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Seven generations of the sedan have been introduced to date, each offering V6 engines and the front-engine, front-wheel-drive layout. The first five generations of the ES were built on the Toyota Camry platform, with the sixth and seventh generations more closely related to the Avalon. Manual transmissions were offered until , a lower-displacement inline-four engine became an option in Asian markets in , and a gasoline-electric hybrid version was introduced in The ES was Lexus' only front-wheel drive vehicle until , when the related RX was introduced, and the sedan occupied the entry-level luxury car segment of the Lexus lineup in North America and other regions until the debut of the IS in The ES name stands for "Executive Sedan". Introduced in , the first generation ES was one of two vehicles in Lexus' debut lineup, the other being the flagship LS The word "Windom" is a combination of "win" and the suffix "dom" expresses a state of perpetual victory. The sixth generation ES debuted in the first half of as a model, and features increased cabin dimensions due to a longer wheelbase which is shared with the full-size XX40 series Avalon. Lexus has positioned the ES in the comfort luxury segment, with an emphasis on interior amenities, quietness, and ride quality, [6] in contrast with more firm-riding sport sedans. In order to avoid introducing the nameplate with only one model, the LS , Lexus quickly developed the ES to debut alongside their flagship sedan. The smaller representative of the initial two-sedan Lexus lineup was designated the ES , and powered by the Camry's 2. Design patents were filed on 17 November , at the Japan Patent Office under the patent number and registered on 8 August On the exterior, the ES shared the same general body style and overall dimensions as its Toyota counterparts, but had a more prominent grille, bigger tail lights, chrome trim, frameless windows, and distinct wheel design similar to its LS brethren. Inside the cabin, the ES featured a six-speaker Pioneer sound system, genuine wood trim, one-touch power windows, and leather seats. A four-speed automatic or five-speed manual transmission was offered. Safety features included a driver's SRS airbag and anti-lock brakes. In typical specification, the ES further included inch alloy wheels, a power driver's seat, power moonroof, and CD player. The ES was marketed as the "luxury sedan of sports sedans," and carried a U. During the first month of release, the ES logged 1, units in sales. The original LS had been envisioned as a standalone model, but Lexus dealerships had asked for an additional vehicle to accompany its launch. Due to its similarities to the Camry, some viewed the ES as a placeholder product of badge engineering and the vehicle ultimately did not sell as well as its larger counterpart. Initial perception of the ES led some to believe all the development time and research spent creating the larger LS showed that they overlooked one of the reasons the LS was developed, which was the Acura Legend , so it seems that the appearance of the LS was shrunk to fit the ES so as to compete with the Legend. Production totaled 19, units in and 17, units in , most for the automatic transmission model. Production commenced in June at Tsutsumi, [13] with the first ES rolling off the production line on 30 August Production ended on 5 July Because of its relatively brief production run, the ES is a rare model on US roads today. In , with creation of the Lexus brand, an entry level front-wheel Lexus model was ordered for development alongside the LS and other offerings. In late , a final design was chosen and design patents filed utilizing a clay design model on February 3, In September , for the model year, Lexus announced the second generation ES almost one year after the introduction of the second generation Acura Legend , but before Infiniti finally decided to add a similarly classed sedan, the J The second generation ES shared its design with the new generation Toyota Windom XV10 , which was officially announced in Japan on 30 September , [5] introduced at the October Tokyo Motor Show , and exclusive to Toyota Japan dealership sales channel called Toyota Corolla Store as the top level luxury sedan. Completely redesigned and now sharing design features with the XV10 series Toyota Windom and styling cues with the LS , [22] the model was renamed the ES to reflect the half-liter increase in engine displacement to 3. On the front fascia, the ES gained projector headlamps in a curved housing and a three-slat grille with the Lexus emblem moved above on the hood. The side profile featured an invisible B-pillar and frameless-window doors. Inside the cabin, the second generation ES featured California walnut trim on the center console, leather seats, an eight-speaker premium sound system, and keyless entry. The added wheelbase length and overall width made for increased legroom and shoulder space than the previous model. As with its predecessor, anti-lock brakes were standard. Production assembly of the ES commenced on 9 September , and the sedan went on sale later that year in the U. The sedan was not released in Europe, where similar Toyota models were offered. The second generation ES was a major sales success, becoming Lexus' best-selling vehicle overall. In its first full year of sales, the ES logged 39, units, [11] and throughout the following years of its production run, sales reached near or above that figure. Minor updates were introduced in for the model year August production , including: a revised grille insert now with a three-slot grille, replacing the previous four-slot version , new headlights and fog lights, outside air temp readout, and CFC-free air conditioning. This change in engine resulted in a

