

Used Car Suggestions

The list following this introduction comes from Consumer Reports that rates cars on multiple years of reliability from 1999 to 2008. Urgent Care does not consider the information available during the first two years of manufacture dependable enough to offer our customers. This data is from the Annual Auto Survey on more than 1.4 million new and used vehicles in which owners reported on serious problems with vehicles in the previous year. According to the survey results, here are the best ones to look for. The data used for this survey comes from before the Toyota recalls and warnings. Information about recalls etc seems to get updated almost daily therefore it is important to keep track of that information and take it all into consideration when making your choice. If satisfactory updates have been completed for a recalled model, sometimes you can get a good deal on one until the stigma that is created by a recall fades.

Small Cars

#1 Honda Civic - This car is both reliable and economical to drive. The redesign in 2001 saw its popularity grow even larger and in 2003, the hybrid model was introduced. The redesign in 2006 included standard anti lock brakes, curtain air bags and owners report that the ride is even better than before.

Next Best Small Car Choices

Toyota Echo
Scion xB
Toyota Corolla
Toyota Matrix
Pontiac Vibe
Mazda3
Mazda Protege
Subaru Impreza

Family Cars

#1 Honda Accord - This car has been a top choice for years. The redesign in 2003 made this car more agile and even quieter and standard anti lock brakes were added.

Next Best Family Car Choices

Ford Fusion
Mercury Milan
Toyota Camry (except '08 V6)
Subaru Outback (6 cyl.)
Nissan Altima

Upscale Cars

#1 Lexus ES - This quiet and comfortable car has tested reliable for many years. In 2004 a stronger more fuel efficient engine was added.

Next Best Choices

Lexus IS
Toyota Avalon
Acura TSX
Lincoln MKZ, Zephyr (FWD)
Infinity G20
Acura TL
Infinity I30, I35
Infinity G35 (Sedan)
Volvo S60
Buick Lucerne (V8)
Nissan Maxima

Luxury Cars

#1 Infinity M35 - This car has been on the list of reliable vehicles since 2003. The redesign in 2006 added more comfort to this well built car.

Next Best Luxury Choices

Lexus LS
Lexus GS (6 cyl., RWD)
Acura RL

Sports and Sporty Cars

#1 Mazda Miata - This car gets points for reliability, easy handling, good performance and affordability.

Next Best Sporty Choices

Lexus SC
Honda S2000
Toyota Camry Solara
Acura RSX
Toyota Celica
Scion TC
BMW Z3, Z4
Acura Integra
Porsche Boxster
BMW M3
Subaru Impreza WRX/STi
Ford Mustang (V6)
Nissan 350Z

Minivans

#1 - Toyota Sienna - The 2003 redesign gave this reliable vehicle more power and more room, and is also available with AWD.

Next Best Minivan Choice

Honda Odyssey

Small SUVs

#1- Toyota RAV4 - This vehicle has been reliable since it was first introduced in 1996. The 2001 redesign brought more power plus more room inside and in 2006 an available third row was added.

Next Best Small SUV Choices

Honda CR-V

Subaru Forester

Mitsubishi Outlander

Mid-sized and Large SUVs

#1 - Honda Pilot - Since first introduced in 2003 this vehicle has had excellent crash test results and reliability. There is plenty of room in this fuel efficient vehicle and it also has flexible seating for eight.

Next Best Large SUV Choices

Toyota Highlander

Lexus RX

Toyota Land Cruiser

Toyota 4Runner

Infiniti FX35

Acura MDX

Infiniti QX4

Lexus GX

Hyundai Santa Fe

Subaru Tribeca

Nissan Xterra ('05-'08)

Toyota Sequoia

Pickup Trucks

No #1 Choice

Toyota Tacoma ('05-'08)

Honda Ridgeline

Toyota Tundra

Subaru Baja

Nissan Frontier ('05-'08)

As you can see from the results, Toyota and Honda come out way ahead of the pack for reliable used cars. If you are in the market for a used vehicle, this list will help point you in the right direction for reliability.