



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>

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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	
EA12-005	93-04 Grand Cherokee, 93-01 Cherokee & 02-07 Liberty	Crash Related Fuel Tank Fires	12-JUN-2012	
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 (models listed in the summary)	Child Seat Harness Buckle	21-FEB-2013	
EA13-003	MY 2003-2008 E-Class Vehicles	Fuel Leakage From The Fuel Tank	15-MAR-2013	
EA13-005	05-09 Pontiac G6, 04-11 Chevrolet Malibu, 07-09 Saturn Aura	Brake Light Switch/Sensor Malfunction	06-JUN-2013	01-JUL-2014
EA14-001	2011-2013 Jeep Grand Cherokee and Dodge Durango	Headliner Fires	10-JAN-2014	
EA14-002	2011-2013 Kia Sorento	Spontaneous Sunroof Breakage	12-MAY-2014	
EA14-003	2011-2014 Embrace	Car Seat Harness Buckle	07-JUL-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
PE13-039	4000D, 4000DX & 3000R Trailers Built from Apr. 2012-May 2013	Pintle Hook Loop Failure	09-DEC-2013	
PE14-001	MY 2007-2008 Toyota Camry HEV	Brake system malfunction	23-JAN-2014	
PE14-002	2008 American Lafrance Eagle	Front spindle failure	30-JAN-2014	
PE14-003	2011 - 2013 Chase, Maestro, Secure Kid, and Titan	Car Seat Harness Buckle	31-JAN-2014	09-JUL-2014

PE14-004	2008 Honda Accord 4-door	Inadvertent Side Air Bag Deployment	31-JAN-2014	29-JUL-2014
PE14-006	2008-2013 Vision	Steering interference - motorcycle	10-MAR-2014	
PE14-008	2013-14 Forest River Columbus 5th Wheel Recreational Vehicle	Brake Lining Contamination	20-MAR-2014	
PE14-009	2010-2011 Pierce Arrow Fire Trucks w/ TAK-4 Front Suspension	Front A-arm failing	26-MAR-2014	
PE14-010	MY 2014 Chevrolet Impala	Active Safety System Malfunction	15-APR-2014	
PE14-011	Bosch Power Xpress 240V charger	Bosch EV charging cord overheating	15-APR-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	
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 2005-2006 Jeep Grand Cherokee	Air Bag Non-deployment	16-JUN-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	
PE14-020	2014 Freightliner Business Class M2	CNG Fuel System Integrity	07-JUL-2014	
PE14-021	MY 2004 to 2007 Crown Victoria, Grand Marquis, Marauder	Steering Column Shaft Obstruction	07-JUL-2014	
PE14-022	2011-2012 Dodge Charger	Alternator failure	22-JUL-2014	
PE14-023	2006-2008 Hyundai Sonata	Seat Belt Buckle Electrical Malfunction	22-JUL-2014	
PE14-024	2013 Isuzu N-series	Brake lights inoperative.	22-JUL-2014	

MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT RECALL QUERY				
Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
RQ13-002	2012 Buick Verano and Chevrolet Camaro, Cruze and Sonic	Air Bag Non-deployment	31-MAY-13	09-JUL-14
RQ13-003	2013 Malibu Eco & 2012-13 Regal, LaCrosse eAssist HEV	Generator Control Module Fires	05-JUL-13	22-JUL-14
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	

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	

DP12-003	2007-2009 Saturn Outlook and GMC Acadia	Loss of Headlamp Illumination	04-JUN-2012	24-JUL-2014
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	
DP13-002	2012 Toyota Prius C	Drivability, Service brake failure	18-MAR-2013	25-JUL-2014
DP14-001	MY 2008 Chevrolet Impala	Passenger Air Bag OCS Algorithm	22-JUL-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.

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