



This report, updated monthly, is designed to provide you with a summary of active NHTSA Defect Investigations. The investigations listed below are grouped according to type of investigation ([Preliminary Evaluation](#), [Engineering Analysis](#), [Recall Query](#), and [Defect/Recall Petition](#)) and identify the products under investigation, the alleged problem, and the investigation status. For up-to-date details on specific investigations, you can enter its Action # in the Quick Search box at: <http://www-odi.nhtsa.dot.gov/cars/problems/defect/defectsearch.cfm>

If you're having any safety problem with your vehicle, whether or not identified on the list below, please [Contact Us](#) today!

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MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT ENGINEERING ANALYSIS

Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
EA11-001	1999-2003 GM C/K pickup trucks and SUVs in Salt Belt states	Brake line corrosion failure	05-JAN-2011	
EA11-003	2009-2010 Volkswagen/Audi JETTA/Golf/A3 TDI Clean Diesel	High-Pressure Fuel Pump Failure (HPFP)	07-FEB-2011	
EA11-005	2004-2005 Mini Cooper	Loss of Power Steering Assist	04-MAY-2011	
EA12-007	1992-2012 MCI D & E Series Buses with Steerable Tag Axle	MCI Driveshaft Safety Loop Failures	13-SEP-2012	
EA13-001	2009-2012	Child Seat Harness Buckle	21-FEB-2013	01-DEC-2014
EA13-003	MY 2003-2008 E-Class Vehicles	Fuel Leakage From The Fuel Tank	15-MAR-2013	19-DEC-2014
EA14-002	2011-2013 Kia Sorento	Spontaneous Sunroof Breakage	12-MAY-2014	
EA14-004	2008 Honda Accord 4-door	Inadvertent Side Air Bag Deployment	29-JUL-2014	

MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT PRELIMINARY EVALUATIONS

Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
PE14-002	2008 American LaFrance Eagle	Front spindle failure	30-JAN-2014	23-DEC-2014
PE14-006	2008-2013 Vision	Steering interference - motorcycle	10-MAR-2014	
PE14-012	MY 2007 Nissan Quest	Fuel gauge system failure	08-MAY-2014	
PE14-013	2004-06 Dodge Ram 2500 & 3500 with manual transmissions	Clutch Interlock Switch Malfunction	19-MAY-2014	23-DEC-2014
PE14-014	2013-2014 Nissan Sentra and Versa	Excessive brake pedal travel	20-MAY-2014	
PE14-016	MY 2002-2006 models with air bag modules supplied by Takata	Air Bag Inflator Rupture	11-JUN-2014	
PE14-017	2006-2007 Jeep Commander and 2005-2007 Jeep Grand Cherokee	Air Bag Non-deployment	16-JUN-2014	23-DEC-2014
PE14-018	MY 2012-2014 Nissan Versa and Versa Note	Pedal Operation Interference	24-JUN-2014	

PE14-019	MY 2005 Dodge Ram 1500 trucks	Rear Differential Failure	24-JUN-2014	23-DEC-2014
PE14-020	2014 Freightliner Business Class M2	CNG Fuel System Integrity	07-JUL-2014	
PE14-023	2006-2008 Hyundai Sonata	Seat Belt Buckle Electrical Malfunction	22-JUL-2014	01-DEC-2014
PE14-024	2013 Isuzu N-series	Brake lights inoperative.	22-JUL-2014	
PE14-025	2008-14 Can-Am Spyder	Motorcycle Fires	04-AUG-2014	
PE14-026	2011 Track Boat Trailers	Swing-away boat trailer tongue failures	06-AUG-2014	23-DEC-2014
PE14-027	2013 Ford Explorer Police Interceptor	Front Brake Hose Failure	22-AUG-2014	
PE14-028	2011-2013 Ford Fiesta	Door Latch Failure	11-SEP-2014	
PE14-029	2013 Navistar ProStar	Head light failures/fires	11-SEP-2014	
PE14-030	2010-12 Ford Fusion, Lincoln MKZ and 2010-11 Mercury Milan	Loss of electric power assisted steering	02-OCT-2014	
PE14-031	2014 Michelin XZA 295/60/R22.5 tires	Steer Tire Failures	06-OCT-2014	
PE14-032	2011 thru 2013 CBR250R	Motorcycle Stalling	29-OCT-2014	
PE14-033	2013 Honda Accord	Electric Power Steering Failure	04-NOV-2014	
PE14-034	2008 Infiniti EX35	Steering shaft failure	04-NOV-2014	
PE14-035	2010 Wheeled Coach Business Class M2	Loss of Instrument Cluster Functions	21-NOV-2014	

**MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT
RECALL QUERY**

Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
RQ14-001	2002-2003 Jeep Liberty and 2002-2004 Jeep Grand Cherokee	Inadvertent Airbag Deployment	29-MAY-14	
RQ14-002	MY 2008-2010 Grand Cavavan, Town and Country and Journey	Air Bag Non-deployment	16-JUN-14	
RQ14-003	MY 2000-2012 Sutphen Vehicles with Aerial Fire Apparatus	Aerial Fire Apparatus Cable Failure	06-AUG-14	23-DEC-14
RQ14-004	2012 - 2013 Forest River RVs	Trailer Tire May Contact Floor	10-SEP-14	

**MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT
PETITIONS**

Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
DP09-006	2005 - 07 MODEL YEAR BLUE BIRD WANDERLODGE M450 MOTOR HOME	ALLEGED INADEQUATE CAMPAIGN REMEDY	30-NOV-2009	
DP12-004	MY 2005-2010 Nissan Frontier/Xterra/Frontier	Transmission Failure (ATF contamination)	11-JUN-2012	
DP13-001	2004-2009 Toyota Prius	Steering Intermediate Shaft Failure	21-FEB-2013	

DP14-001	MY 2008 Chevrolet Impala	Passenger Air Bag OCS Algorithm	22-JUL-2014	
DP14-002	2007 Dodge Grand Caravan	Engine Stall After Refueling	05-SEP-2014	
DP14-003	2006-2010 Toyota Corolla	Low-speed surging	19-SEP-2014	
DP14-004	2007-2014 Chrysler/Dodge/Jeep SUV's, trucks & vans w/TIPM7	Totally Integrated Power Module Failure	25-SEP-2014	

PRELIMINARY EVALUATION (PE)

Initial phase of a NHTSA investigation, a PE is prompted after a review of consumer complaints and/or manufacturer service bulletins suggest a safety defect may exist. The results of a PE determine whether the investigation will be upgraded to an Engineering Analysis or closed. Most PEs are resolved within four months.

ENGINEERING ANALYSIS (EA)

Second and final phase of a NHTSA investigation, an EA is undertaken if data from a PE indicate further examination of a potential safety defect is warranted. The results of an EA determine whether a safety recall should be initiated or the investigation should be closed. Most EAs are resolved within one year.

RECALL QUERY (RQ)

NHTSA monitors recalls to ensure that the scope, completion rate, and remedy are adequate. If recall adequacy comes into question, an RQ is opened to determine if the scope of the recall should be expanded or an adjustment in existing remedies is required.

DEFECT OR RECALL PETITION (DP OR RP)

NHTSA may be petitioned to investigate an alleged safety defect or whether a manufacturer has successfully carried out the requirements of a recall. If the petition is granted, NHTSA opens an appropriate investigation. If the petition is denied, the reasons for denial are published in the Federal Register.

If you have a safety concern or want to learn more...

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