change in model code for the car now known as the MCV10 series. In September for the model year, Lexus offered an ES " Coach Edition ", featuring select Coach leather trim in the interior and a set of Coach luggage. From to , chief engineer Kosaku oversaw development of the XV20 Lexus variant alongside the XV20 series Camry programme under project code T. The third generation ES was also slightly longer overall length increased by For the first time, an Adaptive Variable Suspension , capable of adjusting individual wheels' dampers according to road conditions within 0. Inside the cabin, the ES featured a new electroluminescent Lexus Optitron instrument panel, walnut trim, and leather seats. Other luxury standard features included heated outside mirrors and an automatic climate control system. A power moonroof , Nakamichi premium sound system with in-glove-box mounted CD changer, and heated seats were options. The U. The third generation ES expanded upon the success of the previous generation model, reaching a record-setting 58, units in sales in its first year, [30] and recording sales in the 35,â€"50, range throughout its production run. In for the model year, the ES received a few updates, mainly consisting of a revised supplemental restraint system next generation , standard front row side-torso airbags, and force limiting seat belt pre-tensioners that were designed to tighten the front seat passengers into their seats upon impact. Transponder chips were now also used in the keys as to provide added protection from theft. The Lexus IS was introduced to European markets in and became the luxury marque's entry-level model; by this time the ES was no longer sold in most European markets. There was a widespread engine oil gelling issue which could block oil from parts of the engine. After a US class action lawsuit, Toyota notified US owners that engines would be overhauled or replaced for free if damaged by the buildup of gelled oil. The ES received a mild facelift in for the model year that consisted of new, clear tail lights and turn signals, a revised front end with a new grill, headlights, and lower bumper with clear fog lights and larger alloy wheels. Inside, the interior received an electrochromatic mirror, more wood trim and slight revisions to the audio system. Xenon High-Intensity Discharge headlights with auto-leveling were now optional. From through to model years , a limited " Coach Edition" was offered, and in for , a "Platinum Edition" package was offered, including power moonroof, unique interior trim, and custom alloy wheels. As development on the XV30 series Camry began in , development of the MCV30 commenced under chief engineer Kosaku Yamada, with styling being done through under design chief Makoto Oshima. In December , a concept design by Kengo Matsumoto was approved and frozen for production in June The presence of the IS in the Lexus lineup enabled the company to give the new ES a more upscale image and luxury feel by excising the sporting pretensions of the previous ES models. Production occurred between July and September at the Tsutsumi plant in Toyota, Aichi , [13] supplemented until December with the Miyata plant at Miyawaka, Fukuoka. The cabin was fitted with California Walnut wood trim on the front dashboard, center console, and doors as well as exterior puddle lamps, floor-well lighting, chrome door handles, an electric rear sunblind, and rear-view mirrors that would automatically tilt downward in reverse gear. Available options, including a power rear sunshade, rain-sensing windshield wipers, a DVD-based navigation system, and a Mark Levinson premium stereo system, were similar to features on the flagship LS sedan. Other features included a drive-by-wire electronic throttle , a five-speed automatic transmission , anti-lock brakes with electronic brake-force distribution and brake assist as well as electronic stability and traction control systems. ES sales sold 71, units its first year, [43] making it the best-selling luxury car in the United States. The original owner's manual included a photo of the automobile with the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center in the background. However, the Twin Towers were destroyed in the September 11 attacks , which occurred less than a month after the model's JDM launch. Within a month of the attacks, Toyota issued a revised owner's manual, this time with the Twin Towers digitally erased. During , for the model year, the American market received a revised 3. Lexus released the limited ES "SportDesign" special edition in The model featured the Adaptive Variable Suspension, inch Y-spoke alloy wheels, Mark Levinson audio, interior upgrades, and special dark exterior colors. In for the model year, the ES received a facelift with new front and rear fascias, clear taillights, projector headlights, and a redesigned grille. Inside, features included standard audio and display steering wheel-mounted controls, power adjustable pedals, heated and ventilated front seats, Bird's Eye Maple trim and optional integrated satellite radio. Lexus also offered an exclusive ES "Black Diamond Edition" in , featuring black wood trim, iridescent Black Diamond paint, and a set of Tumi luggage. The line initially consisted of the ES sedan, which as per previous models, featured front-wheel-drive and a V6 engine â€"now displacing 3. The line was refreshed in , during which more features were added, and a four-cylinder variant, the ES , was introduced for Asian markets. The fifth generation ES remained Lexus' top-selling sedan model in the North American and Asian markets, anchoring the marque's entry-level model lineup. Like previous generations, the fifth generation ES was geared towards the comfort luxury segment,

