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Anne & Lynn Wheeler <[lynn@garlic.com](mailto:lynn@garlic.com)> wrote in  
news:[uptzgist5.fsf@earthlink.net](mailto:uptzgist5.fsf@earthlink.net):

- > another area of consumer device requiring security has been
- > automobiles ... from technical expertise standpoint has lots of
- > similarities to computers (how many people rebuild ignitions and locks
- > in their automobiles to be more secure). lots of joy-ridding is not
- > treated as serious felony.
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- > over possibly last 20 year period there was some improvement ... in
- > part because of competition between manufactors ... especially after
- > some of the foreign imports beame a serious consideration (the
- > corollary would probably mean basic operating system competition
- > ... since serious security requires support by the basic operating
- > system). also insurance rates/policies had some role in rating
- > competing models and adjusting the rates. Insurance possibly plays a
- > similar role in security devices for homes.
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- > there are possibly only a couple after-market security devices for
- > automobiles ... with significant market penetration ... and they took
- > possibly 100 years to show up.

well if you check the computer security over the last 50 years you will see  
that it has improved beyond what one might have expected. :)

it's been quite a drastic improvement of computer security even if you only  
look at the past ten years.

and if you would compare automobiles with computers then computers are much  
safer since you can't reach under a hood of an automobil and install a  
almost perfect crash preventer (as you can when you install a firewall at  
least under "UNIX-like" operation systems, DROPIng everything) :)

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