



Report

US \$44.99

2012 Volkswagen Passat S Pzev

114,081 mi | VIN: 1VWAP7A38CC009787

Sedan 4 DR | 2.5L I5 F DOHC 20V | Gasoline | Front wheel drive



DAMAGE

Damage Reported

31 Service History Records

At Least 1 Open Recall

3 Previous Owners

Types of Owners: Personal Lease, Personal

Last Owned in Georgia

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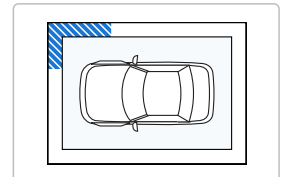
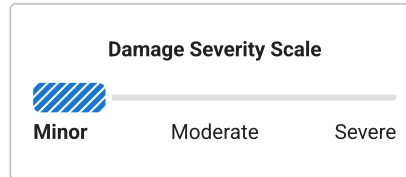
Accident / Damage History

Not all accidents / issues are reported to CARFAX

Event 1

03/29/2016

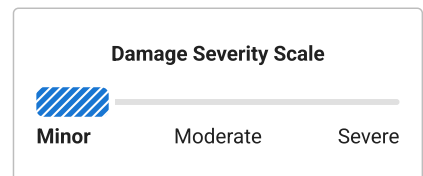
Damage reported: minor damage



Event 2

11/28/2017

Damage reported: minor damage

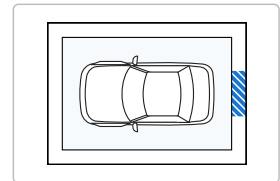
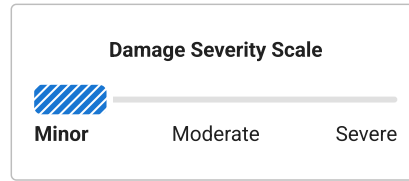


Event 3

08/15/2019

Accident reported: minor damage

- Vehicle involved in a rear-end collision
- Airbags did not deploy



Event 4

06/30/2022

Accident reported

- Involving rear impact
- It hit a parked motor vehicle
- Vehicle was not damaged

Event 5

09/21/2023

Damage reported



Recent Service Highlights

Key services performed in the last 12 months

Service	Comments	Date
Oil	✓ Oil and filter changed	12/22/2025
Fluses	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Antifreeze/coolant flushed/changed ✓ Engine oil system flushed 	09/06/2025











This car has been recently serviced. That's a good thing!




Additional History






Not all accidents / issues are reported to CARFAX

	Owner 1	Owner 2	Owner 3
Total Loss No total loss reported to CARFAX.	✓ No Issues Reported	✓ No Issues Reported	✓ No Issues Reported
Structural Damage CARFAX recommends that you have this vehicle inspected by a collision repair specialist.	✓ No Issues Reported	✓ No Issues Reported	✓ No Issues Reported
Airbag Deployment No airbag deployment reported to CARFAX.	✓ No Issues Reported	✓ No Issues Reported	✓ No Issues Reported
Odometer Check No indication of an odometer rollback.	✓ No Issues Indicated	✓ No Issues Indicated	✓ No Issues Indicated
Accident / Damage Damage reported: 03/29/2016, 11/28/2017, and 09/21/2023. Accidents reported: 08/15/2019 and 06/30/2022.	✓ No Issues Reported	✓ No Issues Reported	Accident Reported
Manufacturer Recall At least 1 manufacturer recall requires service. Locate an authorized Volkswagen dealer to obtain more information about this recall.	✓ No Recalls Reported	✓ No Recalls Reported	Recall Reported








 Title History CARFAX guarantees the information in this section	 Owner 1	 Owner 2	 Owner 3
Damage Brands Salvage Junk Rebuilt Fire Flood Hail Lemon	 Guaranteed No Problem	 Guaranteed No Problem	 Guaranteed No Problem
Odometer Brands Not Actual Mileage Exceeds Mechanical Limits	 Guaranteed No Problem	 Guaranteed No Problem	 Guaranteed No Problem

