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2009 Dodge Dakota: Bold Styling, Power, Versatility and Capability for Any Lifestyle

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Designed for customers with active lifestyles, the 2009 Dodge Dakota offers a lot to individuals who need a vehicle to meet a variety of needs. Depending on an owner's lifestyle, the 2009 Dodge Dakota may be equipped for work or play, but every Dakota is capable and versatile.

The 2009 Dodge Dakota features distinctive exterior and interior styling, and many best-in-class capabilities, such as the only available V-8 engine in its class, best-in-class towing capability of up to 7,050 pounds, the greatest interior room of any mid-size truck, with 30 cubic feet of interior space in Extended Cab models and 37.1 cubic feet for Crew Cab, and the largest and longest standard cargo bed in its class: 6-foot 6-inches in the Extended Cab.

For 2009, the Dodge Dakota is offered in two body styles – Extended Cab and Crew Cab. Four trim levels are offered: ST, Big Horn (Lone Star in Texas only), TRX4 and Laramie .

WHAT'S NEW FOR 2009

NEW MODELS

- Big Horn/Lone Star models replace SXT
- SLT, Sport and TRX 4x2 trim levels dropped for 2009

EXTERIOR

- New exterior colors: Stone White Clear Coat, Deep Water Blue Pearl Coat, Austin Tan Pearl Coat
- Crate 'N Go™ standard on Big Horn/Lone Star models
- 4.7-liter V-8 engine available on Big Horn/Lone Star models
- 18-inch aluminum wheels standard on Laramie model

INTERIOR

- Tilt steering wheel standard on ST model
- Premium cloth bucket seats standard on Laramie
- Premium bolstered bucket seats standard on TRX4

DESIGN

The 2009 Dodge Dakota's exterior includes a boldly styled hood, grille, front fascia, fenders and headlamps. The hood surface was designed to signify power and further amplify the drop-fendered, signature look for Dodge trucks. The front end was designed to improve aerodynamics and features better fit and gap management.

Fascias integrate with the grille and incorporate available fog lamps. The 2009 Dodge Dakota's tailgate includes a spoiler (available with bedliner option) that helps smooth air flow over the rear of the truck to improve fuel economy, and the top surface of the cargo box has a protective surface.

Headlamps are rectangular to achieve a contemporary appearance, but also to maximize the surface area for better forward lighting. Reflectors are deep-set behind each lens to create a serious demeanor.

The 2009 Dodge Dakota's interior is designed to provide an ergonomically friendly cockpit with improved comfort, utility and thoughtful storage amenities to complement a variety of lifestyles. It includes a center console with modular

inserts, and several interior storage features including the innovative Crate 'N Go™ storage system that includes unique, collapsible and removable containers.

ENGINEERING

The 2009 Dodge Dakota comes standard with a 3.7-liter Magnum® V-6 engine producing 210 horsepower (157 kW) and 235 lb.-ft. (319 N•m) of torque. The engine also comes with Electronic Throttle Control, which provides engine torque control while compensating for changes in engine load caused by the air conditioning compressor, alternator and power steering pump. Exhaust gas recirculation helps lower emissions.

The available 4.7-liter V-8 offers improved fuel economy, power and torque than previous 4.7-liter engines, while at the same time delivering increased refinement. The 4.7-liter V-8 incorporates two spark plugs per cylinder (the only Chrysler engine to do so, other than the 5.7-liter HEMI®), increased compression ratio, improved cylinder-head port flow and a new combustion system. The result is 302 horsepower (225 kW) and 329 lb.-ft. (446 N•m) of torque.

The 4.7-liter V-8 is remarkably refined as a result of a quiet and efficient induction system, a lightweight piston/rod assembly and low accessory drive noise through lower accessory drive speed. The 4.7-liter V-8 is also equipped with Electronic Throttle Control.

The 4.7-liter powerplant is E85 compatible, earning the Flexible-Fuel Vehicle (FFV) designation that provides customers the option of operating their 2009 Dodge Dakota on ethanol, gasoline or a mixture of the two.

The 2009 Dodge Dakota's 3.7-liter V-6 is backed up by a six-speed manual transmission, standard on the Dakota ST; a four-speed automatic with overdrive is standard on the Big Horn/Lone Star, TRX4, and Laramie models; and a five-speed automatic is standard on V-8-equipped models.

