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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         |                   |                  |                    |                 |                          |