 **GUARANTEED** - None of these title problems were reported by a U.S. state Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). If you find that any of these title problems were reported by a DMV and not included in this report, you may qualify. [View Terms](#) | [View Certificate](#)

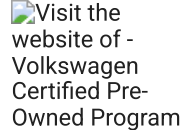
 Ownership History The number of owners is estimated	 Owner 1	 Owner 2	 Owner 3
Year purchased	2011	2014	2015
Type of owner	Personal Lease	Personal	Personal
Estimated length of ownership	9 months	1 yr. 4 mo.	11 yrs. 1 mo.
Owned in the following states/provinces	Illinois	Illinois	Georgia, Illinois
Estimated miles driven per year	---	18,127/yr	6,833/yr
Last reported odometer reading	11,966	38,829	114,081


 Detailed History			
 Owner 1 Purchased: 2011		Personal Lease Vehicle	
Date	Mileage	Source	Comments
Not Reported		NICB	Vehicle manufactured and shipped to original dealer
09/14/2011	5	Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites	Vehicle offered for sale
09/14/2011		Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites	 Vehicle serviced - Pre-delivery inspection completed - Grille replaced/repared - Radio code retrieved
09/23/2011		Illinois Motor Vehicle Dept.	Vehicle purchase reported - Titled or registered as personal lease vehicle
09/24/2011	80	Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites	 Vehicle serviced - Electrical system checked
10/24/2011		Illinois Motor Vehicle Dept. Saint Charles, IL Title #X1297694227	Title issued or updated - Registration issued or renewed - First owner reported - Titled or registered as personal lease vehicle - Loan or lien reported - Vehicle color noted as Black
01/23/2012	5,057	Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL	 Vehicle serviced - Maintenance inspection completed

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★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews
♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites





01/24/2012		Illinois Motor Vehicle Dept. Saint Charles, IL		Registration issued or renewed - Titled or registered as personal lease vehicle
02/03/2012	5,432	Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - 5,000 mile service performed - Tire condition and pressure checked
04/25/2012	8,844	Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced
06/14/2012	10,764	Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Maintenance inspection completed - 10,000 mile service performed - Air filter replaced
06/29/2012	11,241	Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites		Vehicle offered for sale
07/06/2012		Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Pre-delivery inspection completed
<div style="border: 1px solid #00aaff; border-radius: 5px; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 10px auto;">Looks like this dealer serviced the car in order to prepare it for sale. That's a good thing!</div>				
01/07/2013	11,475	Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Pre-delivery inspection completed - Maintenance inspection completed
06/20/2013	11,706	Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites		Odometer reading reported
08/07/2013	11,850	Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - 20,000 mile service performed - Cabin air filter replaced/cleaned
10/31/2013	11,851	Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Key(s) (re) programmed
12/09/2013	11,853	Fox Valley Volkswagen		Odometer reading reported


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12/10/2013		Volkswagen Certified Dealer West Chicago, IL 	Offered for sale as a Volkswagen Certified Pre-Owned vehicle - Black exterior - Titan black interior
12/26/2013	11,966	Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites	Vehicle sold
12/26/2013		Illinois Motor Vehicle Dept.	Vehicle purchase reported
01/10/2014		Illinois Motor Vehicle Dept. Chicago, IL	Registration issued or renewed


