

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**National Highway Traffic Safety Administration****49 CFR Part 541**

[Docket No. NHTSA-2002-11443; Notice 02]

RIN 2127-AJ00

Final Theft Data; Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Publication of final theft data.

SUMMARY: This document publishes the final data on thefts of model year (MY) 2001 passenger motor vehicles that occurred in calendar year (CY) 2001. The final 2001 theft data indicate an increase in the vehicle theft rate experienced in CY/MY 2001. The final theft rate for MY 2001 passenger vehicles stolen in calendar year 2001 (3.26 thefts per thousand vehicles) increased by 12.8 percent from the theft rate for CY/MY 2000 (2.89 thefts per thousand vehicles) when compared to the theft rate experienced in CY/MY 2000. Publication of these data fulfills NHTSA's statutory obligation to periodically obtain accurate and timely theft data and publish the information for review and comment.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: NHTSA administers a program for reducing motor vehicle theft. The central feature of this program is the Federal Motor Vehicle Theft Prevention Standard, 49 CFR part 541. The standard specifies performance requirements for inscribing and affixing vehicle identification numbers (VINs) onto certain major original equipment and replacement parts of high-theft lines of passenger motor vehicles.

The agency is required by 49 U.S.C. 33104(b)(4) to periodically obtain, from the most reliable source, accurate and timely theft data and publish the data for review and comment. To fulfill this

statutory mandate, NHTSA has published theft data annually beginning with MYs 1983/84. Continuing to fulfill the section 33104(b)(4) mandate, this document reports the final theft data for CY 2001, the most recent calendar year for which data are available.

In calculating the 2001 theft rates, NHTSA followed the same procedures it used in calculating the MY 2000 theft rates. (For 2000 theft data calculations, see 67 FR 53756, August 19, 2002.) As in all previous reports, NHTSA's data were based on information provided to NHTSA by the National Crime Information Center (NCIC) of the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The NCIC is a government system that receives vehicle theft information from nearly 23,000 criminal justice agencies and other law enforcement authorities throughout the United States. The NCIC data also include reported thefts of self-insured and uninsured vehicles, not all of which are reported to other data sources.

The 2001 theft rate for each vehicle line was calculated by dividing the number of reported thefts of MY 2001 vehicles of that line stolen during calendar year 2001 by the total number of vehicles in that line manufactured for MY 2001, as reported to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

The final 2001 theft data show an increase in the vehicle theft rate when compared to the theft rate experienced in CY/MY 2000. The final theft rate for MY 2001 passenger vehicles stolen in calendar year 2001 increased to 3.26 thefts per thousand vehicles produced, an increase of 12.8 percent from the rate of 2.89 thefts per thousand vehicles experienced by MY 2000 vehicles in CY 2000. For MY 2001 vehicles, out of a total of 217 vehicle lines, 67 lines had a theft rate higher than 3.5826 per thousand vehicles, the established median theft rate for MYs 1990/1991. (See 59 FR 12400, March 16, 1994.) Of the 67 vehicle lines with a theft rate higher than 3.5826, 56 are passenger car lines, eight are multipurpose passenger vehicle lines, and none are light-duty truck lines.

On Tuesday, April 15, 2003, NHTSA published the preliminary theft rates for CY 2001 passenger motor vehicles in the **Federal Register** (68 FR 18181). The

agency tentatively ranked each of the MY 2001 vehicle lines in descending order of theft rate. The public was requested to comment on the accuracy of the data and to provide final production figures for individual vehicle lines. The agency used written comments to make the necessary adjustments to its data. As a result of the adjustments, some of the final theft rates and rankings of vehicle lines changed from those published in the April 2003 notice. The agency received written comments from DaimlerChrysler Corporation (DaimlerChrysler) and Volkswagen of America, Inc. (VW). In its comments, DaimlerChrysler informed the agency that the production volumes listed for the Chrysler Town & Country and the Chrysler Voyager lines were incorrect. Specifically, the production volume for the Chrysler Town and Country reflected the Town & Country all-wheel drive vehicles only. The production volume for the Chrysler Voyager reflected the total volume for the Voyager and Town & Country 2-wheel drive vehicles. In response to this comment, the production volumes for the Chrysler Town & Country and the Chrysler Voyager have been corrected and the final theft list has been revised accordingly. As a result of the correction, the Chrysler Town & Country previously ranked No. 1 with a theft rate of 22.9800, is now ranked No. 143 with a theft rate of 1.7196, and the Chrysler Voyager previously ranked No. 199 with a theft rate of 0.4605 is now ranked No. 120 with a theft rate of 2.1700.

