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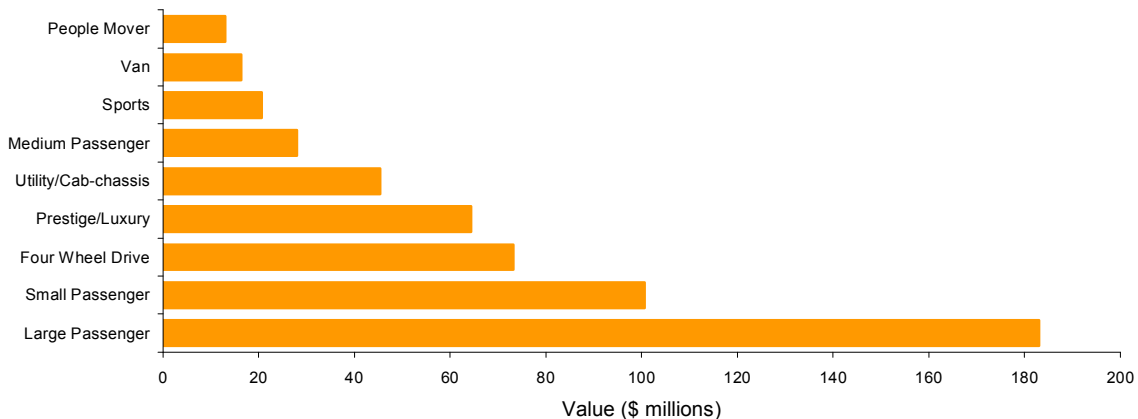
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## \$550 MILLION: THE ANNUAL VALUE OF STOLEN CARS

Annual Value of Stolen Vehicles by Segment



**\$550 million dollars** worth of passenger or light commercial (PLC) motor vehicles were stolen across Australia in the twelve months to March 2005. This equates to more than \$1.5 million dollars per day.

The large passenger vehicle segment was the highest value category at \$183 million. Examples of large passenger vehicles are the Holden Commodore, Ford Falcon, Mitsubishi Magna and Toyota Camry.

Large passenger vehicles comprise 42% of PLC thefts for the year, but 33% of the total value. This contrasts with four wheel

drives that make up only 5% of thefts, but 12% of the value.

Glass's Information Services are one of the leading providers of pricing and identification information to the automotive and allied industries. Electronic data from Glass's was used to allocate a value and a market segment to individual stolen vehicle records. The value for vehicles up to ten years old comprised the recommended retail price or the median value achieved by a franchise dealer. For older vehicles, the value was the price for an average condition vehicle.

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