

MotorHome's Towing Guide

Comprehensive listings simplify selection of the
right car, truck or sport-utility vehicle

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Ten years ago, towing an extra set of wheels behind a motorhome was an oddity. Today, it has become so popular that traveling the highways without seeing a towed car, truck or sport-utility vehicle is rare. The advantages are numerous. The convenience of mobility wherever you camp is probably the No. 1 reason that towing has become commonplace.

Towing gives motorhome travel a downhome feeling. The fact that you don't need to move your coach to take sightseeing, shopping and side trips allows the motorhome to be set up in a permanent fashion with the leveling jacks down and the awning out. Personally, I tend to stay in one location longer, become more famil-

iar with the area and, in general, get more enjoyment out of my motorhome when I have a towed vehicle along.

Another convenience towing offers is that you are always traveling with a back-up vehicle in the event of mechanical difficulty with the motorhome. I like to travel the little-known byways where service facilities are few and far between. The extra vehicle, tagging along behind my coach, gives me confidence. I've seen some fantastic places that I may not have attempted to visit had I not been towing a car. No other type of RVing offers this "security-blanket" feature.

There are a few disadvantages, however. One, of course, is cost. As you know, motorized vehicles are ex-

pensive to own, operate and insure; towing a vehicle adds to these costs. If you already own a vehicle suitable for towing, the initial investment is significantly less.

Many RVers choose the motorhome mode of travel because they don't like to tow a trailer. Connecting a vehicle to the back of the coach does create a trailerlike situation. Most motorhomes will pull small vehicles easily, without sway or stability problems, but the driver must be alert. If you are considering a towed vehicle, make sure the total weight of the motorhome, the vehicle and the necessary hardware, such as a dolly, trailer or tow bar, does not exceed the motorhome manufacturer's gross combination weight rating (gcwr).

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MANUAL TRANSMISSION CARS

Manufacturer	OK to Tow per Mfg.	Curb Weight	Speed Limitation	Distance Limitation	Tracking Ability	Other Limitations	Base Retail Price
ACURA							
Integra	no*	2350 lbs			good		\$12,060
Legend	no*	3139 lbs			good		22,600
*Owner's manual states "no," but Acuras are suitable for towing (see text).							
BUICK							
Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.							
CHEVROLET							
Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.							
CHRYSLER							
Conquest	yes	3031 lbs	55 mph	no	good		18,974
Fifth Avenue	n/a	3770 lbs					21,395
Imperial	no	3570 lbs					24,995
LeBaron	yes	2850 lbs	55 mph	no	good		12,495
New Yorker	n/a	3228 lbs					18,795
DAIHATSU							
Charade	n/a	1855 lbs	n/a	n/a	good		6,197
DODGE							
Colt Vista 4 x 4	yes	2955 lbs	55 mph	no	good		12,828
Daytona	yes	2800 lbs	55 mph	no	good		9,795
Dynasty	no						7,595
Lancer	yes	2712 lbs	55 mph	no	good		11,125
Omni	yes	2296 lbs	55 mph	no	good		6,995
Shadow	yes	2642 lbs	55 mph	no	good		8,735
EAGLE							
Premier	n/a	2900 lbs					15,350
Summit	n/a	2271 lbs					8,895
Talon	n/a	2650 lbs					12,995
FORD/MERCURY							
Crown Victoria/Grand Marquis	no	3821 lbs					17,106
Escort	yes	2242 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent		7,423
Festiva	no	1713 lbs					6,470
Mustang	no	2759 lbs					9,638
Probe	no	2715 lbs					11,574
Taurus/Sable	yes	2956 lbs	55 mph	no	good		12,594
Tempo/Topaz	yes	2529 lbs	55 mph	no	good		9,505
Tempo 4 x 4	yes	2787 lbs	55 mph	no	good		11,330
Thunderbird/Cougar	no	3581 lbs					15,076



Using the Tables

The tables will help you determine which vehicle might be right for you to tow. Column 1 lists the make and model of the car or truck.