favoring a soft ride over sporty performance. The exterior design featured an all-new body in the style of Lexus' new design philosophy, L-finesse. The new design was sleeker than its predecessor, with a streamlined cabin and character lines across the hood, fenders, and rear pillars. The Lexus emblem returned to the grille for the first time since the first generation, and was placed at the center of a five-bar horizontal grille. The drag coefficient was C d 0. The ES interior featured walnut wood accents, leather seats, dual zone climate control with air filter, an MP3 player auxiliary input, power tilt and telescoping steering wheel, and eight standard airbags. A keyless entry and ignition system, Lexus SmartAccess , which does not require the electronic remote to be taken out of the driver's pocket, was standard. The instrument panel used Optitron gauges and LED lighting. Some commentators have complained that so much power to the front wheels has produced uncomfortable torque steer in both the new ES and Camry. The ES arrived at U. The base price in the U. A pre-collision system PCS , which incorporates a grille-mounted sensor and retracts seatbelts and triggers full braking power, was optional, and came with the distance-aware Dynamic Radar Cruise Control system. Toyota recalled and replaced 55, optional all-weather rubber floor mats from the Camry and ES in September , [56] citing the risk of unsecured mats jamming the accelerator pedal. In August , the NHTSA probed the ES following 40 acceleration control complaints, eight crashes and 12 injuries, with floor mats implicated in most cases. In , the model year ES underwent a mid-cycle facelift. A slightly revised grille resembled that of the new HS h , and the lower bumper and taillights were changed. Other exterior changes included chrome-trimmed side moulding, turn signal indicators on the side mirrors, and new split 5-spoke alloy wheels. Memory seating, rain-sensing windshield wipers, and rear seat-mounted side-impact airbags were now standard. The steering wheel controls now had hard touch buttons as opposed to the previous soft ones. Bluetooth streaming audio and a USB port that included iPod integration was now built into the stereo. In , the revised ES line gained a brake override feature which ignored accelerator input when the brake pedal was depressed, which was installed on new builds from January The ES received a 2. All models had a backup camera and 10 airbags. This car is equipped with a 2. This generation is export-only, not sold in Japan where it is manufactured, [83] but has been offered in right-hand drive since late , being sold in Australia, [84] Brunei, [85] [86] South Africa, [87] New Zealand, [citation needed] Singapore, [88] Hong Kong, [89] Malaysia, [90] and Indonesia. This plant also supplies the hybrid ES to all global markets, as the Kentucky plant builds the ES only and does not build the ES h. The ES was scheduled to be available in Japanese dealerships in the fourth quarter of , making the debut of ES in the Japanese domestic market since the discontinuation of the XVbased Windom as well as the introduction of Lexus brand to Japan 13 years prior. Initial deliveries of ES h started on 24 October in Japan, where it replaced the smaller HS h and served as a front-wheel-drive counterpart of GS. 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The Lexus brand is marketed in more than 70 countries and territories worldwide [3] and is Japan's largest-selling make of premium cars. It has ranked among the 10 largest Japanese global brands in market value. Created at around the same time as Japanese rivals Honda and Nissan created their Acura and Infiniti luxury divisions respectively, Lexus originated from a corporate project to develop a new premium sedan, code-named F1, which began in and culminated in the launch of the Lexus LS in Lexus did not exist as a brand in its home market until , and all vehicles marketed internationally as Lexus from to were released in Japan under the Toyota marque and an equivalent model name. In , a hybrid version of the RX crossover debuted and additional hybrid models later joined the division's lineup. Lexus launched its own F marque performance division in with the debut of the IS F sport sedan, followed by the LFA supercar in Assembly of the first Lexus built outside the country, the Ontario -produced RX , began in Following a corporate reorganization from to , Lexus began operating its own design , engineering and manufacturing centers. Since the s, Lexus has increased sales outside its largest market, the United States. The division inaugurated dealerships in the Japanese domestic market in , becoming the first Japanese premium car marque to launch in its country of origin. The Lexus brand was created around the same time as Japanese rivals Nissan and Honda developed their Infiniti and Acura premium brands. The Japanese government imposed voluntary export restraints for the U. In , Toyota chairman Eiji Toyoda issued a challenge to build the world's best car. The largest sedan Toyota built at the time was the limited-production, s-vintage Toyota Century , a domestic, hand-built limousine, and V8-powered model, [11] followed by the inline-six-engined Toyota Crown premium sedan. Japanese manufacturers exported more expensive models in the s due to voluntary export restraints negotiated by the Japanese government and U. Toyota researchers visited the U. Theories of the etymology of the Lexus name have suggested it is the combination of the words "luxury" and "elegance," [23] and that it is an acronym for "luxury exports to the U. The original

