

The 50 weirdest things people left behind in Ubers

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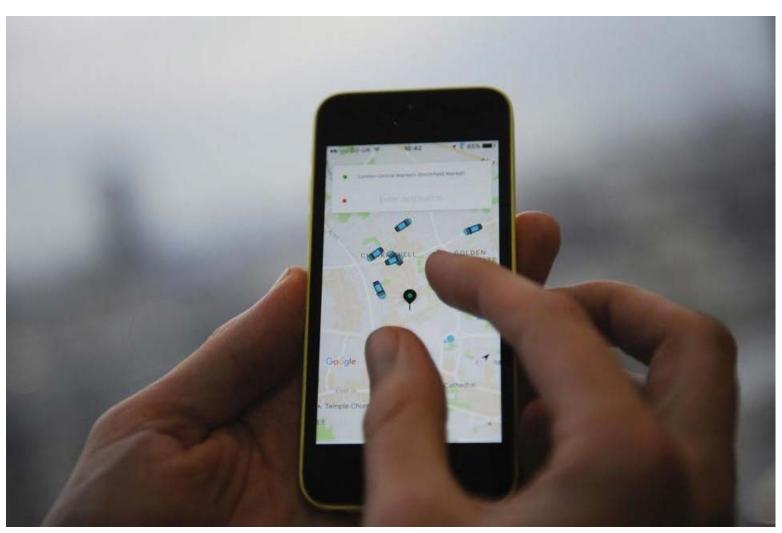
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Ride-hailing company Uber says it fields thousands of reports each week from customers who accidentally leave items behind.

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Ride-hailing company Uber says it fields thousands of reports each week from customers who accidentally leave items behind in an Uber vehicle.

This week the company, in an effort "to acknowledge Uber's most forgetful riders," released <u>statistics</u> about such cases, including: the top 10 most-commonly forgotten items (phones ranked first); the "most forgetful" cities (Los Angeles ranked first, Boston came in eighth); and when most lost-item reports are filed (Sunday was the top weekday, and Oct. 30 was the top date in 2016).

And Uber also detailed what it described as the 50 "most unique" items people have forgotten.

"Our riders never cease to surprise us!," the company said.

That list, along with other data about forgotten items, is below:



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The 50 "most unique" items forgotten in Ubers

| Item |
|-------------------------------|
| Valuable Nordic walking poles |
| Paintings |
| Lobster |
| Sweet potato care package |
| Paycheck |
| Guitar |
| Engagement ring |
| Rubber mallet |
| School papers |
| Chair |
| Laser |
| Hot Cheetos |
| Notary bag |
| Pool stick |

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| Smoke machine |
| Pearl earrings |
| Wedding outfit |
| Hard drive |
| Stroller |
| Bulletproof vest |
| Crime & Punishment (book) |
| Valium |
| Grill set |
| Meat packet |
| Corn hole boards |
| Wooden hat |
| Lottery ticket |
| Back massage device |
| Rose quartz |
| Mustard |
| Bible |
| Elf cut-out |
| Tap handle |
| Expensive slipper |
| Harry Potter glasses |
| Salsa Verde |
| Kite |
| Cape |
| Potted plant |
| Nintendo |
| Dog sweater |
| Contact lenses |
| Diary |
| Tickets |
| Arm sling |
| Taser |
| Vacuum |
| Jewelry box |
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The 10 most commonly forgotten items in Ubers

| Rank | Item |
|------|--------------|
| 1 | Phone |
| 2 | Ring |
| 3 | Keys |
| 4 | Wallet |
| 5 | Glasses |
| 6 | Purse |
| 7 | License/ID |
| 8 | Gloves/Glove |
| 9 | Charger |
| 10 | Sunglasses |
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Most "forgetful" North American cities

| Rank | City |
|------|-----------------|
| 1 | Los Angeles |
| 2 | New York City |
| 3 | San Francisco |
| 4 | Chicago |
| 5 | Miami |
| 6 | Washington D.C. |
| 7 | Atlanta |
| 8 | Boston |
| 9 | Toronto |
| 10 | Dallas |
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Most forgetful dates in 2016

Dates are when the items were reported as lost.

| Rank | Date |
|------|--------|
| 1 | 30-Oct |
| 2 | 11-Dec |
| 3 | 18-Dec |
| 4 | 4-Dec |
| 5 | 20-Nov |

Most common days of the week to report lost items

| Rank | Day of week |
|------|-------------|
| 1 | Sunday |
| 2 | Saturday |
| 3 | Friday |
| 4 | Monday |
| 5 | Thursday |
| 6 | Tuesday |
| 7 | Wednesday |

Other notes about days of the week and lost items

| Day of week | Statistic |
|-------------|--|
| Sundays | We see the biggest spike in lost wedding dresses |
| Mondays | We see the biggest spike in lost skateboards |
| Tuesdays | We see the biggest spike in lost swimsuits |
| Wednesdays | We see the biggest spike in lost notebooks |
| Thursdays | We see the biggest spike in lost suitcases |

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