



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!

## March 2015

### 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	2009-2012 Jetta, Golf, Touareg, A3 and Q7 TDI clean diesel	High-Pressure Fuel Pump Failure	07-FEB-2011	27-MAR-2015
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	
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	
EA15-001	Various MY 2001-2011 models with Takata air bag inflators	Air Bag Inflator Rupture	24-FEB-2015	
EA15-002	MY2011-13 Fiesta, MY2013 Fusion, Lincoln MKZ	Door Latch Failure	27-FEB-2015	

### MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT PRELIMINARY EVALUATIONS

Action#	MMY	Subject	Date Opened	Date Closed
PE14-006	2008-2013 Vision	Steering interference - motorcycle	10-MAR-2014	
PE14-014	2013-2014 Nissan Sentra and Versa	Excessive brake pedal travel	20-MAY-2014	
PE14-016	Various MY 2001-2011 models with Takata air bag inflators	Air Bag Inflator Rupture	11-JUN-2014	02-MAR-2015
PE14-018	MY 2012-2014 Nissan Versa and Versa Note	Pedal Operation Interference	24-JUN-2014	
PE14-020	2014 Freightliner Business Class M2	CNG Fuel System Integrity	07-JUL-2014	
PE14-025	2008-14 Can-Am Spyder	Motorcycle Fires	04-AUG-2014	
PE14-028	2011-2013 Ford Fiesta	Door Latch Failure	11-SEP-2014	18-MAR-2015
PE14-030	2010-12 Ford Fusion, Lincoln MKZ and 2010-11 Mercury Milan	Loss of electric power assisted steering	02-OCT-2014	

PE14-032	2011 - 2013 CBR250R	Motorcycle Stalling	29-OCT-2014	18-MAR-2015
PE14-033	2013 Honda Accord	Electric Power Steering Failure	04-NOV-2014	
PE14-035	2010 Wheeled Coach Business Class M2	Loss of Instrument Cluster Functions	21-NOV-2014	
PE15-001	2013 Nissan Rogue	Improper Frontal Air Bag Deployment	12-JAN-2015	
PE15-002	2010-2014 Accuride Steel Wheels	Loss of air due to crack wheel rim	13-JAN-2015	
PE15-003	MY 2015 Jeep Cherokee	Engine compartment fire	13-JAN-2015	
PE15-004	MY 2014 Stallion 900 Tour Bus	Seat Belt Buckle Inoperative	03-FEB-2015	
PE15-005	MY 2014 Stallion 900 Tour Bus	Loss of Windshield Wiper Function	27-FEB-2015	
PE15-006	2014 Autocar ACX/Heil Half/Pack Freedom CNG Refuse Truck	CNG Fuel Container Rupture During A Fire	27-FEB-2015	
PE15-007	2008-2014 LCI RV Three Step Electric Powered Entry Steps	LCI RV Entry Step Failures	27-FEB-2015	
PE15-008	2004 - current Pierce Fire trucks with the TAK-4 suspension	Front suspension ball joint failure	27-FEB-2015	
PE15-009	2012 -2013 Mitsubishi FUSO FEC 52, FEC72 and FEC92 trucks	Extended Stopping Distance	23-MAR-2015	
PE15-010	2012 Volkswagen Passat and CC	Air Bag Clockspring Failure	24-MAR-2015	

**MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT  
RECALL QUERY**

<b>Action#</b>	<b>MMY</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Date Opened</b>	<b>Date Closed</b>
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/Engine Stall	16-JUN-14	02-MAR-15
RQ14-004	2012 - 2013 Forest River RVs	Trailer Tire May Contact Floor	10-SEP-14	
RQ14-005	2011-2012 Ford F-250/350/450/550 with 6.7L Diesel Engines	Exhaust Gas Temperature Sensor	13-JAN-15	
RQ15-001	2013-2014 Various Nissan & Infiniti Models (see list below)	Occupant Classification System Failure	18-MAR-15	
RQ15-002	2006-2014 S2000 and 5500-Series Wheelchair Lifts	School bus wheelchair lift collapse	18-MAR-15	

**MONTHLY DEFECT INVESTIGATION REPORT  
PETITIONS**

<b>Action#</b>	<b>MMY</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Date Opened</b>	<b>Date Closed</b>
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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- 202-493-2833 (Download complaint form , fill out and fax).

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