 **Owner 2**
Purchased: 2014




Personal Vehicle
18,127 mi/yr

Date	Mileage	Source	Comments
01/15/2014		Illinois Motor Vehicle Dept. Chicago, IL Title #140156903570	Title issued or updated - New owner reported - Loan or lien reported - Vehicle color noted as Black
03/22/2014	18,020	Fox Valley Volkswagen Saint Charles, IL 630-231-9900 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 392 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,442 Customer Favorites	 Vehicle serviced - Brake light bulb(s) replaced - Fluids checked - Tail light bulb(s) replaced
05/30/2014	22,062	Honda of Downtown Chicago Chicago, IL 312-429-4937 ★ 4.0 / 5.0 418 Verified Reviews ♥ 10 Customer Favorites	 Vehicle serviced - Maintenance inspection completed - 30,000 mile service performed - Airbag system checked - Brake fluid flushed/changed - Brake system bled - Drivability/performance checked - Steering column repaired - Steering wheel rotation sensor replaced - Tire condition and pressure checked
11/17/2014	29,444	Honda of Downtown Chicago Chicago, IL 312-429-4937 ★ 4.0 / 5.0 418 Verified Reviews ♥ 10 Customer Favorites	 Vehicle serviced - Maintenance inspection completed - Tail light bulb(s) replaced - Turn signal bulb(s) replaced
01/02/2015		Illinois Motor Vehicle Dept. Chicago, IL	Registration issued or renewed - Correction to record
01/03/2015	33,227	Honda of Downtown Chicago Chicago, IL 312-429-4937 ★ 4.0 / 5.0 418 Verified Reviews ♥ 10 Customer Favorites	 Vehicle serviced - Maintenance inspection completed - Oil and filter changed

04/13/2015	37,143	Honda of Downtown Chicago Chicago, IL 312-429-4937 ★ 4.0 / 5.0 418 Verified Reviews ♥ 10 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Computer(s) checked - Electrical system checked
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05/15/2015	38,829	Georgia Inspection Station		Passed emissions inspection
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 Owner 3 Purchased: 2015	Low mileage! This owner drove less than the industry average of 15,000 miles per year.	Personal Vehicle 6,833 mi/yr
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Date	Mileage	Source		Comments
05/16/2015		Georgia Motor Vehicle Dept. Peachtree Corners, GA Title #172896151368016		Title or registration issued - New owner reported - Loan or lien reported - Vehicle color noted as Black
06/18/2015		Georgia Motor Vehicle Dept. Peachtree Corners, GA Title #777416151699016		Title issued or updated - Title or registration issued - Loan or lien reported - Vehicle color noted as Black
07/08/2015	42,559	Jim Ellis Volkswagen of Atlanta Atlanta, GA 770-458-6811 ★ 4.6 / 5.0 445 Verified Reviews ♥ 21 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Maintenance inspection completed - Air filter replaced - Cabin air filter replaced/cleaned
02/01/2016	51,285	Jim Ellis Volkswagen of Atlanta Atlanta, GA 770-458-6811 ★ 4.6 / 5.0 445 Verified Reviews ♥ 21 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced
03/05/2016	52,649	Jim Ellis Volkswagen of Kennesaw Kennesaw, GA 770-370-4900 ★ 4.5 / 5.0 938 Verified Reviews ♥ 3,009 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Maintenance inspection completed - 50,000 mile service performed - Brakes checked - Fluids checked - Maintenance reminder reset - Oil and filter changed - Tires rotated - Wipers/washers checked

03/29/2016		Damage Report		Damage reported: minor damage - Damage to right front
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Damage Severity Scale