Volkswagen also informed the agency that the production volumes for the Audi S4/Quattro and the Audi A6/Quattro were incorrect. Upon later review by Volkswagen, it was confirmed that the listed production volumes were not in error. Therefore, the production volumes will remain unchanged.

The following list represents NHTSA's final calculation of theft rates for all 2001 passenger motor vehicle lines. This list is intended to inform the public of calendar year 2001 motor vehicle thefts of model year 2001 vehicles and does not have any effect on the obligations of regulated parties under 49 U.S.C. Chapter 331, Theft Prevention.

FINAL THEFT RATES OF MODEL YEAR 2001 PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLES STOLEN IN CALENDAR YEAR 2001

No.	Manufacturer	Make/model (line)	Thefts 2001	Production (Mfr's) 2001	2001 theft rate (per 1,000 vehicles produced)
1	Daimler Chrysler	Dodge Intrepid	1,442	113,333	12.7236
2	General Motors	Chevrolet Metro	199	15,999	12.4383
3	Honda	Acura Integra	148	14,092	10.5024
4	DaimlerChrysler	Plymouth Neon	400	38,651	10.3490
5	DaimlerChrysler	Dodge Neon	1,047	101,410	10.3244
6	DaimlerChrysler	Dodge Stratus	1,115	109,015	10.2280
7	Mitsubishi	Mirage	447	48,393	9.2369
8	Suzuki	Esteem	152	18,713	8.1227
9	DaimlerChrysler	Chrysler LHS	86	11,413	7.5353
10	General Motors	Pontiac Firebird/Trans AM/Formula	149	20,084	7.4188
11	Mitsubishi	Galant	729	102,990	7.0784
12	General Motors	Chevrolet Camaro	193	28,278	6.8251
13	Mitsubishi	Montero	258	38,599	6.6841
14	General Motors	Pontiac Grand Am	1,192	182,220	6.5415
15	General Motors	Buick Regal	340	52,492	6.4772
16	Mitsubishi	Montero Sport	402	64,115	6.2700
17	Jaguar	S-Type	126	20,102	6.2680
18	Ford Motor Co.	Ford Escort	536	87,019	6.1596
19	Ford Motor Co.	Lincoln LS	256	41,817	6.1219
20	DaimlerChrysler	Chrysler 300M	228	37,284	6.1152
21	General Motors	Pontiac Sunfire	445	73,808	6.0292
22	Honda	Acura NSX	1	167	5.9880
23	Mitsubishi	Diamante	77	13,667	5.6340
24	Ford Motor Co.	Ford Mustang	869	155,039	5.6050
25	DaimlerChrysler	Chrysler Sebring	407	73,543	5.5342
26	KIA Motors	Optima	134	24,754	5.4133
27	DaimlerChrysler	Chrysler Concorde	147	28,030	5.2444
28	General Motors	Chevrolet Cavalier	1,136	217,438	5.2245
29	Suzuki	Vitara/Grand	281	53,810	5.2221
30	Toyota	Corolla	1,201	230,246	5.2162
31	Nissan	Altima	706	137,253	5.1438
32	General Motors	Chevrolet Malibu	956	186,788	5.1181
33	DaimlerChrysler	Chrysler Sebring Convertible	200	39,668	5.0418
34	Toyota	Lexus IS	155	30,959	5.0066
35	General Motors	Chevrolet Lumina	213	42,803	4.9763
36	General Motors	Oldsmobile Alero	548	112,455	4.8731
37	General Motors	Cadillac DeVille	428	87,909	4.8687
38	Isuzu	Trooper	91	18,818	4.8358
39	KIA Motors	Rio	276	57,340	4.8134
40	Mitsubishi	Eclipse	380	79,034	4.8081
41	Mazda	Millenia	85	17,969	4.7304
42	General Motors	Chevrolet Monte Carlo	324	68,518	4.7287
43	Audi	S4/Quattro	72	15,301	4.7056
44	Toyota	4Runner	373	83,052	4.4912
45	General Motors	GMC Jimmy S15/T15	209	46,905	4.4558
46	DaimlerChrysler	Chrysler Neon ¹	3	682	4.3988
47	Nissan	Maxima	447	102,260	4.3712
48	Hyundai	Sonata	204	46,989	4.3414
49	Rolls-Royce	Bentley Arnage	2	466	4.2918
50	General Motors	Oldsmobile Intrigue	168	39,491	4.2541
51	Jaguar	XK8	19	4,501	4.2213
52	General Motors	Chevrolet Prizm	209	50,141	4.1682
53	DaimlerChrysler	Jeep Cherokee/Grand	1,376	338,673	4.0629
54	Honda	Prelude	46	11,329	4.0604
55	General Motors	Oldsmobile Bravada	44	10,935	4.0238
56	General Motors	Pontiac Bonneville	175	43,842	3.9916
57	KIA Motors	Sephia/Spectra	296	74,516	3.9723
58	General Motors	Pontiac Grand Prix	466	117,647	3.9610
59	Mercedes-Benz	129 (SL-Class)	16	4,080	3.9216
60	Isuzu	Rodeo	242	62,963	3.8435
61	General Motors	Chevrolet Blazer S10/T10	629	163,771	3.8407
62	General Motors	Chevrolet Corvette	124	33,204	3.7345
63	KIA Motors	Sportage	215	57,927	3.7116
64	Ford Motor Co.	Lincoln Town Car	255	68,832	3.7047
65	Ford Motor Co.	Mercury Sable	364	98,867	3.6817
66	Daewoo	Leganza	73	20,112	3.6297
67	Ford Motor Co.	Ford Focus	964	267,470	3.6041
68	Toyota	Celica	126	35,540	3.5453

