

AMA Specifications—Passenger Car

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MANUFACTURER	BUICK MOTOR DIVISION GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION	CAR NAME	BUICK LESABRE-WILDCAT-ELECTRA 225-RIVIERA
MAILING ADDRESS	1051 E. HAMILTON AVENUE FLINT, MICHIGAN 48550	MODEL YEAR	1969
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NOTES:

1. The General Specifications herein are those in effect at date of compilation and are subject to change without notice by the manufacturer.
2. UNLESS OTHERWISE INDICATED:
 - a. Specifications apply to standard models without optional equipment. Significant deviations are noted.
 - b. Nominal design dimensions are used throughout these specifications.

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BODY - TYPES AND STYLE NAMES -

Body type, style names; use manufacturer's code for series & body style.

<u>SERIES</u>	<u>BODY STYLE</u>	<u>MODEL DESIGNATION</u>
LeSabre	2 Door Pillarless Coupe	45237
	4 Door Hardtop Sedan	45239
	4 Door Thin Pillar Sedan	45269
	2 Door Pillarless Coupe	45437
	4 Door Hardtop Sedan	45439
	2 Door Convertible Coupe	45467
	4 Door Thin Pillar Sedan	45469
Wildcat	2 Door Pillarless Coupe	46437
	4 Door Hardtop Sedan	46439
	4 Door Thin Pillar Sedan	46469
	2 Door Pillarless Coupe	46637
	4 Door Hardtop Sedan	46639
2 Door Convertible Coupe	46667	
Electra "225"	2 Door Pillarless Coupe	48257
	4 Door Hardtop Sedan	48239
	4 Door Thin Pillar Sedan	48269
	2 Door Pillarless Coupe	48457
	4 Door Hardtop Sedan	48439
	2 Door Convertible Coupe	48467
4 Door Thin Pillar Sedan	48469	
Riviera	2 Door Hardtop Coupe	49487

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All dimensions to ground are for comparative purposes only. Dimensions are to be shown for:

4-Dr. Sedan, 2-Dr. H.T., 4-Dr. H.T., Convertible and Station Wagon.

MODEL	SAE Ref. No.	LESABRE			
		45237	45239	45269	45467
WIDTH					
Track - Front	W101	63.0			
Track - Rear	W102	63.0			
Maximum overall car width	W103	80.0			
Body width at No. 2 pillar	W117	-----	79.2	-----	
LENGTH					
Body "O" to front of dash	L 30	0.5			
Wheelbase	L101	123.2			
Overall car length	L103	218.2			
Overhang - front	L104	39.0			
Overhang - rear	L105	56.1			
Body upper structure length	L123			110.2	
Body "O" line to C of rear wheel	L127	101.2			
Body "O" line to w/s cowl point	L130				
HEIGHT					
Passenger Distribution (front & rear)		2 - 2			
Trunk/Cargo load (lbs.)		200			
Overall height	H101	54.6	54.3	55.3	54.9
Cowl height	H114	39.1			
Deck height	H138	-----			
Rocker panel - front	To ground	8.1			
	From front wheel C	-----			
Rocker panel - rear	To ground	7.7			
	From rear wheel C	-----			
Windshield slope angle	H122	55.0			
GROUND CLEARANCE					
Bumper to ground - front	H102	11.9			
Bumper to ground - rear	H104	12.1			
Angle of approach	H106	20.3°			
Angle of departure	H107	13.8°			
Ramp breakover angle	H147	12.1			
Min. running clearance (Specify)	H156	5.4 (Exh. System)			

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4-Dr. Sedan, 2-Dr. H.T., 4-Dr. H.T., Convertible and Station Wagon.

MODEL	SAE Ref. No.	WILD CAT			
		46437	46439	46469	46667
WIDTH					
Track - Front	W101	63.5			
Track - Rear	W102	63.00			
Maximum overall car width	W103	80.3			
Body width at No. 2 pillar	W117	-----	79.2	-----	
LENGTH					
Body "O" to front of dash	L 30	0.5			
Wheelbase	L101	123.2			
Overall car length	L103	218.2			
Overhang - front	L104	39.0			
Overhang - rear	L105	56.1			
Body upper structure length	L123			110.2	
Body "O" line to C of rear wheel	L127	101.2			
Body "O" line to w/s cowl point	L130				
HEIGHT					
Passenger Distribution (front & rear)		2 - 2			
Trunk/Cargo load (lbs.)		200			
Overall height	H101	54.6	54.3	55.3	54.9
Cowl height	H114	39.1			
Deck height	H138	-----			
Rocker panel - front	To ground	8.1			
	From front wheel C	-----			
Rocker panel - rear	To ground	7.7			
	From rear wheel C	-----			
Windshield slope angle	H122	55.0			
GROUND CLEARANCE					
Bumper to ground - front	H102	11.9			
Bumper to ground - rear	H104	12.1			
Angle of approach	H106	20.3			
Angle of departure	H107	13.8			
Ramp breakover angle	H147	12.1			
Min. running clearance (Specify)	H156	5.4 (Exh. System)			

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4-Dr. Sedan, 2-Dr. H.T., 4-Dr. H.T., Convertible and Station Wagon.