The 2009 Dodge Dakota features a ladder-type frame, with hydroformed main rails fully boxed for strength and rigidity. All 2009 Dodge Dakotas feature an independent front suspension with coil-over shock absorbers. The result is identical ride height for two- and four-wheel-drive models, which contributes to smooth ride and handling characteristics.

The 2009 Dodge Dakota continues to offer the largest and longest standard cargo bed in its class: 6-foot 6-inches in the Extended Cab. Available built-in utility rails make cargo box tie-downs infinitely adjustable. The 2009 Dodge Dakota's dual-position tailgate may be secured in a mid-position, which provides support for extra-wide or extra-long cargo laid on top of wheel wells and extending beyond the end of the bed.

The 2009 Dodge Dakota also has the highest tow ratings in the mid-size pickup market, with towing ability of up to 7,050 pounds.

Twenty-five safety and security features are standard on the 2009 Dodge Dakota.

PRODUCT HIGHLIGHTS

Distinctive Styling

- Dakota features exterior and interior styling for 2009 that bear signature Dodge styling cues while creating a new persona for Dakota
- Offered in two body styles and four trim levels, Dakota's exterior includes boldly styled hood, grille, front fascia, fenders, and headlamps. Dakota also offers an available rear spoiler, cargo box top protection, and utility rail system

Refined Performance

- Available 4.7L V-8 engine produces 302 horsepower and 329 lb.-ft. of torque, with better fuel economy and increased refinement over previous engines
- The only V-8 in its class

- Capable of operating on E85 ethanol fuel, making the Dodge Dakota equipped with this engine a Flexible Fuel Vehicle (FFV)
- Best-in-class towing capability up to 7,050 pounds
- Standard 3.7L Magnum® V-6 engine produces 210 horsepower and 235 lb.-ft. of torque

Lifestyle-enabling Versatility

- Dakota continues to offer best-in-class room (30 cubic feet of interior space in Extended Cab models and 37.1 cubic feet for Crew Cab), and class-exclusive available Full Swing rear access doors (open nearly 170 degrees) on the Extended Cab
- Clever under-seat storage system in the Dakota Crew Cab – a first for Dodge Dakota – includes the unique Crate 'N Go™ collapsible and removable cargo management system that enables gear to be organized and taken anywhere
- Additional storage options are provided throughout the interior including:
- Storage bin above the glove box
- Center console incorporating cup holders with modular inserts with a pull-out bin specifically designed to hold electronics such as an MP3 player (which may be plugged into Dakota's audio systems) or cell phone (disconnect phone available)
- Available built-in utility rails make cargo box tie-downs infinitely adjustable, and the dual-position tailgate may be secured in a mid-position, which provides support for extra-wide or extra-long cargo
- Largest and longest standard cargo bed in its class: 6-foot 6-inches in the Extended Cab

MODEL LINEUP

2009 Dodge Dakota ST

Standard Features

- 3.7-liter Magnum® V-6 engine with six-speed manual transmission
- 3.21 rear axle ratio
- Transfer case (four-wheel-drive models)
- Front disc and rear drum brakes with rear-wheel anti-lock braking system (ABS)
- Tinted windows
- Four-pin trailer towing connection
- Halogen manual headlamps
- Dual-position tailgate
- Black painted rear bumper
- 16-inch styled steel wheels
- P245/70R16 on/off-road tires
- Chrome grille
- Air conditioning
- Tilt Steering
- Interior map lamps
- Power accessory delay
- Sliding sun visor
- AM/FM stereo with single CD player and four speakers
- Cloth bucket seats

Optional Equipment

- Four-speed automatic transmission
- Dual rear seats
- Safety Group (four-wheel ABS, side air bags)

2009 Dodge Dakota Big Horn/Lone Star

Standard Features

In addition to standard features on the Dodge Dakota ST, the Dakota Big Horn/Lone Star adds/replaces the following:

- Four speed automatic transmission with 3.7L engine
- 17-inch machine-faced aluminum wheels

- Big Horn/Lone Star badge
- Accent Grille
- Black headlamp bezels with accent rings
- Cruise control
- Power windows, locks and mirrors
- Floor mats
- Floor console
- Dual rear seats
- Rear exterior cargo lamps
- Fog lamps
- Body-color front and rear bumpers
- Crate N Go TM Rear-seat collapsible and removable storage (crew cab models)