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No.	Manufacturer	Make/model (line)	Thefts 2001	Production (Mfr's) 2001	2001 theft rate (per 1,000 vehicles produced)
69	Ford Motor Co.	Ford Taurus	1,238	351,813	3.5189
70	Toyota	Lexus GS	105	29,858	3.5166
71	General Motors	Cadillac Seville	88	25,157	3.4980
72	Mercedes-Benz	215 (CL-Class)	11	3,162	3.4788
73	Suzuki	Swift	15	4,375	3.4286
74	Mazda	626	173	51,355	3.3687
75	BMW	Z8	3	895	3.3520
76	Hyundai	Accent	256	77,491	3.3036
77	Nissan	Infiniti Q45	6	1,846	3.2503
78	Daewoo	Lanos	69	21,626	3.1906
79	Toyota	Camry	1,123	353,219	3.1793
80	General Motors	Chevrolet Impala	597	188,248	3.1713
81	Nissan	Sentra	335	106,549	3.1441
82	Ford Motor Co.	Mercury Mountaineer	45	14,439	3.1166
83	Toyota	Lexus LX	31	9,967	3.1103
84	DaimlerChrysler	Chrysler Prowler	5	1,632	3.0637
85	Ford Motor Co.	Ford Explorer	1,050	344,002	3.0523
86	DaimlerChrysler	Dodge Caravan/Grand	649	218,302	2.9729
87	Jaguar	XJ8	17	5,960	2.8523
88	Hyundai	Tiburon	64	22,713	2.8178
89	General Motors	Oldsmobile Aurora	140	50,034	2.7981
90	General Motors	Saturn LS	222	79,562	2.7903
91	Nissan	Frontier Pickup	286	102,545	2.7890
92	Mercedes-Benz	220 (S-Class)	85	31,977	2.6582
93	Ford Motor Co.	Ford Ranger Pickup	708	266,960	2.6521
94	BMW	3	307	117,873	2.6045
95	Daewoo	Nubira	35	13,450	2.6022
96	Volvo	C70	14	5,462	2.5632
97	Nissan	Infiniti G20	18	7,087	2.5399
98	Jaguar	XKR	4	1,588	2.5189
99	DaimlerChrysler	Jeep Wrangler	163	66,366	2.4561
100	Honda	Acura 3.2 CL	94	38,679	2.4303
101	General Motors	Chevrolet Astro Van	104	42,909	2.4237
102	General Motors	Buick Park Avenue	88	36,407	2.4171
103	Jaguar	XJR	3	1,256	2.3885
104	Hyundai	Santa Fe	121	51,088	2.3685
105	Toyota	Lexus LS	75	31,738	2.3631
106	Hyundai	XG	47	19,894	2.3625
107	General Motors	Buick Lesabre	327	140,202	2.3323
108	Honda	S2000	23	9,945	2.3127
109	Mazda	Protege	110	47,754	2.3035
110	Honda	Passport	39	16,999	2.2943
111	Mercedes-Benz	208 (CLK-Class)	34	14,940	2.2758
112	General Motors	GMC Safari Van	33	14,549	2.2682
113	General Motors	Buick Century	285	126,295	2.2566
114	Ford Motor Co.	Mercury Cougar	58	25,810	2.2472
115	Audi	TT/Quattro	47	21,022	2.2358
116	BMW	7	57	25,548	2.2311
117	DaimlerChrysler	Plymouth Prowler	3	1,353	2.2173
118	Volvo	S40	69	31,145	2.2154
119	Jaguar	Vanden Plas	8	3,617	2.2118
120	DaimlerChrysler	Chrysler Voyager	78	35,944	2.1700
121	General Motors	Chevrolet S10/T10 Pickup	354	166,708	2.1235
122	Ford Motor Co.	Ford F150 Pickup	293	138,481	2.1158
123	Honda	Acura 3.5 RL	7	3,312	2.1135
124	Volvo	S80	53	25,203	2.1029
125	Subaru	Impreza	19	9,205	2.0641
126	Toyota	Tacoma Pickup	330	160,222	2.0596
127	Ford Motor Co.	Mercury Grand Marquis	215	104,890	2.0498
128	Hyundai	Elantra	217	106,418	2.0391
129	General Motors	GMC Sonoma Pickup	86	42,536	2.0218
130	General Motors	Saturn SC	94	46,557	2.0190
131	Toyota Tundra	Pickup	38	19,191	1.9801
132	Toyota	RAV4	172	87,108	1.9746
133	General Motors	Saturn SL	214	108,946	1.9643
134	Toyota	Echo	103	52,694	1.9547
135	Nissan	Pathfinder	172	89,836	1.9146

