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BUDGET FOR SECURITY

When buying a new home, don't forget to include in your budget security changes or upgrades. Most new owners remember to change the locks, but many homes have other security vulnerabilities that could catch you unawares. We found a great "Home Security Checklist" at www.weiserlock.com that you can check against properties you're considering. Keep the list with you as you property shop and, just as you would consider the cost of a new roof or plumbing upgrades, factor in the cost of security changes before you make your offer.