MODEL	SAE Ref. No.	ELECTRA "225"			
		48257	48239	48269	48467
WIDTH					
Track - Front	W101	63.5			
Track - Rear	W102	63.00			
Maximum overall car width	W103	80.0			
Body width at No. 2 pillar	W117	-----	79.4	-----	
LENGTH					
Body "O" to front of dash	L 30				
Wheelbase	L101	126.2			
Overall car length	L103	224.8			
Overhang - front	L104	39.0			
Overhang - rear	L105	59.6			
Body upper structure length	L123				
Body "O" line to C of rear wheel	L127	104.2			
Body "O" line to w/s cowl point	L130				
HEIGHT					
Passenger Distribution (front & rear)		2 - 2			
Trunk/Cargo load (lbs.)		200			
Overall height	H101	54.9		55.8	54.9
Cowl height	H114	39.3			
Deck height	H138	27.2			
Rocker panel - front	To ground	8.3			
	From front wheel C	28.1			
Rocker panel - rear	To ground	7.8	7.9	7.9	7.8
	From rear wheel C	27.0			
Windshield slope angle	H122	55.0			
GROUND CLEARANCE					
Bumper to ground - front	H102	12.1			
Bumper to ground - rear	H104	12.0			
Angle of approach	H106	20.7			
Angle of departure	H107	13.0			
Ramp breakover angle	H147	12.0			
Min. running clearance (Specify)	H156	5.5 (Exh. System)			

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4-Dr. Sedan, 2-Dr. H.T., 4-Dr. H.T., Convertible and Station Wagon.

MODEL	SAE Ref. No.	RIVIERA 49487
WIDTH		
Track - Front	W101	63.44
Track - Rear	W102	63.00
Maximum overall car width	W103	79.2
Body width at No. 2 pillar	W117	- - -
LENGTH		
Body "O" to front of dash	L 30	
Wheelbase	L101	119.0
Overall car length	L103	215.2
Overhang - front	L104	41.9
Overhang - rear	L105	54.3
Body upper structure length	L123	107.8
Body "O" line to C of rear wheel	L127	95.5
Body "O" line to w/s cowl point	L130	
HEIGHT		
Passenger Distribution (front & rear)		2 - 1
Trunk/Cargo load (lbs.)		200
Overall height	H101	53.2
Cowl height	H114	
Deck height	H138	- - -
Rocker panel - front	To ground	
	From front wheel C	7.3
Rocker panel - rear	To ground	6.9
	From rear wheel C	
Windshield slope angle	H122	59.9
GROUND CLEARANCE		
Bumper to ground - front	H102	12.9
Bumper to ground - rear	H104	11.5
Angle of approach	H106	20.0
Angle of departure	H107	13.0
Ramp breakover angle	H147	13.9
Min. running clearance (Specify)	H156	5.0 (Rear Axle)

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MODEL	SAE Ref. No.	LESABRE			
		45237	45239	45269	45467
FRONT COMPARTMENT					
Effective head room	H61	38.6	38.3	39.1	39.1
Max. eff. leg room – accelerator	L34	42.3			
H Point to Heel point	H30	8.3			
H Point travel	L17	4.8			
Shoulder room	W 3	62.2			61.7
Hip room	W 5	63.7	63.9	63.1	
Upper body opening to ground	H50	49.2	49.3	49.2	
REAR COMPARTMENT					
H Point couple distance	L50	32.3	35.0	35.3	32.3
Effective head room	H63	37.7	37.4	37.7	37.9
Min. effective leg room	L51	33.9	37.5	37.9	33.9
H Point to Heel point	H31	10.7	10.9	11.6	10.7
Min. knee room	L48	2.4	4.6	4.5	2.4
Rear Compartment room	L 3	25.3	27.6	24.4	
Shoulder room	W 4	60.8	61.3	52.3	
Hip room	W 6	55.5	63.0	62.9	55.5
Upper body opening to ground	H51	----	48.4	49.5	----
LUGGAGE COMPARTMENT					
Usable luggage capacity	V 1	17.3			12.9
Liftover height	H195	28.5			
Position of spare tire storage		Horizontal			
Method of holding lid open		Torsion Bar (Spring Loaded)			
STATION WAGON – THIRD SEAT					
Shoulder Room	W85	No Wagon - This Series			
Hip room	W86	"	"	"	"
Effective leg room	L86	"	"	"	"
Effective head room	H86	"	"	"	"
Seat facing direction		"	"	"	"
STATION WAGON – CARGO SPACE					
Cargo length at floor – front seat	L202	No Wagon - This Series			
Cargo length at belt – front seat	L204	"	"	"	"
Cargo width – Wheelhouse	W201	"	"	"	"
Opening width at belt	W204	"	"	"	"
Maximum cargo height	H201	"	"	"	"
Rear opening height	H202	"	"	"	"
Cargo volume index (cu. ft.) W4 X L204 X H201 1728	V2	"	"	"	"