Optional Equipment

In addition to optional features on the Dodge Dakota ST, the Dakota Big Horn/Lone Star adds/replaces the following:

- Bucket seats with Stain Repel Seat Fabric, power and heat
- Full Swing rear doors on Extended Cab
- 4.7-liter V-8 engine with five-speed automatic transmission
- Heated premium-cloth power bucket seats
- Bench seats
- Anti-spin differential
- Sliding rear window or rear-window defrost
- SIRIUS Satellite Radio
- Chromed tubular side steps
- 18-inch aluminum wheels
- Sound Group (premium audio system, AM/FM stereo with six-disc CD player and MP3 capability, remote audio controls, remote start, Sentry Key® engine immobilizer, leather-wrapped steering wheel)
- Utility Group (Trailer Tow Package of Class IV receiver, 7-pin wiring harness and 7-pin to 4-pin adapter; cargo utility rails; under rail box bedliner)
- Convenience Group (Full Swing rear doors on Extended Cab, SIRIUS Satellite Radio)
- Safety Group

2009 Dodge Dakota TRX4

Standard Features

In addition to standard features on the Dodge Dakota Big Horn/Lone Star, the Dakota TRX4 adds/replaces the following:

- Molded-in-color fender flares and bodyside moldings
- Tow hooks
- 16-inch wheels
- P265/70R16 OWL Rugged Trail tires
- Fuel tank skid-plate shield
- Front suspension skid plate
- Pickup box utility rails
- Anti-spin differential
- Front and rear "slush" floor mats
- Leather-wrapped steering wheel
- Overhead console with compass/temperature/trip computer
- Sentry Key engine immobilizer
- Security alarm
- Illuminated entry
- Sliding rear window
- SIRIUS Satellite Radio
- Full Swing rear doors (Extended Cab)
- Unique premium bolstered cloth bucket seats
- TRX4 badge

- 3.92 rear axle ratio

Optional Equipment

In addition to optional features on the Dodge Dakota Big Horn/Lone Star, the Dakota TRX4 adds/replaces the following:

- Heated seats
- Navigation radio
- Under rail box bedliner
- Rear-window defrost
- Trailer Tow Package
- Sound Group
- Safety Group

2009 Dodge Dakota Laramie

Standard Features

In addition to standard features on the Dodge Dakota Big Horn/Lone Star, the Dakota Laramie adds/replaces the following:

- Chromed bodyside moldings
- Chromed grille and rear bumper
- Automatic headlamps
- 18-inch aluminum wheels
- P265/60R18 tires
- 3.92 rear axle ratio
- Bedliner under rail box
- Premium-cloth power bucket seats
- Premium audio system with AM/FM stereo with six-disc CD player and MP3 capability
- Remote audio controls
- Leather wrapped steering wheel
- Overhead Console with Compass, Temperature, Trip computer, and Universal Garage Door Opener
- Remote start

Optional Equipment

In addition to optional features on the Dodge Dakota Big Horn/Lone Star, the Dakota Laramie adds/replaces the following:

- Heated leather bucket seats
- Heated leather bench seats
- uconnect tunes with navigation radio
- Chromed tubular side steps
- Anti-slip differential
- Trailer Tow Package
- Safety Group
- 18-inch chrome-clad aluminum wheels
- P265/60R18 OWL on/off-road tires
- Rear-window defrost

SAFETY AND SECURITY FEATURES

Please refer to the Safety and Security Glossary for descriptions of the following features:

- Advanced Multi-stage Front Air Bags
- Anti-lock Braking System (ABS)
- BeltAlert
- Brake/Park Interlock
- Child-protection Rear Door Locks
- Constant Force Retractors (CFR)
- Crumple Zones

- Electronic Brake Force Distribution (EBD)
- Energy-absorbing Steering Column
- Enhanced Accident Response System (EARS)
- Head Restraints
- Height-adjustable Seat Belts
- HomeLink Universal Home Security System Transceiver
- Interior Head-impact Protection
- Knee Bolsters
- Lower Anchors and Tethers for CHildren (LATCH) Child Seat Anchor System
- Low-risk Deployment Front-passenger Air Bag
- Octagonal Front Frame-rail Tips
- Remote Keyless Entry
- Seat Belt Pretensioners
- Sentry Key® Engine Immobilizer
- Supplemental Side-curtain Air Bags
- Three-point Shoulder Belts
- Tire Pressure Monitoring (TPM)
- uconnect phone