Lexus slogan, developed after Team One representatives visited Lexus designers in Japan and noted an obsessive attention to detail, became " The Relentless Pursuit of Perfection. According to Toyota, the automaker made some refinements so the logo would be easier to manufacture, rendering it using a mathematical formula. The LS was praised for its quietness, well-appointed and ergonomic interior, engine performance, build quality , aerodynamics , fuel economy and value. In December , Lexus initiated a voluntary recall of all 8, LS s based upon two customer complaints over defective wiring and an overheated brake light. By the end of , a total of 16, LS and ES sedans were sold in the four months following the U. Power and Associates ' studies on initial vehicle quality, customer satisfaction and sales satisfaction for the first time. In , Lexus debuted its first sport utility vehicle, the LX , [56] followed by the third generation ES sedan, and the second generation GS and GS sedans in The marque's plans for developing an SUV model had accelerated during the U. Lexus also recorded its 1 millionth vehicle sold in the U. In , the first convertible was introduced, as well as the SC and a redesigned ES In , Lexus completed an organizational separation from parent company Toyota, [66] with dedicated design, engineering, training, and manufacturing centers working exclusively for the division. Lexus' arrival in the Japanese market in July marked the first introduction of a Japanese premium car marque in the domestic market. Through the mids, Lexus experienced sales successes in South Korea and Taiwan, becoming the top-selling import make in both markets in ; [82] [83] the marque also sold well in the Middle East, where it ranked first or second among rivals in multiple countries, [84] and in Australia, where Lexus reached third in luxury car sales in The LS h L subsequently went on sale as the most expensive sedan ever produced in Japan. In , amidst the lates recession and a weakened world car market, global sales fell 16 percent to ,, [] [] [] with declines in markets such as the U. In , Lexus underwent a gradual sales recovery in North America and Asia as the marque focused on adding hybrids and new model derivatives. In late and early , Lexus began sales of the CT h , a compact four-door hybrid hatchback designed for Europe, in multiple markets. Cumulative sales results for indicated a 14 percent sales drop in the U. As a result of Toyota's organizational changes, Lexus senior managers report directly to the chairman for the first time in the marque's history. In January , the marque began sales of the fourth generation GS line, including GS and GS h variants, as well as a lower-displacement GS model for select markets. In April , Lexus unveiled the five-seater NX crossover. The vehicle features a very first for a Lexus vehicle: a turbocharger. Its nomenclature is denoted as the t. In August , Toyota announced it would be cutting its Lexus spare parts prices in China by up to 35 percent. The company admitted the move was in response to a probe foreshadowed earlier in the month by China's National Development and Reform Commission of Lexus spare parts policies, as part of an industry-wide investigation into what the Chinese regulator considers exorbitantly high prices being charged by automakers for spare parts and after-sales servicing. In March , Lexus announced that it will be producing a new flagship vehicle: the two-door LC The vehicle will be produced for late in a V8 version putting out horsepower. The LC h, a V6 hybrid variant, could potentially become available in late or early In April , Lexus announced that a rebadged limousine version of the third-generation Alphard would be sold as the Lexus LM. It was announced in April that Lexus would finally enter the market in Mexico in with some of the vehicles in their lineup. Lexus International, headed by managing officer Tokuo Fukuichi, coordinates the worldwide operations of Toyota's luxury division. In the U. Lexus division, located in Plano, Texas. Lexus sales operations vary in structure by region. In many markets, such as the U. Global sales of Lexus vehicles reached an all-time high in , with a total of , Sales decreased in subsequent years due to the effects of the recession and the Japanese tsunami of Following this, sales recovered and reached a new high of , in In , the Lexus brand set a new global sales record after selling , vehicles. Global sales of Lexus vehicles increased by 12 percent in to reach another annual sales record with , units sold worldwide. Global cumulative sales of Lexus brand hybrid electric cars reached the , mark in November Lexus has not sold as well in Europe, where it suffers from smaller brand recognition, image, and a less-developed dealership network. The RX midsized crossover is Lexus's best selling model in the United States, while the ES mid-sized car is the most popular sedan in the line-up. Financial data of Lexus operations are not disclosed publicly. The 2-door coupe range consists of the RC and the LC. Lexus produces its highest-performance models under its F marque division. Lexus production models are named alphanumerically using two-letter designations followed by three digits. The first letter indicates relative status in the Lexus model range ranking , [] and the second letter refers to car body style or type [] e. LS for 'luxury sedan'. The three digits indicate engine displacement in liters multiplied by a factor of one hundred e. The same letter may be used differently depending on the model; 'S' can refer to 'sedan' [] or 'sport' [78] e. On F marque models, the two-letter designation and the letter 'F' are used with no numbers or hyphens e.