Minor

Severe

Moderate












04/30/2016	56,580	<p>Jim Ellis Volkswagen of Atlanta Atlanta, GA 770-458-6811</p> <p>★ 4.6 / 5.0 445 Verified Reviews</p> <p>♥ 21 Customer Favorites</p>	 <p>Vehicle serviced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Battery/charging system checked - Four wheel alignment performed - Tire condition and pressure checked - Tire(s) replaced
06/25/2016	58,909	<p>Georgia Inspection Station</p>	<p>Passed emissions inspection</p>
06/27/2016		<p>Georgia Motor Vehicle Dept. Atlanta, GA Title #777416151699016</p>	<p>Registration issued or renewed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Loan or lien reported - Registration updated when owner moved the vehicle to a new location - Vehicle color noted as Black
04/15/2017	70,923	<p>Buckhead Tire and Auto Repair Atlanta, GA 404-812-9909</p> <p>★ 4.8 / 5.0 117 Verified Reviews</p> <p>♥ 44 Customer Favorites</p>	 <p>Vehicle serviced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Emissions inspection performed
04/15/2017		<p>Georgia Inspection Station</p>	<p>Passed emissions inspection</p>
04/15/2017		<p>Georgia Motor Vehicle Dept. Atlanta, GA Title #777416151699016</p>	<p>Registration issued or renewed</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Loan or lien reported - Vehicle color noted as Black
05/27/2017	72,887	<p>Jim Ellis Volkswagen of Atlanta Atlanta, GA 770-458-6811</p> <p>★ 4.6 / 5.0 445 Verified Reviews</p> <p>♥ 21 Customer Favorites</p>	 <p>Vehicle serviced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maintenance inspection completed - Airbag replaced - License plate light bulb(s) replaced - Oil and filter changed
08/31/2017	75,756	<p>Jim Ellis Volkswagen of Atlanta Atlanta, GA 770-458-6811</p> <p>★ 4.6 / 5.0 445 Verified Reviews</p> <p>♥ 21 Customer Favorites</p>	 <p>Vehicle serviced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maintenance inspection completed - Battery/charging system checked - Battery replaced
11/28/2017		<p>Damage Report</p>	<p>Damage reported: minor damage</p> <div> </div>
12/23/2017	82,236	<p>Jim Ellis Volkswagen of Atlanta Atlanta, GA 770-458-6811</p>	 <p>Vehicle serviced</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Maintenance inspection completed - Air filter replaced

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 ❤️ 21 Customer Favorites

- Cabin air filter replaced/cleaned
- Engine/powertrain computer/module checked
- Front wiper blades/refills replaced
- Wiper(s) replaced

02/23/2018		Georgia Motor Vehicle Dept. Atlanta, GA Title #771133180545970	Vehicle purchase reported - Title issued or updated - Loan or lien released - Vehicle color noted as Black
04/28/2018	86,396	Georgia Inspection Station	Passed emissions inspection
05/04/2018		Georgia Motor Vehicle Dept. Atlanta, GA Title #771133180545970	Registration issued or renewed - Loan or lien released - Vehicle color noted as Black
06/11/2019		Volkswagen	Manufacturer Compliance Recall issued - NHTSA #19V389 - Recall #94L9 HEADLAMP CAPS - Status: Remedy Available Locate an authorized Volkswagen dealer to obtain more information about this recall Learn more about this recall
<div style="border: 1px solid blue; padding: 5px;"> <p>Description: The headlights are not permitted to have a horizontal adjustment for vehicles certified according to regulatory requirements. The horizontal adjuster is blocked from further adjustment by means of a cap (after the initial adjustment is performed in the production process). Some vehicles did not have the required cap installed. Incorrectly adjusted headlights may result in reduced visibility (for the driver and other motorists) which could increase the risk of a crash.</p> <p>Remedy: Inspect and, if necessary install missing headlight adjusting screw caps.</p> </div>			
07/20/2019	89,395	Georgia Inspection Station	Passed emissions inspection
07/24/2019		Georgia Motor Vehicle Dept. Atlanta, GA Title #771133180545970	Registration issued or renewed - Loan or lien released - Vehicle color noted as Black
08/15/2019		Damage Report	Accident reported: minor damage - Vehicle involved in a rear-end collision - Damage to rear - Airbags did not deploy
<div style="border: 1px solid gray; padding: 10px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Damage Severity Scale</p> <div style="display: flex; align-items: center; justify-content: center;"> <div style="width: 20px; height: 10px; background: repeating-linear-gradient(45deg, transparent, transparent 2px, blue 2px, blue 4px); margin-right: 5px;"></div> <div style="flex-grow: 1; border-bottom: 1px solid gray; position: relative;"> <div style="position: absolute; left: -20px; top: 50%; transform: translateY(-50%);">Minor</div> <div style="position: absolute; left: 50%; top: 50%; transform: translate(-50%, -50%);">Moderate</div> <div style="position: absolute; right: -20px; top: 50%; transform: translateY(-50%);">Severe</div> </div> </div> </div> <div style="border: 1px solid gray; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Damage Location</p> <p style="text-align: center;">FRONT</p> <div style="text-align: center;"> </div> <p style="text-align: center;">REAR</p> </div>			
09/18/2020	92,391	Georgia Inspection Station	Passed emissions inspection