Column 2 gives the manufacturer's towing recommendation: yes, no or n/a (not available). If the owner's manual does not specifically address whether or not towing is OK, a "no" is listed. If the manufacturer approves of towing, a "yes" is listed. If the manufacturer makes no mention of towing, "n/a" is shown. Be aware that owner's manuals may go through several printings in any given model year. It's up to you to carefully check the manual before purchasing a car or truck.

Column 3 lists curb weight, which

is the weight of a vehicle with few or no added options and no fuel in the tank. Adding 200 to 500 pounds to the curb weight, you should be fairly close to the actual vehicle weight.

Column 4 lists recommended speed limit. If the manufacturer approves of towing, a speed limit is usually specified. In no case have we seen any manufacturer recommend a speed over 55 mph.

Column 5 shows distance limitation, if there is any specified by the manufacturer.

Column 6 shows tracking ability. The ratings—excellent, good, fair and poor—are the result of data received from tow-equipment manufacturers, our experience towing various vehicles and readers' input.

If the column is blank, there was not enough information to evaluate that particular model.

Column 7 is reserved for any special comments or information that may be important. For instance, the word *heavy* may mean that, in our opinion, the vehicle is too heavy for towing behind some motorhomes—those with limited gcwr (see accompanying story). If a motorhome is fairly heavy and the addition of a particular towed vehicle will likely exceed the motorhome manufacturer's gcwr, we rate it heavy. The heavier cars are usually suitable for towing behind high-line diesel-pusher coaches.

The tables are broken into two categories: vehicles with manual trans-

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GEO							
Metro	no	1620 lbs					\$ 5,995
Prizm	yes	2376 lbs	55 mph	no	good		10,125
Storm	no	2282 lbs					10,390
HONDA							
Accord	no*	2513 lbs.			good		11,230
Civic	no*	2088 lbs			good		6,385
Civic Wagon 4 × 4	no*	2515 lbs			good		12,210
CRX	no*	2048 lbs			good		8,895
Prelude	no*	2571 lbs			good		13,945
*Owner's manual states "no," but Hondas are suitable for towing (see text).							
HYUNDAI							
Excel	yes	2178 lbs	55 mph	no	good		5,724
Sonata	yes	2684 lbs	55 mph	no	good		9,695
ISUZU							
I-Mark	no	2011 lbs	35 mph	50 mi			7,779
Impulse	no	2890 lbs	35 mph	50 mi			14,329
MAZDA							
Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.							
MITSUBISHI							
Eclipse	n/a	2524 lbs					10,397
Galant	yes	2601 lbs	55 mph	no	good		10,971
Mirage	yes	2271 lbs	55 mph	no	good		8,859
Precis	yes	2162 lbs	55 mph	no	good		5,724
Sigma	yes	3075 lbs	55 mph	no	good		17,069
Starion	yes	3036 lbs	55 mph	no	good		19,859
NISSAN							
Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.							
OLDSMOBILE							
Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.							
PLYMOUTH							
Acclaim	n/a	2800 lbs					10,385
Colt	yes	2205 lbs	55 mph	no	good		6,851
Colt 4 × 4	yes	2568 lbs	55 mph	no	good		11,145
Horizon	yes	2296 lbs	55 mph	no	good		6,995
Laser	n/a	2410 lbs					10,855
Reliant	yes	2450 lbs	55 mph	no	good		7,595
Sundance	yes	2544 lbs	55 mph	no	good		8,395

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missions and those with automatic transmissions. You will notice that there are a limited number of vehicles with automatics that have been designated towable by the manufacturers. The reason is that most automatic transmissions are designed with no provision for internal lubrication unless the engine is on.

When an automatic-equipped car is towed, the driveshaft rotates; or, in front-wheel drives, the axle halfshafts rotate. This, in turn, causes the internal transmission parts to rotate without the benefit of lubrication. Oil cannot reach rotating parts because it lies in a sump below the level of the rotating gears; it can be supplied only by the engine-driven oil pump in the front of the transmission.