Lexus design has traditionally placed an emphasis on targeting specific vehicle development standards. Vehicle cabins have incorporated electroluminescent Optitron gauges, [] SmartAccess, a smart key entry and startup system, [] and multimedia features. Beginning with the RX and HS models, the Remote Touch system, featuring a computer mouse -like controller with haptic feedback , was introduced; [] [] other models have featured touchscreen controls through the model year as a navigation screen interface. In , Lexus became among the first premium car marques to equip models with premium audio systems, in partnership with stereo firm Nakamichi. In , Lexus incorporated the first production eight-speed automatic transmission in an automobile with the LS , [] and the gearbox was later adapted for the GS and IS F models. Continuously variable transmissions , regenerative brakes , and electric motors have been used on all Lexus hybrid models. Safety features on Lexus models range from stability and handling programs Vehicle Stability Control and Vehicle Dynamics Integrated Management [] to backup cameras, swivel headlights, and sonar warning systems. This safety feature has attracted criticism because passengers cannot use certain functions when the vehicle is in motion. Production models in development have included convertibles, crossovers, and dedicated hybrids. Lexus officials have also discussed standard production model usage of varying platforms. Lexus introduced a new design language known as "L-finesse" in the mids with its LF series concepts and the Lexus GS. The first Lexus vehicles were manufactured in Toyota's Tahara plant , a highly sophisticated, computerized manufacturing plant in Japan. In the s decade , Consumer Reports named Lexus among the top five most reliable brands in its Annual Car Reliability Surveys of over one million vehicles across the U. Lexus has become known for efforts to provide an upscale image, particularly with service provided after the sale. The waiting areas in service departments are replete with amenities, ranging from refreshment bars to indoor putting greens. Since , Lexus has scored consecutive top ratings in the Auto Express [] [] [] and 76,respondent Top Gear customer satisfaction surveys in the UK. Lexus first entered the motorsport arena in when its racing unit, Team Lexus, [] fielded two GS race vehicles in the Motorola Cup North American Street Stock Championship touring car series. In its inaugural season, Team Lexus achieved its first victory with its sixth race at Road Atlanta. They then improved to 5th in with the 14 achieving 5th and the 15 getting 10th in the Team's Championship. As of the result of Lime Rock Park, Lexus are second in the Manufacturer's Championship and the 12 is third with the 14 in 5th despite that being the winning car. From its inception, Lexus has been advertised to luxury consumers using specific marketing strategies , with a consistent motif used for the marque's advertisements. Beginning in , television ads were narrated by actor James Sloyan the voice of "Mr. Lexus" until , [33] [] and accompanied by vehicles that performed unusual stunts onscreen. Industry observers have attributed Lexus' early marketing successes to higher levels of perceived quality and lower prices than competitors, which have enabled the marque to attract customers upgrading from mass-market cars. Automotive analysts have also noted Lexus' relative newcomer status as a marketing challenge for the brand, [] although some have debated the requirement of a long history. Lexus' marketing efforts have extended to sporting and charity event sponsorships, including the U. Open , U. Women's Open , U. Senior Open , and U. Amateur tournaments since Since , Lexus has run the video website L Studio. 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There's also a fuel-efficient RX h hybrid version and longer RX L that uses the extra space to fit a third row of seating both of those are reviewed separately. The RX does have strong competition, however. The Acura MDX is its closest rival, offering similar features and performance plus a roomy third-row seat. On the whole, the RX is a smart pick if you're looking for a comfortable luxury crossover SUV. Both are powered by a 3. Front-wheel drive is standard, and all-wheel drive is optional on both models. Base The base RX comes with a decent list of standard features. Those include:. The features I gained over the Volvo are all little things that appeal to me. For example, the electrically adjustable steering wheel as part of the memory seating position. The fact that the seat adjusts to my driving position when starting and retracts when stopping are features the Volvo lacked. The sometimes maligned trackpad is extremely easy to use, just adding to the excellent user interface overall. The ride is so smooth that I deliberately drove over a small section of a local road that is just a mess of badly done patchwork. The Volvo felt like a stagecoach over this small section, the RX is like a pillow top mattress over the same section. My RX included the luxury package, heads up display, heated and cooled seats, triple beam LED headlights, panoramic moonroof and leather upholstery. Overall it is well put together package with more than enough luxury features for what I wanted without the price of the German cars. This is the fourth Lexus over many years, I always seem to come back the brand. Excellent vehicle and really comfortable. I love everything except for the mpg. I love my RX! Sharp looking car, smooth and quiet, but the mpg is terrible!!! Write a review. See all 11 reviews. Halfway through its current life cycle, the Lexus RX is getting a mild refresh in the form of some styling, tech and equipment updates. The