



Automotive Safety Council

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NHTSA Recalls of Interest

May 16, 2016

RECALL Subject : Loss of Steering Ability

Report Receipt Date: MAY 11, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V292000

Component(s): STEERING

Potential Number of Units Affected: 48,500

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• SUBARU	LEGACY	2016-2017
• SUBARU	OUTBACK	2015-2017

Manufacturer: Subaru of America, Inc.

SUMMARY:

Subaru of America, Inc. (Subaru) is recalling certain model year 2016-2017 Legacy and Outback vehicles manufactured February 29, 2016, to May 6, 2016. The NSK Steering Systems America steering column on the affected vehicles may have been improperly machined, and as a result, turning the steering wheel may have no effect on the direction of the wheels.

CONSEQUENCE:

The loss of steering ability would increase the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

Subaru will notify owners, and dealers will inspect the lot number on the steering column, replacing the steering column, as necessary, free of charge. The recall began May 13, 2016

RECALL Subject : No 'Key Left in Ignition' Warning Chime/FMVSS 114

Report Receipt Date: APR 28, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V257000

Component(s): ELECTRICAL SYSTEM , EQUIPMENT

Potential Number of Units Affected: 317,572

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• CHEVROLET	SONIC	2013-2016
• CHEVROLET	SPARK	2013-2015
• CHEVROLET	TRAX	2013-2016

Manufacturer: General Motors LLC

SUMMARY:

General Motors LLC (GM) is recalling certain model year 2013-2016 Chevrolet Sonic and Trax vehicles and 2013-2015 Chevrolet Spark vehicles equipped with a Bring Your Own Media radio. The affected LG Electronics radio software may fail to provide an audible warning chime when the driver, after turning off the ignition and leaving the key in the cylinder, waits 10 minutes or longer to open the door. As such, these vehicles fail to comply with the requirements of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) number 114 "Theft Protection."

In certain vehicles, when the radio goes into sleep mode, initial AMP power is not completed (or "woken up") in time for the radio to receive the key reminder chime command.

CONSEQUENCE:

Without audible indicators, the driver may leave the key in the ignition, increasing the risk of theft.

REMEDY:

GM will notify owners, and dealers will update the radio software, free of charge. The manufacturer has not yet provided a notification schedule.

RECALL Subject : Unexpected Transmission Downshift

Report Receipt Date: APR 27, 2016

NHTSA Campaign Number: 16V248000

Component(s): POWER TRAIN

Potential Number of Units Affected: 184,000

Vehicle Make	Model	Model Year(s)
• FORD	EXPEDITION	2012
• FORD	F-150	2011-2012
• FORD	MUSTANG	2012
• LINCOLN	NAVIGATOR	2012

Manufacturer: Ford Motor Company

SUMMARY:

Ford Motor Company (Ford) is recalling certain model year 2011-2012 Ford F-150 trucks manufactured August 19, 2011, to March 9, 2012, 2012 Ford Expedition, Lincoln Navigator vehicles manufactured August 19, 2011, to December 19, 2011, and 2012 Ford Mustang vehicles manufactured August 19, 2011, to February 21, 2012. The affected vehicles are equipped with an automatic transmission with Continental Automotive Systems software that may unexpectedly downshift to first gear, regardless of vehicle speed.

CONSEQUENCE:

An unexpected downshift into first gear can cause the vehicle to slow down suddenly without warning and the rear tires may slide or lock, increasing the risk of a crash.

REMEDY:

Ford will notify owners, and dealers will reprogram the powertrain control module with updated software, free of charge. The recall is expected to begin May 23, 2016.