COLOR AVAILABILITY

- Sunburst Orange
- Detonator Yellow
- Bright Silver Metallic
- Stone White Clear Coat
- Brilliant Black
- Deep Water Blue Pearl Coat
- Mineral Gray Metallic Clear Coat
- Austin Tan Pearl Coat
- Inferno Red

MANUFACTURING INFORMATION

- 2009 model year production start: July 2008
- Production location: Warren Truck Assembly Plant in Warren, Mich.
- 4.7-liter V-8 engine: Mack Avenue Engine Plant I in Detroit
- 3.7-liter Magnum® V-6 engine: Indianapolis Foundry in Indianapolis
- Four-speed automatic transmission: Indiana Transmission I in Indianapolis
- Five-speed automatic transmission: Indiana Transmission I in Indianapolis
- Six-speed manual transmission: Sao Bernardo do Campo Plant in Sao Paulo, Brazil

MARKET POSITION

The 2009 Dodge Dakota provides the optimal combination of bold styling, sporty capability and lifestyle-enabling versatility for young buyers with an active lifestyle – urban and rural.

The 2009 Dodge Dakota offers the optimal combination of a boldly styled exterior and interior and superior ride comfort. The 2009 Dodge Dakota delivers power with best-in-class torque and towing from the only V-8 in its class, plus the only available full-time four-wheel drive and the largest and longest standard cargo bed in its class.

The Dodge Dakota Extended Cab and Crew Cab models offer more interior room than all other mid-size pickups. The Dodge Dakota Crew Cab is the only four-door model in its class to offer six-passenger seating. Dakota Extended Cab offers Full Swing rear-hinged access doors that open nearly 170 degrees for easy entry and exit.

DEMOGRAPHICS

- Gender: 89 percent male (Extended Cab); 81 percent male (Crew Cab)
- Median Age: 25-45 years old
- Median Annual Household Income: \$56,000

- Household: 72 percent married (Extended Cab); 79 percent married (Crew Cab)

MARKET ADVANTAGES

- Available 4.7-liter V-8 engine with 302 horsepower and 329 lb.-ft. of torque offers better fuel economy and increased refinement over previous engines – and is the only V-8 option available in the segment
- Interior features greatest space of any mid-size truck, with 30 cubic feet of interior space in Extended Cab models; 37.1 cubic feet for Crew Cab
- The largest and longest standard cargo bed in its class: 6-foot 6-inches in the Extended Cab
- Best-in-class towing capability of up to 7,050 pounds
- Available features include built-in cargo-box utility rails, bench seats, unique Crate 'N Go™ collapsible and removable cargo management system that enables gear to be organized and taken anywhere

PRODUCT CHRONOLOGY

2008 MODEL YEAR

- Newly styled hood, grille, front fascia, rear spoiler, fenders and headlamps
- New 4.7-liter V-8 engine producing 302 horsepower (225 kW) and 329 lb.-ft. (446 N•m) of torque, E85 compatible; more power and torque with better fuel economy and more refinement than previous 4.7-liter V-8s
- Rear tailgate-mounted spoiler
- Protective surface on top of cargo box sides
- Built-in cargo-box utility rails
- Detonator Yellow and Sunburst Orange exterior colors
- Instrument panel, center console and accent finishes
- Collapsible and removable Crate 'N Go™ under-seat cargo management system in Crew Cab
- Additional storage bin above the glove box
- Center console incorporates cup holders with modular inserts and pull-out bin for electronics
- Heated bench seats

2007 MODEL YEAR

- Dual-position tailgate becomes standard equipment on all models and provides increased functionality for cargo bed hauling
- New exterior color offerings include Brilliant Black and Electric Blue
- YES Essentials® Stain resistant, odor resistant, anti-static seat fabric becomes standard cloth on SLT model and is packaged with ST model seat upgrade
- Power accessory delay ensures power function, including radio, continues for period of time after vehicle is keyed off
- 3.7-liter engine upgraded to include Electronic Throttle Control (ETC) and Exhaust Gas Recirculation (EGR) capability
- 4.7-liter engine becomes flexible-fuel capable (E85)
- Low current, tip-start ignition
- 18-inch chrome clad wheel becomes available on SLT and Laramie models
- 18-inch black painted aluminum wheels offered as stand-alone option
- Segment-first Remote Start becomes stand-alone option on SLT and Laramie models
- Three-blink lane change feature enables one-touch capability
- Passenger seat belt reminder
- 18-inch painted aluminum wheel is packaged with Sport Appearance Group, which is optional on SLT and Laramie models
- Chrome accent package available on SLT and Laramie models includes chromed tubular side steps, fuel filler door, hood deflector and exhaust tip

