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RAC reveals worst metro suburbs for home break-ins

RAC has released its home burglaries analysis for 2014, highlighting the worst suburbs for home break-in claims throughout the State, according to RAC Insurance claims data.

RAC Product Manager Home Insurance Brad Warren said Bassendean, Beechboro and Thornlie all topped the list as the suburb with the highest number of claims last year.

"Suburbs Morley and Duncraig also ranked highly in RAC's burglary claims analysis, which sends a clear message that more needs to be done to combat crime in the north east metropolitan region," Mr Warren said.

"Many home break-ins are opportunistic in nature. Our advice is to always lock your doors and windows, even when you're home. Employing a range of home security measures and having a simple home alarm can also act as a big deterrent and could save you money on your insurance premium.

"Our WA lifestyle means we need to be extra vigilant in locking our front door so as not to be vulnerable to smash and grabs through the front door. Thieves can quickly enter via the front door and take anything portable within arm's reach, including car keys, all within 30-seconds.

"Make sure you've got your home contents and valuables covered. And make sure you've got the right level of cover so in the event of a theft you aren't left out of pocket and can replace what you've lost."

Here's the complete list of worst performing suburbs in 2014, based on RAC data from more than 2,500 claims:

- Bassendean Beechboro
 - Thornlie
- 2. Morley
- 3. Duncraig
- Canning Vale Hamilton Hill
- 5. Gosnells
- 6. Spearwood
- 7. Armadale
- 8. Rockingham
- 9. Baldivis
 Port Kennedy
- 10. Ballajura

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