

# SECURITY NEWSLETTER



## 12 FACTS ABOUT BULLETPROOF\* GLASS YOU DIDN'T KNOW

Bulletproof\* glass is like money, food, shelter, health, and more...best to have it and not need it than to need it and not have it. That sounds great for the rich, powerful, and famous, but what about you and me? Here are some surprising facts about bulletproof glass you can't afford to miss.

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# Armitek Business News

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Armitek expands contract with Texas Instruments. Grand opening for **Clearly Safe Auto**, providing window repair, replacement, tinting, and security film for autos.

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## BROKEN WINDOWS: 3 ATTEMPTED ROBBERIES WORRY RESIDENTS

Broken Windows at Three Buildings Point to Suspect Recently, an adult male entered a business through windows he broke at the front of Central Bank, then drove to Discount Guns and Ammo to break-(Continued p. 3)



## ALARMING RISE IN BURGLARIES: 6 SURPRISING FACTS

In a nation where burglaries occur every 30 seconds, the statistics are undeniably unsettling. The FBI reports that a staggering two home burglaries happen each minute, contributing to over 3,000 daily incidents. With this alarming frequency, a State of Safety survey reveals that break-ins and burglaries are the second most-feared property crime. Business break-ins and theft are significantly on the rise as well.

The financial aftermath of a home burglary is substantial, with an average (Continued p. 2) (Surprising Facts Continued) loss of \$2,661. Beyond the monetary toll, victims often grapple with the emotional impact, as burglars frequently target items of sentimental value, leaving lasting scars on their mental health. Businesses feel violated as well, losing valuable inventory, which comes straight out of profits and affects owners and employees.

#### 1. The Reality of Rise in Burglaries

Our survey findings align with national concerns – burglary is one of the most-feared property crimes. Home burglaries often occur during the day, with statistics showing that large numbers happen between noon and 4pm, when people are away. However, a large number of them also occur when people are present. Armitek Security Film provides around-the-clock protection, ensuring your property remains secure at all times at your weakest entry point, glass.

#### 2. A Timely Investment

As temperatures change, so does a rise burglaries, with a notable increase of approximately 10% in warm months. Armitek Security Film is your proactive defense against seasonal spikes in criminal activity. Contact us now to ensure your protection is installed before the temperatures increase.

#### 3. Securing Your Peace of Mind

As rural states and metropolitan areas witness a rise in burglaries, both renters and homeowners are vulnerable. Armitek Security Film bridges this, offering comprehensive protection regardless of your place of business or residence.

#### 4. Burglary Rates Continue Strong

While burglary rates continue strong, losses amounting to \$3 billion cannot be ignored. Armitek Security Film empowers you to take control of your security, with studies showing that this type of security significantly deters burglars. *Businesses* 

More and more businesses that have other security measures are finding criminals breaking in through glass, stealing items and leaving quickly, making the other security measures nearly ineffective.

#### 5. Sliding Glass Doors and Windows

Sliding glass doors and windows can be easy to shatter, leaving them vulnerable to attack. An important safety option includes the installation of shatter-resistant film to protect against a rise in burglaries.

#### 6. Take Action Now - Armitek Shatter-Resistant Glass Security Film

Armitek encourages you to be proactive, not reactive, in securing your home and business. Don't wait until you become a victim – invest in an affordable Armitek <u>Security Film</u> product today. Protect your people, and valuables, and ensure a future where safety is not just a priority but a relief.

(Bulletproof Continued) The following are interesting facts about bulletproof\* glass:

- 1. Is it legal to own bulletproof glass? Buying and installing bulletproof\* glass is entirely legal in the United States.
- 2. *Is bulletproof\* glass affordable?* Bulletproof glass can cost around \$30 to \$100 per square foot. The cost depends on thickness, glass type, level of safety, installation costs, etc. Compare that to about \$100 per square foot to build a deck, or \$100 to \$220 per square foot to build a house, and it can be much more affordable than many people think.
- 3. **Can bulletproof\* glass stop a high caliber bullet?** Level 8 (UL 752) bulletproof\* glass is designed to withstand five rounds from a 7.62mm rifle. Level 1 is designed to withstand three rounds from a 9mm handgun. There are several options for level of protection, as desired.
- 4. *Is anything really bulletproof\*?* No material is strong enough to be completely bulletproof. Certain materials are very effective at dissipating a bullet's energy. So, bullet resistant is considered a more accurate term than bulletproof.
- 5. How thick is bulletproof\* glass? The thickness ranges from 0.25 inches to 3.5 inches. As the thickness increases, so does the weight.
- 6. *How much does bulletproof glass weigh?* It starts around 8 pounds per square foot. Armitek touts the world's thinnest and lightest ballistic (bulletproof\*) glass to meet multiple UL 752 protection levels.
- 7. *How is bulletproof\* glass made?* Layers of polycarbonate plastics are placed between layers of glass to help absorb impact. The bonding process helps strengthen the glass and makes it as clear as possible.
- 8. *Can anyone install bulletproof glass?* It is highly recommended, for maximum protection, that bulletproof glass be installed by a professional glazier. Glaziers specialize in installing different glass products. Armitek provides top-level bulletproof\* glass installation.
- 9. *Can existing windows be retrofit for bulletproof\* glass?* Armitek has a patent pending process that can retrofit existing windows for bulletproof\* glass in several instances. This can save a significant amount of money for businesses and consumers on installation.
- 10. *Is there any way to make existing bulletproof glass even safer?* Security film is a product comprised of thick layers of clear plastics that are compressed flat to a film that is used to hold shattered glass together. Adding shatter safe film to glass can increase the safety and security with the purpose of absorbing impact and holding glass together.
- 11. How long does bulletproof\* glass last? It's lifespan can last up to 20 years.
- 12. Who invented bulletproof glass? Chemist Edouard Benedictus in 1903.









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in through windows, then he hit Springville Meats, where the suspect repeated his offenses. Residents helped identify the alleged burglar with the help of surveillance video. This all happened in Springville, Utah, long considered a safe, quiet town.

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"Springville is quickly becoming the 'West Valley' of Utah County," said Adam Deem. Cameron Mott added, "Deadbeat. Come on! Leave our small businesses alone." West Valley City is near Salt Lake City, to the West, and is considered a higher crime area.

#### **Rash of Crimes**

Just in the month of November, Springville has been plagued by a shooting that led to the death of a man and a SWAT standoff after a deadly shooting, that led to the arrest of three suspects. Earlier this year, there was a carjacking with shots fired, and there have been multiple break-ins as well.

Dean Williams from Springville said, "I really hate being new here."



#### **Options to Protect Themselves**

As residents express frustration over waves of crime in their area, it is clear something must be done. An established company in Orem, Utah offers solutions for businesses, schools, homes, and vehicles. Armitek, started in 2016, manufactures and installs ballistic glass (aka bulletproof glass\*), Smash and Grab security film, which prevents intrusions by holding shattered glass together, electronic security options, and safe rooms. These offer the ability for anyone to take their safety into their own hands by fortifying weak entry points, such as glass.



According to Dustin Van Wagoner, General Manager at Armitek, "We are making security products affordable to everyone. Everyone deserves to feel protected and safe from harm." He added that many of the options can cost less than other home remodeling projects. Van Wagoner said, "It's worthwhile to check it out and see if it works for you. We give free security evaluations, so why not see for yourself."

Armitek was founded in 2016 to provide security products for businesses, schools, homes, and vehicles. Armitek is an industry leader in ballistic glass (aka bulletproof glass\*), security film, Smash and Grab® protection, safe rooms, electronic security, and installation. Contact Armitek for a free security evaluation today!

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