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MODEL	SAE Ref. No.	WILDCAT			
		46437	46439	46469	46667
FRONT COMPARTMENT					
Effective head room	H61	38.4	38.1	38.9	
Max. eff. leg room - accelerator	L34	42.2			
H Point to Heel point	H30	8.5			
H Point travel	L17	4.8			
Shoulder room	W 3	61.7	61.6	62.2	
Hip room	W 5	63.1	63.1	63.3	
Upper body opening to ground	H50	49.2	49.3	49.7	49.2
REAR COMPARTMENT					
H Point couple distance	L50				
Effective head room	H63	37.7	37.4	37.7	37.9
Min. effective leg room	L51	33.9	37.5	37.9	33.9
H Point to Heel point	H31	10.7	10.9	11.6	10.7
Min. knee room	L48	2.4	4.6	4.5	2.4
Rear Compartment room	L 3	25.3	27.6		24.3
Shoulder room	W 4	60.3	60.8	60.7	52.3
Hip room	W 6	55.5	62.4	62.2	55.5
Upper body opening to ground	H51	----	48.4	49.5	----
LUGGAGE COMPARTMENT					
Usable luggage capacity	V 1	17.3		12.9	
Liftover height	H195	28.5			
Position of spare tire storage		Horizontal			
Method of holding lid open		Torsion Bar (Spring Loaded)			
STATION WAGON - THIRD SEAT					
Shoulder Room	W85	No Wagons - This Series			
Hip room	W86	"	"	"	"
Effective leg room	L86	"	"	"	"
Effective head room	H86	"	"	"	"
Seat facing direction		"	"	"	"
STATION WAGON - CARGO SPACE					
Cargo length at floor - front seat	L202	No Wagons - This Series			
Cargo length at belt - front seat	L204	"	"	"	"
Cargo width - Wheelhouse	W201	"	"	"	"
Opening width at belt	W204	"	"	"	"
Maximum cargo height	H201	"	"	"	"
Rear opening height	H202	"	"	"	"
Cargo volume index (cu. ft.) W4 x L204 x H201 1728	V2	"	"	"	"

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MODEL	SAE Ref. No.	ELECTRA "225"			
		48257	48239	48269	48467
FRONT COMPARTMENT					
Effective head room	H61	38.5	38.5	39.4	38.6
Max. eff. leg room - accelerator	L34	42.2			
H Point to heel point	H30	8.5			9.6
H Point travel	L17	4.8			
Shoulder room	W 3	62.3	62.2		61.6
Hip room	W 5	63.6	63.7		63.6
Upper body opening to ground	H50	49.5		50.4	49.5
REAR COMPARTMENT					
H Point couple distance	L50	35.5		38.5	35.5
Effective head room	H63	38.0		38.3	37.7
Min. effective leg room	L51	37.1	37.8	40.9	37.1
H Point to Heel point	H31	10.8		11.6	10.8
Min. knee room	L48	4.7		7.3	4.7
Rear Compartment room	L 3	28.2	28.1	30.3	27.2
Shoulder room	W 4	60.6	61.4	61.3	52.4
Hip room	W 6	54.7	62.3	62.4	54.6
Upper body opening to ground	H51	----	49.0	50.2	----
LUGGAGE COMPARTMENT					
Usable luggage capacity	V 1	18.2	18.8		13.5
Liftover height	H195	26.7			
Position of spare tire storage		Horizontal			
Method of holding lid open		Torsion Bar (Spring Loaded)			
STATION WAGON - THIRD SEAT					
Shoulder Room	W85	No Station Wagons - This Series			
Hip room	W86	"	"	"	"
Effective leg room	L86	"	"	"	"
Effective head room	H86	"	"	"	"
Seat facing direction		"	"	"	"
STATION WAGON - CARGO SPACE					
Cargo length at floor - front seat	L202	No Station Wagons - This Series			
Cargo length at belt - front seat	L204	"	"	"	"
Cargo width - Wheelhouse	W201	"	"	"	"
Opening width at belt	W204	"	"	"	"
Maximum cargo height	H201	"	"	"	"
Rear opening height	H202	"	"	"	"
Cargo volume index (cu. ft.) W4, L204, H201	V2	"	"	"	"