09/30/2020		Georgia Motor Vehicle Dept. Atlanta, GA Title #771133180545970		Registration issued or renewed - Loan or lien released - Vehicle color noted as Black
01/30/2021	93,377	Pep Boys Kennesaw, GA 770-592-0811 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 96 Verified Reviews ❤️ 44 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Maintenance inspection completed - Blower motor replaced/repaired - Brakes checked - Fuel system cleaned/serviced - Oil and filter changed - Tires rotated
01/30/2021		Warrantech Automotive, Inc. Atlanta, GA		Service contract issued
09/19/2021	94,088	Georgia Inspection Station		Passed emissions inspection
09/24/2021		Georgia Motor Vehicle Dept. Acworth, GA Title #771133180545970		Registration issued or renewed - Loan or lien released - Registration updated when owner moved the vehicle to a new location - Vehicle color noted as Black
03/12/2022	95,000	Illinois Inspection Station Skokie, IL		Passed emissions inspection
03/22/2022		Illinois Motor Vehicle Dept. Chicago, IL Title #220816924600		Title issued or updated - Registration issued or renewed - Registration updated when owner moved the vehicle to a new location - Vehicle color noted as Black
06/30/2022		Damage Report		Accident reported - Involving rear impact - It hit a parked motor vehicle - Vehicle was not damaged
06/16/2023		Car-X Tire & Auto Chicago, IL 773-463-4169 ★ 4.6 / 5.0 63 Verified Reviews ❤️ 2 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Maintenance inspection completed - Recommended maintenance performed
07/05/2023		Illinois Motor Vehicle Dept. Chicago, IL		Registration issued or renewed
09/21/2023		Damage Report		Damage reported <div style="border: 1px solid #007bff; padding: 5px; margin-top: 5px;">Not all damage is caused by an accident. Get the car inspected before you buy. Learn More</div>
09/22/2023	99,050	Car-X Tire & Auto Chicago, IL 773-463-4169 ★ 4.6 / 5.0 63 Verified Reviews ❤️ 2 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Maintenance inspection completed - Recommended maintenance performed - Catalytic converter checked - Exhaust repaired - Oxygen sensor replaced
04/10/2024	99,756	City Volkswagen of Chicago Chicago, IL 773-794-7800 ★ 4.4 / 5.0 584 Verified Reviews ❤️ 8,237 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Maintenance inspection completed
04/11/2024		Service Facility		Vehicle reconditioned

