a trunk-mounted spare and a wrap-around air dam in front for a muscular look.

Private groups form auto theft task force

The nation's first privately financed task force of undercover police officers assigned to investigate and break up auto theft rings was formed last week by the Michigan Anti-Car Theft Campaign Committee.

The task force, which is made up of federal, state and local police, has recovered more than \$110,000 in stolen vehicles and parts, according to Frank Skinner, Michigan ACT chairman.

Two teams of undercover police officers working out of the Michigan State Police Criminal Investigation Section also have recovered more than \$52,000 in stolen construction equipment.

"Auto theft is a serious problem in this country, costing over \$104 million in Michigan alone last year," Skinner said.

"WE FEEL our auto theft task force is off to a fine start, thanks to the cooperation of law enforcement agencies and the private sector."

The undercover auto theft task force is paid by contributions from insurance companies, banks, national rental car companies and automakers.

Manpower has been supplied by the Michigan State Police, Wayne County Sheriff's Department, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Dearborn, Redford Township and Detroit Police departments and the National Automobile Theft Bureau.

"The auto theft investigations, which began April 1, primarily are directed at commercialized theft rings that steal from multiple jurisdictions. One case investigation and arrest involved two "chop shop" operators who admitted to having cut up more than 100 cars stolen from the Detroit area in the past year.

ANOTHER CASE involved the investigation of an auto parts scrap yard in which stolen auto parts were recovered. Arrests also have been made in an interstate ring dealing in stolen luxury cars and in ring selling stolen parts for sports cars.

Targets of the task force investigation include:

- Chop shop operations.
- Salvage operations.
- Prudential title and registration operations.
- Operations involving vehicle identification number alterations.
- Insurance fraud.
- Professional car thieves.

The Michigan ACT Committee was formed in 1977 by police, insurance companies and other parties concerned with the rise in auto theft. The committee has waged a public awareness campaign through its "Lock It and Pocket the Key" radio and television public service announcements and has sponsored auto theft training seminars for police.

676 Oldsmobile
CUTLASS 1979 Brougham, loaded, low miles. Call after 5:30. 421-3344
CUTLASS 1978, Callan, loaded, after 5:30. 421-3344

678 Plymouth
DUSTER 1974, Good condition, Brown, 111K or best offer. 331-7121
SATYRETT 1973 Station Wagon, good transportation. 339-1441
SATYRETT 1972, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2042, 2043, 2044, 2045, 2046, 2047, 2048, 2049, 2050, 2051, 2052, 2053, 2054, 2055, 2056, 2057, 2058, 2059, 2060, 2061, 2062, 2063, 2064, 2065, 2066, 2067, 2068, 2069, 2070, 2071, 2072, 2073, 2074, 2075, 2076, 2077, 2078, 2079, 2080, 2081, 2082, 2083, 2084, 2085, 2086, 2087, 2088, 2089, 2090, 2091, 2092, 2093, 2094, 2095, 2096, 2097, 2098, 2099, 2100, 2101, 2102, 2103, 2104, 2105, 2106, 2107, 2108, 2109, 2110, 2111, 2112, 2113, 2114, 2115, 2116, 2117, 2118, 2119, 2120, 2121, 2122, 2123, 2124, 2125, 2126, 2127, 2128, 2129, 2130, 2131, 2132, 2133, 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