2006 MODEL YEAR

FOUR NEW 2006 OFFERINGS

- TRX—The TRX equipment package is available on Dakota ST, SLT and Laramie 4x2 models, in both Club and Quad Cab configurations. TRX-equipped vehicles include unique five-spoke/five-lug 16-inch aluminum wheels and aggressive Goodyear Wrangler off-road tires; tow hooks; limited-slip differential;

and TRX decal on cargo box.

- TRX4 Off-Road—The TRX4 off-road equipment package (available mid-2006 MY) is available on Dakota SLT and Laramie 4x4 models, in both Club and Quad Cab configurations. TRX4-equipped vehicles include painted shocks; unique, five-spoke/five-lug 16-inch aluminum wheels and aggressive BF Goodrich off-road tires; increased ride height of one inch; limited-slip differential; heavy-duty service package; skid plates; tow hooks; specific TRX4 Off-Road cargo box decal; and slush mats.
- R/T—The Limited Edition R/T model is based on the Dakota SLT equipped with the “2TD” customer preferred option (CPOS) package and is available in Club or Quad Cab configurations. Dakota R/T content includes 4.7-liter High Output (HO) engine; 17-inch five-spoke/five-lug chrome-clad aluminum wheels; hood scoop; Sport Appearance Package (in Red Flame or Black only); body-color grille surround; chrome exhaust tip; cargo box decals; R/T headrest; R/T instrument cluster graphic; and Satin Silver center stack/door remotes.
- Night Runner—The Limited Edition Night Runner model is based on the Dakota SLT and is available in Club or Quad Cab configurations. The Night Runner model is equipped with black chromed grille surround; fascia insert and 17-inch Black Chrome wheels; sport appearance package; cargo box decal; Night Runner headrests with logo stitching; Night Runner instrument cluster graphic; and black center stack/door remotes.
- Optional SoundBox™ from Alpine® (available on Club Cab only) offers powerful 508-watt sound system and 10-inch subwoofer within styled, translucent “box” positioned between rear seats
- Premium audio system—276 watts—optional Alpine speaker system
- Audio Auxiliary Jack enables playback of personal audio devices is standard equipment and added to standard audio system
- Center stack appliqué on SLT models changes from wood finish (Sycamore) to GH metal
- SIRIUS Satellite Radio digital audio system standard on Laramie models
- Variable Line Pressure (VLP) feature added to four-speed automatic transmission (mated with 3.7-liter V-6 engine), resulting in improved fuel economy and smoother shifts
- 16-inch styled steel wheel replaces 16-inch full-face wheel
- 16-inch cast-aluminum wheel available as option
- P265/65R17 (17-inch) On/Off Road tire replaces P275/60R17 all-season tire on 4x2 models
- Rear access doors on Club Cab configured to open nearly 180-degrees—a first-in-segment application
- Optional sun roof systems offered on Quad Cab models
- New exterior color offerings are Inferno Red Crystal Pearl and Light Khaki

2005 MODEL YEAR

- Optional 4.7-liter High Output V-8 engine brings 260 horsepower
- Six-speed manual transmission
- Quieter air induction system
- Coil-over-shock-absorber independent front suspension
- Stronger, more durable hydroformed frame
- Outstanding brake system stopping distance, fade resistance and pedal feel with new disc/drum brake system that weighs 15 pounds (6.8 kg) less than four-wheel disc brakes of comparable performance
- Chrome-clad 17-inch wheels—optional on SLT and Laramie
- Restyled body
- Rear access doors on Club Cab
- Automatic headlamps standard equipment on Laramie
- Roll-formed ultra-high-strength steel windshield header
- Ditch weld seam (where the roof meets the aperture) provides a finished appearance without a molding
- Freshened interior
- Cloth and leather bucket seats available with carbon fiber heating elements
- Rear-door map pockets in Club Cab and Quad Cab rear-door trim panels
- Optional integral six-disc CD changer capable of playing MP3 discs
- Powerful audio system—276 watts—optional Infinity® speaker system
- Optional Satellite Digital Audio radio system
- Optional UConnect® Hands-free Communication System
- Controller Area Network (CAN) protocol intra-vehicle communications network