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136	BMW	5	76	40,591	1.8723
137	Porsche	911	20	10,931	1.8297
138	Volkswagen	Jetta	281	153,706	1.8282
139	Nissan	Infiniti I30	70	39,505	1.7719
140	Honda	Civic	603	341,401	1.7663
141	Nissan	Xterra	170	96,255	1.7661
142	Honda	Accord	665	379,508	1.7523
143	Daimler-Chrysler	Chrysler Town & Country MPV	248	144,218	1.7196
144	Volkswagen	Golf/GTI	56	32,736	1.7107
145	Volvo	V40	7	4,109	1.7036
146	Saab	9-5	39	23,016	1.6945
147	Mercedes-Benz	ML	68	40,257	1.6891
148	Mazda	B-Series Pickup	46	27,490	1.6733
149	Audi	A4/Quattro	58	35,023	1.6561
150	Nissan	Infiniti QX4	59	36,778	1.6042
151	Daimler-Chrysler	Chrysler PT Cruiser	279	176,326	1.5823
152	General Motors	Cadillac Catera	18	11,568	1.5560
153	General Motors	Pontiac Aztek	63	41,111	1.5324
154	Toyota	Lexus ES	54	35,282	1.5305
155	Ford Motor CO	Ford Windstar Van	275	179,687	1.5304
156	Volvo	V70	25	16,408	1.5236
157	General Motors	Saturn SW	6	3,973	1.5102
158	Ford Motor CO	Lincoln Continental	32	21,341	1.4995
159	Isuzu	Vehicross	2	1,347	1.4848
160	Audi	A6/Quattro	39	26,592	1.4666
161	Porsche	Boxster	19	12,979	1.4639
162	Daimler-Chrysler	Dodge Dakota Pickup	230	158,303	1.4529
163	Toyota	MR2 Spyder	10	6,950	1.4388
164	Ford Motor CO	Ford Escape	214	151,295	1.4145
165	General Motors	Pontiac Montana Van	71	50,437	1.4077
166	Toyota	Lexus RX	121	86,206	1.4036
167	Mercedes-Benz	170 (SLK-Class)	22	16,294	1.3502
168	Mercedes-Benz	210 (E-Class)	67	49,628	1.3500
169	Honda	Acura 3.2 TL	46	34,860	1.3196
170	General Motors	Chevrolet Venture Van	110	85,346	1.2889
171	Audi	S8/Quattro	1	814	1.2285
172	Daimler-Chrysler	Dodge Viper	2	1,643	1.2173
173	Nissan	Quest Van	37	31,402	1.1783
174	Toyota	Sienna Van	99	85,794	1.1539
175	Volkswagen	New Beetle	83	72,350	1.1472
176	Mercedes-Benz	203 (C-Class)	36	32,931	1.0932
177	Volkswagen	Passat	90	82,870	1.0860
178	Volkswagen	Cabrio	16	15,479	1.0337
179	Toyota	Avalon	79	77,925	1.0138
180	General Motors	Chevrolet Tracker	108	108,204	0.9981
181	General Motors	Oldsmobile Silhouette Van	36	36,278	0.9923
182	Ford Motor CO	Mercury Villager Van	18	18,169	0.9907
183	Volvo	S60	32	33,335	0.9600
184	Saab	9-3	20	20,920	0.9560
185	Volvo	XC	25	27,082	0.9231
186	Audi	A8/Quattro/L	2	2,177	0.9187
187	Honda	CR-V	99	117,003	0.8461
188	Volkswagen	Eurovan/Camper	3	3,652	0.8215
189	BMW	M/Z3	15	18,627	0.8053
190	General Motors	Cadillac Eldorado	8	10,289	0.7775
191	Mazda	Tribute	42	55,827	0.7523
192	Toyota	Highlander	52	69,706	0.7460
193	Subaru	Legacy/Outback	73	98,623	0.7402
194	Honda	Acura MDX	30	41,081	0.7303
195	Mazda	MX-5 Miata	12	18,040	0.6652
196	Mazda	MPV	23	36,356	0.6326
197	Subaru	Forester	37	63,015	0.5872
198	Ford Motor CO	Ford LTD/Crown Victoria	50	89,572	0.5582
199	General Motors	Saturn LW	5	9,223	0.5421
200	Toyota	Prius	7	15,773	0.4438
201	Audi	Allroad/Quattro	3	6,840	0.4386
202	Honda	Odyssey Minivan	54	123,522	0.4372

