

Examining the “Hotspots” for Mail Theft/Stolen Checks

Mail theft and mail carrier robberies are a major factor contributing to the rise in check fraud over the past half decade. Criminals know that within those familiar USPS blue mail boxes are hundreds of documents that can fetch a small fortune, including credit/debit cards, personal identification information -- and, of course, paper checks. To get easy access, criminals are targeting mail carriers to steal the arrow keys to unlock the mailboxes.

In a new article from 7 On Your Side Investigates, the news station notes:

282 postal keys were reported lost or stolen in New York alone last year. That's almost double the amount of 155 from the year before. We're on track to surpass that in 2025.

New Jersey had 191 keys in 2023 and 2024 combined. The small state of Connecticut, 143, for the same time period.

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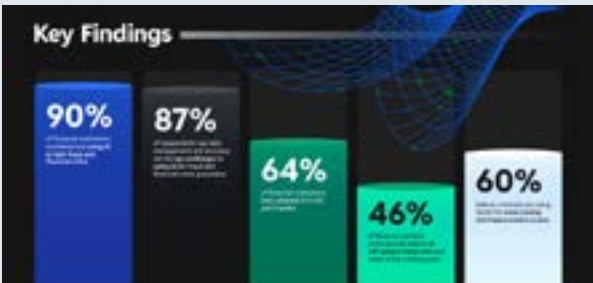


Why We Can't Just “Write Off” Paper Checks

"I think we're probably rushing towards the point where checks just aren't going to be a thing anymore."

This is a quote directly from a new Q&A post on Payments Dive from Tom Warsop, President and CEO of ACI Worldwide...

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Feedzai Report: 90% of FIs use AI to Fight Fraud and Financial Crime

We've all heard the buzz around AI and its potential for fighting fraud. Well, FIs have put it into action.

According to the Feedzai's 2025 AI Trends in Fraud and Financial Crime Prevention, "90% of FIs worldwide are using AI to fight fraud..."

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7 Key Factors for Successful Banking Platform Modernization

We've said it before, and we'll say it again: Platform modernization is a critical priority for banks, driven by competitive pressures and the need for greater efficiency. However, these transformative programs are fraught with challenges that even the most cautious leadership teams often underestimate...

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Product Innovation Briefing: OrboGraph Releases OrboAnywhere Turbo V6.0

Burlington, MA, May 8, 2025 – OrboGraph, a leading provider of check fraud detection and image recognition solutions, is excited to announce the general availability of their new OrboAnywhere Turbo 6.0 release. The release is focused on speed, efficiency, and modernization of AI infrastructure.

The release has several important infrastructure changes, including:

- Modernization of AI Infrastructure to ONNX (Open Neural Network Exchange).
- Certification of NVIDIA L-Series GPUs. The L-Series is a new GPU model which provides cost-effective processing power.
- CPU certification: Beginning with V6.0, OrboAnywhere modules can run on CPU processors only.

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Former Scammer Details How He Learned to Perform Check Fraud from Behind Bars

A factor that we commonly bring up when discussing fraudsters is their willingness to teach each other the tips and tricks needed to commit check fraud. And, while many times this occurs digitally through social media and other messaging platforms...

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Rules Engine: Balancing Check Fraud Detection and Customer Experience

In a recent ATM Marketplace podcast, Bradley Cooper spoke with Scott Fieber, CSO and Austin Smith, Director of Product Development at Cook Solutions Group, about the delicate balance banks must strike to prevent check fraud without compromising the customer experience...

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Did 90's Disney Movie “Blank Check” Glamorize Check Fraud?

When thinking of a film glamorizing check fraud, most think of the hit "Catch Me If You Can", featuring A-listers Leonardo DiCaprio and Tom Hanks.

But, what if we told you that there was a Disney Film that glamorized check fraud?

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Modernizing Payments Back-Office Crucial for Survival

BAI posted an article that first appeared at greensheet.com, discussing the fact that FIs must prioritize modernizing their payments back-office to stay competitive and defend against fraud. We see in report after report how legacy systems riddled with inefficiencies and high costs leave banks vulnerable...

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\$50M Check Fraud Case Highlights the Major Threat of Organized Crime Rings

In a shocking case of financial fraud, four men have been accused of stealing checks from the mail and cashing in over \$50 million by altering the names and dollar amounts. This massive scheme stretched across multiple states, from New York to Florida, and involved sophisticated tactics to exploit...

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FBI's 2024 Internet Crime Report (IC3): \$16.6 Billion in Fraud Losses for Individuals

The FBI's Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3) has released its latest annual report, detailing a significant increase in internet-enabled crimes in 2024. The report distills information from 859,532 complaints submitted to the FBI, with reported losses...

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Satire Speaks Truth: Fraud Technology Overhype vs. Real Innovation in Check Fraud Detection

With the surge in check fraud over the past half decade, we've seen many companies jump on the bandwagon. Many of these fintechs were already within the fraud industry but saw the trends and strategically moved into check fraud detection...

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Evolution from Tellers to Universal Bankers: A Work in Progress

The Financial Brand reports that, more than a decade after banks and credit unions began rebranding their tellers as "universal bankers," the model continues to be a work in progress across the financial services industry. The goal of this transformation is to turn tellers into "jacks-of-all-trades"...

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Bank Branch Dynamics: Expanding Physical Footprint to Enhance Customer Service

Only a couple of decades ago, financial institutions across the US were aggressively expanding their physical footprint, opening branches in new territories AND increasing more branches in locations to make it more convenient for customers.

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