- Multi-stage driver and front-passenger air bags with weight-based Occupant Classification System (OCS) for controlling front-passenger air bag deployment
- Available side-curtain air bags for front and rear seats
- Shoulder belts in all rear seating positions, Club Cab and Quad Cab (shoulder belt in center rear seating position of Quad Cab)
- Head restraints in rear outboard seating positions that comply with proposed regulation
- Taller front head restraints that comply with proposed regulation
- Optional integrated remote keyless entry transmitter and ignition key
- Optional long-range remote keyless entry transmitter

2004 MODEL YEAR

- 3.7-liter V-6 engine replaces 3.9-liter V-6 engine
- New 42RLE four-speed automatic transmission available
- Front bucket seats become standard on Quad Cab
- Stampede Package continues on Sport Regular and Club Cab 4x2 models

2003 MODEL YEAR

- Mid-model year intro Stampede
- New 5-45RFE five-speed automatic transmission with 4.7-liter engine provides a second overdrive ratio—optional on Sport, Sport Plus, SLT and SLT Plus models
- 2.5-liter engine is discontinued
- Four-wheel disc brakes with rear-wheel anti-lock (RWAL) are standard on four-wheel-drive models and two-wheel-drive models
- 16-inch x 7-inch cast-aluminum wheels are standard on all models except R/T
- Four-gauge cluster standard on base and SXT models
- Next-generation controller (4.7-liter engine only)
- New six-disc in-dash CD changer radio is optional
- Lower Anchors and Tethers for CHildren (LATCH) child seat anchor system added
- Interior upper head impact protection—Front driver and passenger; meets 2003 federal standard
- Onboard refueling vapor recovery system added to all Club Cab models
- Natural vacuum leak detection pump added (4.7-liter engine only)

2002 MODEL YEAR

- New SXT model with Regular and Club Cab bodies
- Sport Plus and SLT Plus models replace corresponding décor packages, mid-year
- Fixed GVWR ratings provide increased payloads on most models
- Larger – P235/75R15 tires – standard on two-wheel drive Quad Cab
- Rear-wheel Anti-Lock (RWAL) brake system includes Electronic Brake Apportioning (EBA) for increased rear brake lining life
- Door structure revised for dynamic side-impact protection
- Brake-shift interlock (automatic transmission only)

2001 MODEL YEAR

- NV233HD and NV244HD electrically shifted four-wheel drive transfer cases
- Sentry Key® engine immobilizer added to optional security alarm
- All-new interior – instrument panel, instrument cluster, floor consoles and trim panels

2000 MODEL YEAR

- Quad Cab (November 1999 introduction)
- Next-generation 4.7-liter Magnum® V-8 engine
- Multi-speed 45RFE automatic transmission
- Rack-and-pinion steering on four-wheel-drive models
- Early compliance with 2003 model-year head impact safety standard
- Child seat tether anchors in cab back panel

1999 MODEL YEAR

- NV1500 five-speed manual transmission used with 2.5-liter I-4 engine

1998 MODEL YEAR

- R/T Group with 5.9-liter Magnum V-8 engine (250 hp and 345 lb.-ft. torque) (April 1998 introduction)
- Next-generation driver and front-passenger air bags (running change)(a)
- Passenger air bag on/off switch (running change)(b)

1997 MODEL YEAR

- All-new body and chassis
- Passenger air bag

1994 MODEL YEAR

- Driver air bag

1993 MODEL YEAR

- Four-wheel anti-lock brakes available

1991 MODEL YEAR

- Club Cab available with four-wheel drive

1990 MODEL YEAR

- V-8 engine introduced
- Club Cab body introduced (two-wheel drive and 6.5-ft. box only)

1987 MODEL YEAR

- Four-wheel-drive model initial introduction

1986 MODEL YEAR

- Rear-wheel-drive model initial introduction spring 1986 as a 1987 model

(a) Certified to federal regulations that allow less forceful air bags. Always use seat belts. Remember, a back seat is the safest place for children.

(b) Important, always remove key. Rearward-facing child seats can be used in the front seat only with the passenger air bag turned off.

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