In a standard transmission, gears that are submerged in oil sling lubri-

cant over the turning internal parts, providing adequate lubrication. Still, some manufacturers are reluctant to offer towing approval, thus listing their vehicles as inappropriate for towing, which is reflected in the tables. If you prefer an automatic transmission, your choice is limited unless you install a driveshaft- or halfshaft-disconnect unit, or use a dolly or trailer.

Honda

Honda is an exception. Although the factory does not specifically state in the owner's manual that towing is approved, Hondas with automatics have been towed successfully by large numbers of motorhome owners for many years. Honda service reps have long stated openly that towing their automatic-transmission cars is OK, but they recently placed a re-

striction on later models. On 1989 and later Acuras and Hondas, a simple but important procedure is required: Place the transmission in neutral after positioning the selector in drive while the engine is running.

According to Honda, the automatic transmissions were modified so that they cannot be shifted rapidly from reverse to drive; any automatic transmission can be damaged by rapid shifting. Honda says that the modification leaves a portion of the automatic transmission in reverse when it is shifted from reverse to neutral without going to drive first. While this false-neutral position cannot be detected during normal driving, it can cause transmission damage when towing on all four wheels in the false-neutral position. Honda will not honor warranty claims for transmission failure if

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SUBARU							
<i>Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.</i>							
SUZUKI							
Swift GLX	yes	1741 lbs	55 mph	no	n/a		\$ 7,495
Swift GTi	yes	1768 lbs	55 mph	no	n/a		8,895
TOYOTA							
Camry	yes	2690 lbs	55 mph	no	good		11,488
Celica	yes	2545 lbs	55 mph	no	fair		11,808
Celica 4 × 4	yes	3197 lbs	55 mph	no	fair		20,878
Corolla	yes	2372 lbs	55 mph	no	good since '88		8,548
Corolla 4 × 4	yes	2606 lbs	55 mph	no	good		10,608
Cressida	n/a	3417 lbs	55 mph	no	n/a		21,498
MR2	yes	2350 lbs	55 mph	no	poor		13,798
Supra	yes	3459 lbs	55 mph	no	good		22,360
Tercel	yes	2025 lbs	55 mph	no	good		6,328
VOLKSWAGEN							
Cabriolet	yes	2274 lbs	55 mph	no	good		15,195
Fox	n/a	2203 lbs					6,890
Golf	yes	2246 lbs	55 mph	no	good		8,465
GTi	yes	2267 lbs	55 mph	no	good		13,650
Jetta	yes	2367 lbs	55 mph	no	good		9,690
YUGO							
GV	n/a	1832 lbs	n/a	n/a	poor		4,349
GVC	n/a	1956 lbs	n/a	n/a	poor		n/a
GVX	n/a	1876 lbs	n/a	n/a	poor		5,699

MANUAL TRANSMISSION TRUCKS/VANS/SPORT-UTILITY VEHICLES

CHEVY/GMC							
<i>Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.</i>							
DODGE							
Caravan (Also Plymouth Voyager)	yes	2858 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent		11,995
D-Series pickups	yes	3657 lbs	55 mph	no	good	heavy	10,250
Raider	yes	2700 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent		12,995
Ram 50	yes	2750 lbs	55 mph	no	good		7,664
Ramcharger	yes	4238 lbs	55 mph	no	good	heavy	14,275



this procedure is not followed.

Pre-1989 Acuras and Hondas can be towed on all four wheels by simply placing the transmission lever in neutral, but we still recommend starting the engine and running through the gears every 200 miles, regardless of the model year.

Ford

The Ford Escort is lightweight and exhibits excellent tracking characteristics, making it very attractive to motorhome owners. If you'd like a bit more luxury than the Escort provides, the Ford Taurus and Mercury Sable are capable of being towed if equipped with the manual gearbox.

