EpicVIN Identifies Car Models to Avoid in 2025 Due to Reliability Concerns

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North Miami Beach, Florida Jan 29, 2025 (<u>Issuewire.com</u>) - EpicVIN, a leading provider of vehicle history reports, has released new research highlighting car models that consumers should approach with caution in 2025. The analysis is based on extensive data, including repair frequency, reliability concerns, and depreciation trends.

Purchasing a vehicle is a significant investment, and selecting the wrong model can lead to costly repairs and reduced resale value. <u>EpicVIN</u>'s latest findings identify several models that have raised concerns due to mechanical issues, hybrid system failures, and manufacturing defects.

Car Models with Notable Reliability Issues

Ford F-150 Hybrid

While the Ford F-150 Hybrid was introduced as an eco-friendly alternative, EpicVIN's data suggests that it has encountered a high number of reliability concerns.

- **EpicVIN Data:** Hybrid-related repairs on the F-150 Hybrid occurred 25% more frequently than in comparable trucks. Common issues include transmission failures, hybrid battery malfunctions, and electronic system glitches.
- Expert Insight: "The traditional F-150 has a strong track record, but the hybrid version has yet to prove its reliability," stated Alex Black, CMO of EpicVIN. "We recommend buyers consider conventional powertrains until these issues are addressed."

Rivian R1T

The Rivian R1T is an exciting electric truck, but its new technology has led to concerns regarding long-term dependability.

- **EpicVIN Data:** Owners have reported issues with the drive system, body hardware, and climate control. The warranty claim rate for body hardware is 30% above the segment average.
- **Expert Insight:** "While Rivian's innovation is impressive, many of its systems remain untested, potentially leading to more time in the repair shop," Black noted.

Chrysler Pacifica Hybrid

Families have long favored the Chrysler Pacifica for its spacious design, but the hybrid version has encountered persistent reliability problems.

- **EpicVIN Data:** Hybrid system failures in the Pacifica occur 37% more frequently than in competing minivans. Repair costs average \$2,500 per incident.
- **Expert Insight:** "For families seeking reliability, non-hybrid minivans such as the Toyota Sienna may offer a safer option," said Black.

Tesla Model 3 (2022 Used Model)

Tesla remains a leader in automotive technology, but the 2022 Model 3 has presented some challenges for used car buyers.

• EpicVIN Data: Repair costs for this model are 41% above average due to manufacturing issues

stemming from supply chain disruptions. Parts shortages have led to extended repair wait times.

• Expert Insight: "The Model 3 is a technological leader, but these issues make it a less reliable choice for those prioritizing dependability," Black commented.

Jeep Grand Cherokee (2021 Used Model)

The Jeep Grand Cherokee is a well-known off-road vehicle, but the 2021 model year has faced multiple recalls and reliability concerns.

- **EpicVIN Data:** Electrical system failures have contributed to a high recall rate and costly repairs. Resale value for this model is lower than competitors like the Toyota 4Runner.
- Expert Insight: "For off-road enthusiasts, alternatives with stronger reliability records should be considered." advised Black.

Volkswagen Taos (2022 Model)

The Volkswagen Taos is an affordable option, but frequent mechanical failures have raised concerns among consumers.

- **EpicVIN Data:** Transmission failures, brake issues, and electrical malfunctions have resulted in a recall rate 20% above the industry average.
- Expert Insight: "An attractive price tag does not outweigh the inconvenience of repeated breakdowns." said Black.

Vehicles Expected to Experience High Depreciation

EpicVIN's research also highlights vehicles likely to lose value quickly due to mechanical issues and high repair costs.

- 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe: Engine problems have led to significant depreciation.
- 2020 Mercedes-Benz GLE: Electrical system failures and multiple recalls have reduced consumer demand.

"Understanding a vehicle's potential resale value is just as important as assessing its reliability," Black emphasized.

About EpicVIN

<u>EpicVIN</u> provides trusted vehicle history reports, offering consumers insights into past accidents, title records, and potential reliability concerns. By leveraging industry-leading data, EpicVIN helps car buyers make informed decisions and avoid costly mistakes.

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