Robbing the Cradle:
Trends in Infant Abduction in the United States
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Historical Perspectives

• Motive
  – Financial
  – Emotional

May 1, 1932
Charles Lindbergh III, the 20-month-old son of aviation hero Charles Lindbergh, is kidnapped from the family's new mansion in Hopewell, New Jersey
Profile of Emotional Aductors

- Female
- Childbearing age
- Overweight
- Relationship
- Planned
- Nurse impersonator
Hospital Based Crime
Security & Technology Updates
Response to Improved Security
Home Access

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FROM KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
LISA IRWIN

The FBI are searching for 10-month-old Lisa Irwin who was last seen in her crib at 10:30 pm on 10/23/2011 and is believed to have been
Home Access

- Gaining Entry
- Abduction & Civic Response
- Infant Recovery
Fetal Abduction
Fetal Abduction

• Historical Overview
  – 1987, Albuquerque, New Mexico
  – Current reported cases
Perpetrators of Fetal Abduction

• Profile

• Gaining Access

• Abduction & Civic Response

• Infant Recovery
Aftermath of Infant or Fetal Abduction

• Victims
  – Homicide
  – Familial survivors

• Perpetrators
  – Judicial
Prevention – A Community Approach

• Healthcare workers

• Community awareness & partnerships

• Law enforcement
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