standard RX model all the way up to the Lexus RX h hybrid and its three-row variant, the RX hL, also receive suspension and chassis updates to improve ride quality and steering responsiveness. The optional The Lexus RX. This is the new RX , the F sport in this particular case. It's got some new details. We're going to check out what this mid-cycle refresh is all about and see what's new. There are small changes to the front bumper and headlights, as well as the rear bumper, exhaust pipes, but the profile of this car stays the same. It was only redesigned four years ago, so they're not going to mess with success. And that's it on the outside. Sure, you get some new wheels, but if you see the and model next to each other in a parking lot, you might have a hard time telling them apart. That's because the side profile is pretty much the same. But everything up front looks a little bit sleeker, more grown up, which is strange to say about a luxury vehicle. I think it's a big improvement for this Lexus. Under the hood, you get the same choice of engines as you did last year. There's a 3. That puts out about horsepower. Both of those engines get the same horsepower and fuel

economy ratings as the previous model year. Under the car and the suspension bits things have changed a little bit more. The F-sport is actually now broken into two different packages. You can get the appearance package or the performance package. And the performance package includes an adaptive suspension sourced from the Lexus LC. They're big sporty grand coupe. On the safety front, there's new equipment too. Great when you add it to the already full list of safety features available on our models. Along with the tech updates and the things on the outside, there's some styling changes on the inside in the form of a couple of new interior colors like this red, as well as a couple of different options for paint. A first for this car. As well as this That's going to be a big difference and might just change the game for the RX. So should you buy a new Lexus RX? Well, depends on what you want out of your luxury crossover. This one's well rounded. It's got lots of great standard and optional equipment, but it's not the sportiest in the bunch, despite the F-sport name. Other vehicles like the Audi Q5 might be better at that. And if you're looking at the long version, the RX L, you might look at something with more space in the back like an Audi Q7 or an XC 90 from Volvo. Those are going to be less cramped in the third row. But if you want a well-rounded luxury crossover, take a look at the RX. We think it's worth your time. For all the details on the RX , the F-sport, the 3-row version, and all of the RX models, go to edmunds. Take a look at our First Looks. Also for videos like this, be sure to subscribe to our YouTube channel, and check us out on Facebook and Instagram. For a bit less money, you get a third row of seating Lexus does offer the three-row RX L, but its third row is pretty cramped and roughly the same level of equipment. The MDX is also a little more responsive to drive. We don't particularly care for Acura's infotainment system, but the same can be said of Lexus' system. The RDX is a class size smaller and less expensive , but it's worth checking out. Its turbocharged four-cylinder offers similar performance and even better fuel economy than the RX 's V6. In favor of the RX is its additional cargo space and slightly nicer interior. Looking for a hometown alternative to the RX ? Cadillac's XT5 could be worth a look. We like its roomy interior and pleasing performance. But compared to the RX it comes up a little short on refinement. The Cadillac isn't as quiet or refined as we expect from a luxury SUV, and small windows make it somewhat difficult to see out of. Consumer ratings and reviews are also available for the Lexus RX and all its trim types. Overall, Edmunds users rate the RX 4. Edmunds consumer reviews allow users to sift through aggregated consumer reviews to understand what other drivers are saying about any vehicle in our database. 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Ask most people and they'll probably tell you that car buying is the way to go. And from a financial perspective, it's true, provided you're willing to make higher monthly payments, pay off the loan in full and keep the car for a few years. Leasing, on the other hand, can be a less expensive option on a month-to-month basis. It's also good if you're someone who likes to drive a new car every three years or so. Popular searches. My notifications My Account. Home Lexus Lexus RX Select year - Upcoming - New - New. Other years. Pros Attractive cabin with top-quality materials and construction Super smooth ride Wide

cargo bay makes it easy to load items Cons Touchpad controller is distracting to use Real-world fuel economy lags behind estimates What's new Blind-spot monitoring and rear cross-traffic alert are standard for Wireless smartphone charging now available Part of the fourth RX generation introduced for You can't go wrong with either the base RX or the sportier-looking F Sport version. We do suggest adding the navigation package for its larger infotainment screen plus the sweet-sounding Mark Levinson upgraded audio system. Read more. Find savings on the RX for sale near you. ZIP Code. See Pricing. See all RX lease offers. Sponsored cars related to the RX Most helpful consumer reviews 5 out of 5 stars, Always go back to a Lexus. Check your price quote. Great Good Fair High Sample dealer price:. Get started Already have a dealer quote? Lexus Enform Safety Connect This system can automatically alert emergency services in the event of a crash or distress. 