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No.	Manufacturer	Make/model (line)	Thefts 2001	Production (Mfr's) 2001	2001 theft rate (per 1,000 vehicles produced)
203	Quantum Tech	Cavalier	1	2,417	0.4137
204	Honda	Insight	1	3,426	0.2919
205	Aston-Martin	DB-7/Vantage/Coupe/Volante	0	348	0.0000
206	Rolls-Royce	Bentley Azure	0	100	0.0000
207	Rolls-Royce	Bentley Continental R	0	22	0.0000
208	Rolls-Royce	Bentley Continental T	0	8	0.0000
209	General Motors	Cadillac Funeral Coach/Hearse	0	2,203	0.0000
210	Ferrari	360	0	723	0.0000
211	Ferrari	456	0	64	0.0000
212	Ferrari	550	0	290	0.0000
213	Lamborghini	DB132/144 Diablo	0	150	0.0000
214	Rolls-Royce	Corniche	0	45	0.0000
215	Rolls-Royce	Park Ward	0	28	0.0000
216	Rolls-Royce	Silver Seraph	0	51	0.0000
217	Mitsubishi	² Nativa	0	1,653	0.0000

¹ This vehicle was manufactured under the Chrysler nameplate for sale in a U.S. Territories only (Guam, American Samoa, Puerto Rico) and the Virgin Islands, (St. Thomas & St. Croix).

² This vehicle was manufactured for sale only in Puerto Rico and represents the U.S. version of the Montero Sport line.

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Associate Administrator for Rulemaking.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

49 CFR Parts 571 and 596

[Docket NHTSA-03-15438]

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Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Child Restraint Systems; Child Restraint Anchorage Systems Phase-In Reporting Requirements; Correction

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation.

ACTION: Final rule; correction.

SUMMARY: This document contains a correction to a final rule (Docket NHTSA-03-15438) that was published Friday, June 27, 2003. The rule responded to petitions for reconsideration of final rules pertaining to Federal Motor Vehicle Safety

Standard (FMVSS) No. 225, Child Restraint Anchorage Systems.

EFFECTIVE DATE: September 19, 2003.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The final rule that is the subject of this correction responded to petitions for reconsideration of the agency's March 1999 final rule establishing Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard No. 225, *Child Restraint Anchorage Systems* (49 CFR 571.225), and of the agency's previous responses to petitions, published in August 1999 and July 2000.

Need for Correction

As published, the final rule contains errors that are in need of clarification. One error leads to unclear regulatory text that the agency wants to correct prior to October 1, when 49 CFR part 571 is annually revised. Other errors are more minor and will be corrected in a subsequent **Federal Register** document that responds to petitions for reconsideration received on the June 27, 2003 final rule (68 FR 38208).

Correction of Publication.

■ Accordingly, the publication on June 27, 2003 (68 FR 38208, FR Doc. 03-15953) amending FMVSS No. 225 is corrected as follows:

§ 596.5 [Corrected]

■ On page 38231 in the first column, in instruction 4, line 2, the phrase "introductory test" [sic] is removed.

■ On page 38231 in the first column, § 596.5, "Response to inquiries" is corrected to read:

§ 596.5 Response to inquiries.

At anytime during the production years ending August 31, 2000, August 31, 2001, August 31, 2002, and August 31, 2005, each manufacturer shall, upon request from the Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance, provide information identifying the vehicles (by make, model and vehicle identification number) that have been certified as complying with Standard No. 225 (49 CFR 571.225). The manufacturer's designation of a vehicle as a certified vehicle is irrevocable.

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Stephen R. Kratzke,

Associate Administrator for Rulemaking.

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