

# Eight automakers recall over 12M vehicles for Takata air bags

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DETROIT — Eight automakers are recalling more than 12 million vehicles in the U.S. to replace potentially dangerous Takata air bag inflators.

Documents detailing recalls by Honda, Fiat Chrysler, Toyota, Mazda, Nissan, Subaru, Ferrari and Mitsubishi were posted Friday by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

They're part of a massive expansion of Takata air bag recalls announced earlier this month. Seventeen automakers are adding 35 million-to-40 million inflators to what already was the largest auto recall in U.S. history.

In addition, the Japanese transport ministry on Friday announced 7 million more Takata-related recalls covering air bag inflators without a chemical drying agent.

Friday's U.S. recalls include passenger air bags in older models in areas along the Gulf Coast with high heat and humidity. But other areas of the country are also affected depending on the age of vehicles.

Takata uses the chemical ammonium nitrate to create a small explosion that inflates air bags in a crash. But the chemical can deteriorate over time when exposed to high heat and humidity and burn faster than designed. That can blow apart a metal canister, spewing hot shrapnel into vehicles.

The inflators are responsible for 11 deaths and more than 100 injuries worldwide. Two more deaths are under investigation in Malaysia.

The recalls are among the first unveiled by automakers since Takata agreed May 4 to the recall expansion, and more will be announced in the coming week. The recalls are being phased in by the government due to a lack of available replacement parts. Models from 2011 or older in high heat and humidity areas will get first priority, followed by 2008 and older models in Southern-tier states, then 2004 and older models in the rest of the country.

Research has shown that it takes at least six years for the ammonium nitrate to deteriorate. That's the reason older models get priority.

Honda had the biggest recall total on Friday with more than 4.5 million inflators, while Fiat Chrysler reported 4.3 million. The Honda total includes about 2,700 Gold Wing motorcycles with optional front air bags.

Honda says the latest recall covers only about 2.2 million additional Honda and Acura vehicles. The other 2.3 million vehicles were recalled previously for Takata problems. Honda expects the recalls to start in late summer for automobiles and in late fall for the motorcycles.

Fiat Chrysler said it's not aware of any crashes or injuries involving its vehicles

## Remember these?

Pinto, Tylenol and other infamous recalls

NEW YORK (AP) — Recalls related to Takata air bags, which have already led to the largest auto recall in U.S. history, keep growing. Takata joins a list of notorious product recalls, some of which were handled better than others by the corporations involved.

Here's a look at some other headline-grabbing recalls:

**FORD PINTO**  
Ford recalled more than 1.5 million Pintos in 1978 due to the faulty position of fuel tanks. In some cases, the fuel tank burst into flames after a rear-end collisions. At least 27 people died as a result.

**TYLENOL**  
About 35 years ago, Johnson & Johnson recalled more than 20 million bottles of Tylenol capsules after someone laced the painkillers with cyanide and put them in store shelves in the Chicago area. Seven people were killed. Johnson & Johnson repackaged Tylenol with tamper-resistant packaging, showing how a company could emerge from a disaster and improve an industry.

**FIRESTONE TIRES**  
About 6.5 million Firestone tires were recalled in 2000 because the tires could shred, blow out or fail. Most of the tires were used in Ford SUVs and light pickup trucks. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said in 2001 that it received 271 reports of deaths and 800 injuries related to the faulty tires.

**EASY-BAKE OVENS**  
Nearly one million Easy-Bake Ovens were recalled in 2007 after toy maker Hasbro received reports that kids were getting their hands stuck in the oven's opening. Some kids sustained burns.

**KEURIG COFFEE MACHINE**  
Keurig recalled more than 7 million of its single-serve coffee brewing machines after reports that some of them spewed hot liquids and injured people.

that are part of the recall.

The latest recalls cover mainly front passenger inflators without the chemical drying agent. The jury is still out on whether Takata will have to recall millions more inflators with the drying agent. Takata has to prove to the government that those are safe by the end of 2019, or they will be recalled.

Before the latest expansion, automakers had recalled 28.8 million Takata inflators, so as many as 69 million could be recalled in the U.S. alone. The numbers have raised concerns about Takata's financial survival. The Japanese parts supplier has hired advisory firm Lazard to restructure its finances, and automakers likely will have to shoulder some costs.

Since the recalled models vary by state and age, officials say that the best way to see if your car is affected is to go to <https://vinrel.safercar.gov/vin/> and key

in the vehicle identification number. That number can be found on the driver's side of the dashboard near the windshield or on state vehicle registrations. It may take several weeks for all the newly recalled vehicles to be entered into the databases.

