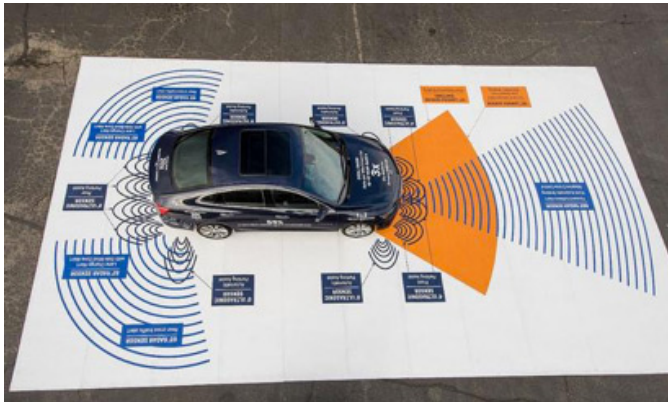


NHTSA and IIHS say they've tracked a definite increase in the prevalence of automatic emergency braking systems in 2017's cars versus past-model vehicles. The automakers' commitment to automatic emergency braking will prevent 28,000 crashes and 12,000 injuries total between 2022 and 2025, according to IIHS estimates.



Four of the 20 largest automakers committed to increasing automatic emergency braking made the feature standard on more than half of their 2017 model-year vehicles. Another five automakers that did not make the feature standard said 30% of their vehicles produced for 2017 were outfitted with the systems. IIHS have published a [detailed workup](#) on the various automakers' fitment rates. Highlights:

Of the 7 companies that standardise automatic emergency braking, Tesla and Mercedes were in the № 1 and 2 slots, with nearly 10% of their vehicles carrying the feature. Audi and BMW were the leaders of the 13 companies that offer the feature as an option.

68% of Volvo vehicles carried the system in 2017, though Toyota's 56% translated into the largest number of vehicles—1.4 million out of their 2.5 million total, according to the agencies. General Motors followed Toyota by volume, producing 551,000 vehicles with the technology out of 2.8 million, making up 20%. Then came Honda, third in volume with 492,000 of 1.6 million vehicles, representing 30% of their 2017 fleet.

Seven automakers including Fiat Chrysler, Hyundai, Kia, Mitsubishi, and Ford, produced less than 10% of their 2017 vehicles with the technology.

The shift in automatic emergency brake installation stems from a 2015 agreement facilitated by IIHS, NHTSA and the U.S. DOT, among 10 automakers to standardise automatic emergency braking on virtually all light-duty cars and trucks with a gross vehicle weight of 8,500 pounds or less. Another 10 automakers signed onto the commitment the following March to meet the 1 September 2022 goal.