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Safety scores, fuel economy, cargo capacity and feature availability should all be factors in determining whether the RX is a good car for you. Check back soon for the official Edmunds Rating from our expert testing team Learn more. What do people think of the Lexus RX ? Edmunds Expert Reviews Edmunds experts have compiled a robust series of ratings and reviews for the Lexus RX and all model years in our database. Our Review Process This review was written by a member of Edmunds' editorial team of expert car reviewers. What's a good price for a New Lexus RX ? Which Lexus RX s are available in my area? Can't find a new Lexus RX s you want in your area? Consider a broader search. Why trust Edmunds? Should I lease or buy a Lexus RX ? Check out Lexus lease specials. Sign Up. Get price. For , the IS returns mostly unchanged. It gains a new Blackline edition that adds a number of dark exterior and interior styling elements. Otherwise, this IS generation has been around since the model year. It's meant to be the sporty small luxury sedan in Lexus' lineup, at least compared to the ES But the reality is that the two have pretty similar performance. In general, the IS 's dated design keeps it from being a truly compelling pick for a small luxury sedan. It's only available with a 3. It can be paired with rear-wheel drive and an eight-speed automatic transmission or all-wheel drive and a six-speed automatic. Standard features highlights include LED headlights, a sunroof, simulated leather upholstery NuLuxe , a 7-inch color display, and an eight-speaker sound system. Standard driver assistance technology includes lane keeping assist, adaptive cruise control, and a forward collision warning system with automatic braking. The IS offers a handful of option packages. You can boost the car's luxury and convenience features with the Comfort and Premium packages. The Navigation package replaces the standard infotainment control dial with Lexus' Remote Touch joystick-type controller, a bigger screen and a navigation system. A speaker Mark Levinson audio system can be added to this package. For those who want to dial up the sporting factor, there's the F Sport package with revised styling, different wheels, a sport-tuned suspension, a limited-slip rear differential RWD only , and a few other upgrades. For strict aesthetics, you can opt for the new Blackline package that adds dark exterior and interior trim elements. This was my dream car in college back in when this body style first came out.. I knew my next vehicle had to be a IS It has tons of power on the express way, I love how the seats hold you.. Write a review. See all 1 reviews. The Audi A4 is our top-rated pick in its class, with little to fault. It's far more engaging to drive than the Lexus IS, with sharp steering and sporty handling. It doesn't pack as much power, but most drivers should find the A4 adequate enough not to spend more for the sportier S4. The trade-off is that the A4's stiffer ride quality isn't as smooth as the IS 's. The recently redesigned Volvo S60 is a joy to drive, and its Scandinavian design sets it apart from other sedans from Germany and Japan. We give it high marks for interior quality, Volvo's focus on safety, comfortable seats and strong overall performance. The infotainment system may take some getting used to, and the optional sport suspension could be too stiff for some, but otherwise the S60 is a commendable alternative. BMW essentially invented the luxury sport sedan class with the 3 Series, but the latest redesign wasn't enough to claim the top spot. Compared to the IS , the 3 Series has a higher ceiling for performance and offers more available technology features. But you'll probably end up paying more for the 3 Series. Consumer ratings and reviews are also available for the Lexus IS and all

its trim types. Overall, Edmunds users rate the IS 5. Edmunds consumer reviews allow users to sift through aggregated consumer reviews to understand what other drivers are saying about any vehicle in our database. Detailed rating breakdowns including performance, comfort, value, interior, exterior design, build quality, and reliability are available as well to provide shoppers with a comprehensive understanding of why customers like the IS Edmunds experts have compiled a robust series of ratings and reviews for the Lexus IS and all model years in our database. Our rich content includes expert reviews and recommendations for the IS featuring deep dives into trim levels and features, performance, mpg, safety, interior, and driving. Edmunds also offers expert ratings, road test and performance data, long-term road tests, first-drive reviews, video reviews and more. This review was written by a member of Edmunds' editorial team of expert car reviewers. 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Pros Smooth V6 power Advanced driver aids work well Cons Optional Remote Touch infotainment system is distracting to use No Apple CarPlay or Android Auto integration Handling capabilities don't create much driver excitement A tighter back seat than those of rivals What's new A new Blackline edition debuts with dark cosmetic treatments Part of the third Lexus IS generation introduced for This generation IS has been around since And for each new luxury sedan that comes out, the IS 's flaws become more apparent. It has middling fuel economy and, at least in F-Sport guise, an overly firm ride quality. The clunky infotainment interface is particularly grating when you consider how many rivals offer more user-friendly systems. At our test track, our test IS was able to accelerate from 0 to 60 mph in 6. That's OK but significantly slower than rival sedans with six-cylinder engines â€" a BMW Mi rips to 60 mph in just 4 seconds, for example. The IS 's power isn't always right