04/19/2024	99,764	City Volkswagen of Chicago Chicago, IL 773-794-7800 ★ 4.4 / 5.0 584 Verified Reviews ♥ 8,237 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Maintenance inspection completed
05/14/2024	103,000	Illinois Inspection Station Skokie, IL		Failed emissions inspection
05/16/2024		Illinois Inspection Station Skokie, IL		Passed emissions inspection
05/20/2024		Illinois Motor Vehicle Dept. Chicago, IL		Registration issued or renewed
11/01/2024		Volkswagen		Manufacturer Safety Recall issued - NHTSA #24V834 - Recall #69EG DRIVER FRONTAL AIRBAG - Status: Remedy Available Locate an authorized Volkswagen dealer to obtain more information about this recall Learn more about this recall
<div style="border: 1px solid #00aaff; padding: 10px;"> <p>Description: The drivers side frontal airbag inflator may explode due to propellant degradation occurring after long-term exposure to high absolute humidity, high temperatures, and high temperature cycling. An inflator explosion may result in sharp metal fragments striking the driver or other occupants resulting in serious injury or death.</p> <p>Remedy: Replace driver frontal airbag or airbag inflator.</p> </div>				
04/23/2025	107,394	Georgia Inspection Station		Passed emissions inspection
04/25/2025		Georgia Motor Vehicle Dept.		Vehicle purchase reported
04/28/2025		Georgia Motor Vehicle Dept. Acworth, GA Title #770232274216007		Title or registration issued - Registration updated when owner moved the vehicle to a new location - Vehicle color noted as Black
09/06/2025	111,462	Grease Monkey #1025 Acworth, GA 770-591-9041 ★ 4.9 / 5.0 186 Verified Reviews ♥ 1,685 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Maintenance inspection completed - Antifreeze/coolant checked - Antifreeze/coolant flushed/changed - Brake fluid checked - Cooling system serviced - Engine oil system flushed - Oil and filter changed
12/22/2025	114,081	Take 5 Oil Change Kennesaw, GA (470) 308-4382 ★ 4.7 / 5.0 155 Verified Reviews ♥ 1,786 Customer Favorites		Vehicle serviced - Oil and filter changed

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Accident Indicator

CARFAX receives information about accidents in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Canada.

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- According to the National Safety Council, Injury Facts, 2021 edition, 5% of the 276 million registered vehicles in the U.S. were involved in an accident in 2019. Over 77% of these were considered minor or moderate.

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Damage Indicator

Damage can be a result of many different types of events. Examples include contact with objects (other cars, trees, traffic signs, road debris, etc), vandalism, or weather-related events. Not every damage event is reported to CARFAX. As details about the damage event become available, those additional details are added to the CARFAX Vehicle History Report. CARFAX recommends that you have this vehicle inspected by a qualified mechanic.

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Damage Severity

Damage events result in one of the following severity levels:

- Minor: Generally, minor damage is cosmetic (including dents or scratches), may only require reconditioning, and typically does not compromise a vehicle's operation and/or safety.
- Moderate: Moderate damage may affect multiple components of the vehicle and may impair the vehicle's operation and/or safety.
- Severe: Severe damage usually affects multiple components of the vehicle and is likely to compromise the vehicle's operation and/or safety.

CARFAX recommends getting a pre-purchase inspection at a certified collision repair facility.

Failed Emissions Inspection

The emissions check performed during a vehicle inspection indicated the vehicle was emitting more than allowable emissions standards and/or had missing or modified parts. Repeated failed emissions records can indicate engine problems and CARFAX recommends you have the vehicle inspected.

First Owner

When the first owner(s) obtains a title from a Department of Motor Vehicles as proof of ownership.

Manufacturer Recall

Automobile manufacturers issue recall notices to inform vehicle owners of a safety defect or failure to meet minimum federal safety or emissions standards. Manufacturer recalls are repaired at no cost to the customer.

New Owner Reported


When a vehicle is sold to a new owner, the Title must be transferred to the new owner(s) at a Department of Motor Vehicles.

Ownership History

CARFAX defines an owner as an individual or business that possesses and uses a vehicle. Not all title transactions represent changes in ownership. To provide estimated number of owners, CARFAX proprietary technology analyzes all the events in a vehicle history. Estimated ownership is available for vehicles manufactured after 1991 and titled solely in the US including Puerto Rico. Dealers sometimes opt to take ownership of a vehicle and are required to in the following states: Maine, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and South Dakota. Please consider this as you review a vehicle's estimated ownership history.

Title Issued

A state issues a title to provide a vehicle owner with proof of ownership. Each title has a unique number. Each title or registration record on a CARFAX report does not necessarily indicate a change in ownership. In Canada, a registration and bill of sale are used as proof of ownership.

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