A large number of the vehicles that Ford approves for towing are four-wheel-drive (4WD)—the most versatile of the tag-alongs. Exploration of backroads and out-of-the-way lo-

cations that are inaccessible to two-wheel-drive (2WD) trucks and passenger cars are the primary reasons for selecting 4WDs, as well as the convenience of towing automatic vehicles without making modifications to the drivetrain. The 4WD Ranger pickup, for instance, when fitted with a shell, makes an excellent transportation vehicle with go-anywhere traction and loads of storage space.

Vehicles with 4WD are equipped with second transmissions known as transfer cases. This special transmission can be placed in neutral via its own shift lever, effectively stopping rotation to the main transmission. Therefore, certain 4WDs with either automatic or manual transmissions can be towed.

Ford's Bronco II and its 1990-model successor, the Explorer, make dan-

dy towed vehicles, but they must be equipped with manual-shift transfer cases in order to be pulled on four wheels. Bronco IIs with the optional electric-shift transfer box (push-button control) cannot be towed without a driveshaft disconnect.

Although it has been generally acknowledged that the Bronco II with automatic transmission has been suitable for towing, an apparent error in the owner's manual has created some confusion. The owner's manual clearly states that there are no towing restrictions as long as the manual transfer case is placed in neutral. The 1989 version, however, limited speed to 50 mph, making the sport-utility vehicle less desirable for towing. Manuals that were printed in September 1988 (for the 1989 model year) and labeled "First Printing" are incorrect, according to

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FORD							
Aerostar	no	3120 lbs					\$11,838
Bronco 4 × 4 (See text)	yes	4532 lbs	55 mph	no	good	heavy	16,929
Bronco II 4 × 2	no	3278 lbs					13,068
Bronco II 4 × 4 (See text)	yes	3371 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent		14,718
Explorer 4 × 2	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a			
Explorer 4 × 4	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a			
F-150 4 × 2	no	3713 lbs	55 mph				10,067
F-150 4 × 4 (See text)	yes	4278 lbs	55 mph	no			12,399
Ranger 4 × 2	no	3050 lbs					8,100
Ranger 4 × 4 (See text)	yes	3230 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent	heavy	11,440
GEO							
Tracker	yes	n/a	55 mph	200 mi	excellent		10,695
ISUZU							
Amigo	no	2985 lbs	35 mph	50 mi	excellent		8,999
Trooper	no	3600 lbs	35 mph	50 mi	good	heavy	13,149
Pickups	no	2925 lbs	35 mph	50 mi	excellent		7,649
JEEP							
Cherokee	yes	3400 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent		13,220
Comanche	yes	3175 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent		7,995
Grand Wagoneer	yes	3950 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent		27,795
Wagoneer	yes	3500 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent	heavy	24,695
Wrangler	yes	3200 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent	heavy	9,393
MAZDA							
B-Series trucks	no	3060 lbs	55 mph	no	good		7,799
MPV	n/a	3228 lbs	n/a	n/a	good		11,199
MITSUBISHI							
Mighty Max	yes	2735 lbs	no	no	good		7,689
Montero	yes	3115 lbs	no	no	good		13,949
Van/Wagon	yes	3285 lbs	no	no	good		11,229
NISSAN							
<i>Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.</i>							
SUZUKI							
Samurai	yes	2094 lbs	55 mph	200 mi	excellent		8,854
Sidekick	yes	2304 lbs	55 mph	200 mi	excellent		8,995

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Ford. The correct speed should be 55 mph.

General Motors

General Motors will not authorize towing of any of its car or truck models. If you are thinking of purchasing a GM car or truck for towing, you'll need to use a dolly or a trailer or install a driveshaft- or halfshaft-disconnect kit. Although motorhome owners have successfully towed GMs, such as the S-10 Blazer, for many miles without trouble, GM will not authorize warranty work on driveline components if the car or truck has been towed with four wheels on the ground. GM cites transmission lubrication as its primary concern.

