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Best + Worst Lists

Begin your search for a new or used vehicle here, with our lists of the best—and worst—performers in terms of reliability, fuel economy, and more. Our findings are based on our own rigorous testing, as well as feedback from hundreds of thousands of CR members. In other words, we’ve kicked the tires so you don’t have to.

BEST NEW VEHICLES UNDER \$30,000

The average price of a new vehicle is \$35,478, but many top-performing models can be had for far less. The cars, station wagons, and SUVs below (listed in alphabetical order by class) have all met the stringent performance, reliability, and safety requirements necessary to earn CR’s recommendation.

SUBCOMPACT CARS	COMPACT CARS	MIDSIZE CARS	SPORTY CARS	SUBCOMPACT SUVs	COMPACT SUVs	WAGONS (ALL-WHEEL DRIVE)
Honda Fit	Chevrolet Cruze	Honda Accord	Honda Civic Si	Honda HR-V	Honda CR-V	Subaru Outback (4-cyl.)
Toyota Yaris	Honda Civic	Hyundai Sonata	Hyundai Veloster	Hyundai Kona	Kia Sportage	
	Honda Insight	Kia Optima	Mazda MX-5 Miata	Nissan Rogue Sport	Mazda CX-5	
	Hyundai Elantra	Mazda6	Subaru BRZ	Subaru Crosstrek	Nissan Rogue	
	Hyundai Elantra GT	Nissan Altima	Toyota 86		Subaru Forester	
	Kia Forte	Subaru Legacy				
	Kia Soul	Toyota Camry				
	Subaru Impreza	Volkswagen Passat				
	Toyota C-HR					
	Toyota Corolla Hatchback					
	Toyota Prius					
	Toyota Prius Prime					
	Volkswagen Golf					
	Volkswagen Jetta					