Here are models covered by the recalls announced Friday:

**HONDA:** Certain 2003-2006 Acura MDX, 2005-2011 Acura RL, 2009-2011 Acura TL, 2010-2011 Acura TSX, 2008-2011 Acura ZDX, 2010-2011 Honda Accord, 2010-2011 Honda Accord Crosstour, 2006-2011 Honda Civic, 2005-2011 Honda CR-V, 2003-2011 Honda Element, 2010-2011 Honda FCX Clarity, 2007-2011 Honda Fit, 2010-2011 Honda Insight, 2002-2004 Honda Odyssey, 2003-2011 Honda Pilot, 2006-2011 Honda Ridgeline, certain 2006-2010 Honda Gold Wing motorcycles.

## FIAT CHRYSLER:

Certain 2007-2009 Chrysler Aspen SUVs, 2005-2012 Chrysler 300, 2008-2012 Dodge Challenger, 2006-2012 Dodge Charger, 2005-2011 Dodge Dakota pickups, 2004-2009 Dodge Durango SUVs, 2005-2008 Dodge Magnum wagons, 2004-2008 Ram 1500 pickups, 2005-2009 Ram 2500 pickups, 2006-2009 Ram 3500 pickups, 2007-2010 Ram/Ram 3500 cab chassis, 2008-2010 Ram/Ram 4500/5500 cab chassis, 2007-2012 Jeep Wrangler SUVs, 2006-2009 Mitsubishi Raider pickups, 2008-2009 Sterling/Bullet 4500/5500 cab chassis.

**TOYOTA:** Certain 2008-2011 Scion xB and Lexus IS F, 2009-2011 Toyota Corolla and Matrix, 2006-2011 Toyota Yaris, Lexus IS250 and Lexus IS350, 2010-2011 Toyota 4Runner, Lexus IS250C, Lexus IS350C and Lexus GX460, 2011 Sienna, 2007-2011 Lexus ES350, and 2009-2010 Pontiac Vibe designed for General Motors by Toyota.

**MAZDA:** Certain 2009-2011 Mazda6, 2007-2011 CX-7 and CX-9, 2004-2011 RX-8, 2004-2006 MPV, 2003-2008 Mazda6, 2006-2007 Mazdaspeed6

**SUBARU:** Certain 2003-2004 Legacy and Outback, 2006 Saab 9-2x made by Subaru, and 2003-2006 Baja pickups. Also certain 2009-2011 Legacy, Outback and Forester; 2006-2011 Impreza and Tribeca.

**NISSAN:** Certain 2005-2008 Infiniti FX35 and FX45, 2003-2004 Infiniti I30 and I35, 2006-2010 Infiniti M35 and M45, and 2007-2011 Nissan Versa.

**FERRARI:** Certain 2009-2011 Ferrari California and 2010-2011 458 Italia.

**MITSUBISHI:** Certain 2006-2007 Lancer and Lancer Evolution cars.

## BRIEFLY

### Heppner chamber meets June 2

HEPPNER — An all-entities report is planned during the upcoming Heppner Chamber of Commerce meeting.

The no-host luncheon is Thursday, June 2 at noon at Heppner City Hall, 111 N. Main St. Catered by Heppner Family Foods, the meal includes a taco salad, garlic bread and cookies. The cost is \$10.

To ensure there's enough food, those planning to attend are asked to RSVP by Tuesday. For more information or to reserve a meal, contact [heppnerchamber@centurytel.net](mailto:heppnerchamber@centurytel.net) or 541-676-5536.

### Wildhorse hires new chef

MISSION — Bringing more than 20 years of experience in fine dining and culinary arts at gaming properties, Hamadou Dagnogo is the new executive chef at the Plateau restaurant at Wildhorse Resort & Casino.

Originally from the Ivory Coast of West Africa, Dagnogo was trained in Paris and worked abroad in Italy — helping him become fluent in French, Italian and English — before coming to the United States. He most recently worked as the executive chef for SKY Ute Casino in Colorado and Meadows Racetrack & Casino in Pennsylvania.

Bruce Mecham, director of food and beverage at Wildhorse, said Dagnogo's experience gives him an ability to impact the buffet, sports bar and deli offerings, while continuing to raise the bar at Plateau.

The Plateau restaurant is open daily at 5 p.m. In addition, it's available for lunch parties of 20 or more with prior arrangements. Wildhorse is located off Interstate 84 at Exit 216. For more information or reservations, call 541-966-1610.



Dagnogo

### Boardman chamber sets annual meeting

BOARDMAN — The annual meeting of the Boardman Chamber of Commerce will include a review of the past year, as well as looking forward to the rest of 2016.

The no-host luncheon event is Wednesday, June 15 at noon at the Port of Morrow, 2 Marine Drive, Boardman. The meal costs \$12 per person.

Those planning to attend are asked to RSVP by Friday, June 10 by calling 541-481-3014.

### Boardman bank hosts barbecue

BOARDMAN — A customer appreciation barbecue is planned at the Boardman branch of the Bank of Eastern Oregon.

Customers are invited to enjoy some food and visit with bank employees during the Friday, June 10 event. The barbecue will be fired up from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at 100 City Center Drive, Boardman.

For more information, call 541-481-3445.

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