at your disposal either since the eight-speed automatic can be slow to shift whether you're using automatic mode or the paddle shifters. The IS F Sport handles quick directional changes well, but longer sweeping corners reveal a lack of front tire grip. The steering is also noticeably vague. The braking performance is average. In our panic-stop test, we recorded a stop from 60 mph in feet. In routine use, the brakes are smooth and easy to use. We suspect the Lexus IS might be a bit more comfortable in standard form, but our F-Sport version came up a short in this area. The ride is stiff, with both small and large bumps easily making their way into the cabin. A sporty suspension and short tire sidewalls make this problem evident over all kinds of surfaces. The seats are decently comfortable for long drives and have sufficient bolstering to keep you in place during cornering. There were no squeaks or rattles from interior panels in our test car, but there was quite a bit of road noise especially at highway speeds. We do like the climate control system. It cools and heats the cabin well. Heating or cooling the front seats is quick and effective. While most of the cabin's controls are easy to spot and reach, the clunky controller for the infotainment screen puts a damper on the experience. As for interior space, the wide center console leaves little room to maneuver, and the steering wheel does not have much tilt-and-telescoping range. The armrests are nicely padded but positioned a little awkwardly, so some of our test drivers couldn't really take advantage of them. Headroom is limited in the rear, and the transmission tunnel makes the middle rear-seat spot uncomfortable. Forward visibility is excellent, but the sloping roofline forces passengers to dip inside, and the

thick rear roof pillars create blind spots that make it necessary to opt for the available blind-spot monitoring system. Lexus' infotainment controller is a dated system. Moving through the onboard menus is a clumsy endeavor that can pull your attention away from the road. Instead, owners can connect with Siri Eyes Free, or opt for Lexus Enform Remote and access certain vehicle functions through their smartphones. Voice controls are useful thanks to a well-laid-out menu of commands, but there isn't any use of natural language. Standard safety tech such as automatic emergency braking and adaptive cruise control work well, as do options including blind-spot monitoring, and rear-cross traffic alert. But overall this system needs a big update. Cargo space is on the small side for this class. Folding down the rear seatbacks creates a step above the trunk floor, which makes loading long or big items less convenient. The opening to the trunk is shaped in such a way that requires a bit more bending to load bags in. In-cabin storage for small personal items is limited, leaving you with few options for your stuff. For family duty, the IS has four hidden yet easily accessible LATCH anchors and three handy upper tethers to make installing a child's safety seat easy. But you'll have to duck a bit to install them since the rear roofline dips down a bit, and space for bulky rear-facing seats is lacking. On our mile mixed-driving evaluation route, our test car returned 23 mpg, which is also below what we'd expect and could indicate that matching the EPA's estimates could be a little difficult. As we've come to expect from Lexus, the IS 's interior is very well built with nice materials. You get a decent amount of features too. But the reality is that the competition is just better. For that money you could get a well-equipped Mercedes A-Class or a BMW 3 Series â€" both of which are more fuel-efficient and include more modern user interfaces. The IS F Sport falls behind class leaders when it comes to all-around fun. Poor driver engagement, vague steering, and a lack of front-end grip mean a less thrilling drive around curvy roads. The styling is distinctive, but Lexus' big front grille design continues to be an acquired taste. The IS is only available in a single trim level, which leaves you deciding what options to add. Since the IS represents the more powerful choice to the IS , there's a good chance that these shoppers are more performance-focused. For that reason, we suggest adding the F Sport package for sharper handling and sportier styling touches. Read more. Find savings on the IS for sale near you. ZIP Code. See Pricing. See all IS lease offers. Sponsored cars related to the IS Most helpful consumer reviews 5 out of 5 stars, A true class act. Dynamic Radar Cruise Control Helps drivers maintain a preset distance by adjusting the vehicle's speed in relation to the vehicle directly ahead. Intelligent High Beam Switches between high and low beams automatically by using cues from a camera that helps detect when other vehicles are present. Side Impact Test Good. Lexus IS vs. Audi A4 The Audi A4 is our top-rated pick in its class, with little to fault. People who viewed this also viewed 5 average Rating out of 3 reviews. The Edmunds experts tested the IS both on the road and at the track, giving it a 6. You probably care about Lexus IS fuel economy, so it's important to know that the IS gets an EPA-estimated 21 mpg to 23 mpg, depending on the configuration. What about cargo capacity? When you're thinking about carrying stuff in your new car, keep in mind that the IS has And then there's safety and reliability. Learn more. To determine whether the Lexus IS is reliable, read Edmunds' authentic consumer reviews, which come from real owners and reveal what it's like to live with the IS Look for specific complaints that keep popping up in the reviews, and be sure to compare the IS 's average consumer

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