Geo

Two models sold by GM dealers under the Geo nameplate are towable: the Prizm and the Tracker. The Geo Prizm is actually a Toyota Corolla and is suitable for towing without modifications. The Tracker, also known as the Suzuki Sidekick, has excellent towing manners.

Chrysler Motors

The Chrysler line (Chrysler, Dodge, Plymouth) includes a wide selection of approved towed cars. Many are low-price, lightweight vehicles that are easy on the pocketbook as well as the motorhome. The Dodge Caravan and Plymouth Voyager minivans are especially easy to tow, although a little on the heavy side. These pop-

ular minivans offer excellent tracking capability and plenty of storage space for passengers and gear. Owners must keep a close eye on gross combination weight (see accompanying article) when towing these vehicles.

If you prefer the traction of a 4WD but would rather have a car-type vehicle, the Colt Vista wagon is suitable. Popular pickups and sport-utilities from Chrysler include the Dodge Ram 50 in 2WD or 4WD versions and the Raider.

Jeep

The entire Jeep line is towable in both automatic and manual transmission models. From the Wrangler (the descendant of the military Jeep) to the Grand Wagoneer, all are rated

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TOYOTA							
4Runner	yes	3635 lbs	55 mph	no	good		\$15,458
Land Cruiser	yes	4480 lbs	55 mph	no	good	heavy	20,898
Pickups	yes	2845 lbs	55 mph	no	good		7,998
Vans	yes	3205 lbs	55 mph	no	good		11,058
VOLKSWAGEN							
Vanagon	no	3550 lbs					17,035

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Legend	no*	3139 lbs			good		22,600

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BUICK							
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CHEVROLET							
Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.							
CHRYSLER							
Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.							
DAIHATSU							
Charade	n/a	1855 lbs	n/a	n/a	good		6,197
DODGE							
Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.							
EAGLE							
Premier	n/a	2900 lbs					15,350
Summit	n/a	2271 lbs					8,895
Talon	n/a	2650 lbs					12,995
FORD/MERCURY							
Crown Victoria/Grand Marquis	no	3821 lbs					17,106
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Tempo/Topaz	no	2529 lbs					9,505
Tempo 4x4	no	2787 lbs					11,330
Thunderbird/Cougar	no	3581 lbs					15,076
Tracer	no	2205 lbs					8,672

as excellent tracking vehicles. If there is a disadvantage, it's probably weight. None of the Jeeps, except the Wrangler and the Comanche pickup, are especially lightweight.

Hyundai

Hyundai Motor America produces the popular Excel and more luxurious Sonata; both manual transmission models are towable. These cars are low priced, lightweight and track well. Automatic models can be fitted with a halfshaft disconnect, such as the unit from Remco.

Isuzu

The popular Isuzu Trooper sport-utility is not recommended by the manufacturer as a tow-behind vehi-

cle. Troopers are a bit heavy to tow, and their tracking is merely OK. Other models of Isuzu tow well. Reports from tow-bar manufacturers state that the pickups and new Amigo track beautifully.

Mazda

Mazda Motors builds some fine cars and trucks that seem to have great towing potential, but they have not yet been officially approved for towing.

Mitsubishi

The Mitsubishi line represents a wide diversity, and all cars and trucks with manual transmissions are factory approved for towing. The multipurpose 4WD Montero is the

same as the Dodge Raider and tracks nicely behind motorhomes. The four-door model may be a little heavy, so owners are advised to calculate gcwr carefully.

The Mighty Max minitruck line includes 2WD and 4WD pickups, both suitable for towing. Van fans can pull the Mitsubishi Van/Wagon that offers seating for seven and loads of storage space, but weight may be a concern.

Nissan

The Nissan line is very popular and diverse, but alas, it's not approved by the factory for towing. If towing a Nissan car or truck, you'll have to use a dolly, a trailer or a driveline disconnect to get around

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HONDA							
Accord	no*	2513 lbs			good		\$11,230
Civic	no*	2088 lbs			good		6,385
Civic Wagon 4 x 4	no*	2515 lbs			good		12,210
CRX	no*	2048 lbs			good		8,895
Prelude	no*	2571 lbs			good		13,945
<i>*Owner's manual states "no," but Hondas are suitable for towing (see text).</i>							
HYUNDAI							
<i>Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.</i>							
ISUZU							
<i>Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.</i>							
JEEP							
Cherokee 4 x 4	yes	3400 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent		13,220
Comanche 4 x 4	yes	3175 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent		7,995
Grand Wagoneer	yes	3950 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent	heavy	27,795
Wagoneer	yes	3500 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent	heavy	24,695
MAZDA							
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MITSUBISHI							
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OLDSMOBILE							
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PONTIAC							
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VOLKSWAGEN							
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warranty problems, even for vehicles with manual transmissions.

Subaru

Like Nissan, Subaru does not approve towing. There are, however, many Subarus towed behind motorhomes, although some owners of older models have been plagued by poor tracking. Readers tell us that the Justy model is the best tracker. It's lightweight (about 1750 pounds) and is priced at less than \$6000 for the basic model. It is available in a 4WD configuration, too. However, owners who tow Subarus are gambling with warranty coverage.

Suzuki

Suzuki is supportive of recreation-

al towing. In the automotive line, the Suzuki Swift is both lightweight and inexpensive. If 4WDs are your fancy, the Samurai and new Sidekick are available. Both are rated as excellent trackers. Suzuki requires owners of the 4WD models to stop after towing 200 miles and operate the engine for a few minutes in order to circulate oil throughout the transmission.

Toyota

Toyota offers the widest line of cars and trucks with the corporate blessing on towing. All standard transmission models (2WD and 4WD) are approved. Toyota's pickup trucks track the best. Apparently the only car in the line that has tracking problems is the pre-1988 Corolla. The

front-suspension geometry has been changed in new Corollas, improving trackability.

Volkswagen

The VW line with standard transmission is approved for towing. The sporty Cabriolet convertible is especially attractive. The Jetta is available in two- and four-door versions, and the GTi and Golf models are sporty, fast, fun to drive and suitable for towing. The ever-popular Vanagon wagon, however, is not approved for towing.

Yugo

Yugo states that its vehicles are not designed to be towed on all four wheels. □

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CHEVY/GMC							
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DODGE							
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FORD							
Aerostar	no	3120 lbs					\$11,838
Bronco 4 × 4 (See text)	yes	4532 lbs	55 mph	no	good	heavy	16,929
Bronco II 4 × 2	no	3278 lbs					13,068
Bronco II 4 × 4 (See text)	yes	3371 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent		14,718
Explorer 4 × 2	yes	n/a		no	n/a		n/a
Explorer 4 × 4 (See text)	yes	n/a	55 mph	no	n/a		n/a
F-150 4 × 2	no	3713 lbs					10,067
F-150 4 × 4 (See text)	yes	4278 lbs	55 mph	no		heavy	12,399
Ranger 4 × 2	no	3050 lbs					8,100
Ranger 4 × 4 (See text)	yes	3230 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent		11,440

GEO							
Tracker	no	n/a					10,695

ISUZU							
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JEEP							
Cherokee 4 × 4	yes	3400 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent		13,220
Comanche 4 × 4	yes	3175 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent		7,995
Grand Wagoneer	yes	3950 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent	heavy	27,795
Wagoneer	yes	3500 lbs	55 mph	no	excellent	heavy	24,695

MAZDA							
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Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.

MITSUBISHI							
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Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.

NISSAN							
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Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.

SUZUKI							
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Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.

TOYOTA							
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Manufacturer does not recommend towing for any models.

VOLKSWAGEN							
Vanagon	no	3550 lbs					17,035