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MODEL	SAE Ref. No.	RIVIERA
		49487
FRONT COMPARTMENT		
Effective head room	H61	37.9
Max. eff. leg room - accelerator	L34	41.3
H Point to Heel point	H30	8.6
H Point travel	L17	
Shoulder room	W 3	58.8
Hip room	W 5	62.4
Upper body opening to ground	H50	49.4
REAR COMPARTMENT		
H Point couple distance	L50	
Effective head room	H63	37.2
Min. effective leg room	L51	36.7
H Point to Heel point	H31	10.6
Min. knee room	L48	5.0
Rear Compartment room	L 3	27.5
Shoulder room	W 4	56.1
Hip room	W 6	54.7
Upper body opening to ground	H51	----
LUGGAGE COMPARTMENT		
Usable luggage capacity	V 1	11.5
Liftover height	H195	
Position of spare tire storage		Horizontal
Method of holding lid open		Torsion Bar (Spring Loaded)
STATION WAGON - THIRD SEAT		
Shoulder Room	W85	No Station Wagon - This Series
Hip room	W86	" "
Effective leg room	L86	" "
Effective head room	H86	" "
Seat facing direction		" "
STATION WAGON - CARGO SPACE		
Cargo length at floor - front seat	L202	No Station Wagon - This Series
Cargo length at belt - front seat	L204	" "
Cargo width - Wheelhouse	W201	" "
Opening width at belt	W204	" "
Maximum cargo height	H201	" "
Rear opening height	H202	" "
Cargo volume index (cu. ft.) W4 x L204 x H201	V2	" "

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POWER TEAMS

(Indicate whether standard or optional)

MODEL AVAILABILITY	ENGINE					TRANSMISSION	AXLE RATIO (Std. first) (Indicate A/C ratio)
	Displ. cu. in.	Carburetor	Compr. Ratio	BHP RPM	Torque RPM		
LeSabre	350	2 bbl	9.0	230 @ 4400	350 @ 2400	Manual (3)	3.23 (3.91 S.C.O.) No Perf. or Economy
	350	2 bbl	9.0	230 @ 4400	350 @ 4400	Automatic	2.93 Std. (2.73* Econ.) (3.23 Perf.) (3.91 or 3.42 S.C.O.)
	350	4 bbl	10.25	280 @ 4600	375 @ 3200	Automatic	2.93 Std. (2.73* Econ.) (3.23 Perf.) (3.91 or 3.42 S.C.O.)
Wildcat	430	4 bbl	10.25	360 @ 5000	475 @ 3200	Manual (3)	3.07 Std. (2.78 Econ.) (3.42 Perf.) (3.91 S.C.O.)
	430	4 bbl	10.25	360 @	475 @	Automatic	3.07 Std. (2.78 Econ.) (3.42 Perf.) (3.91 S.C.O.)
Electra "225"	430	4 bbl	10.25	360 @ 5000	475 @ 3200	Automatic	2.78 Std. (2.56 Econ.) (3.23 Perf.) (3.91 S.C.O.)
Riviera	430	4 bbl	10.25	360 @ 5000	475 @ 3200	Automatic	3.07 Std. (3.43 Perf.) (3.91 S.C.O.)

* Not Available with A/C

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MODEL	LESABRE 45269	WILDCAT 46469	ELECTRA "225" 48269	RIVIERA 49487
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ENGINE—GENERAL

Type, no. cyls., valve arr.	V8 - 90° - In Head		
Bore and stroke (nominal)	3.800 x 3.850	4.1875 x 3.900	
Piston displacement, cu. in.	350	430	
Bore spacing (C to C)	4.240	4.750	
No. system (front to rear)	L. Bank	1-3-5-7	
	R. Bank	2-4-6-8	
Firing order	1-8-4-3-6-5-7-2		
Compres. ratio (nominal)	9.0	10.25	
Cylinder Head Material	Cast Iron		
Cylinder Block Material	Cast Iron		
Cyl. Sleeve-Wet,dry,none	None		
Number of mtg. points	Front	Two	
	Rear	One	
Engine installation angle	6° 15'		5° 6'
Taxable horsepower	46.2	56.1	
Di ² xNo. Cyl. 2.5			
Publishing max. bhp* @ eng. RPM	230 @ 4400	360 @ 5000	
Publishing max. torque * (lb. ft. @ RPM)	350 @ 2400	475 @ 3200	
Recommended fuel regular - premium	Regular	Premium	

ENGINE—PISTONS

Material	Cast Aluminum Alloy		
Description and finish	Cam Ground - Transverse Slot - Divorced Skirt		
Weight (piston only) oz.	18.192	24.352 ± .064	
Clearance (limits)	Top land	.027 - .036	.0343 - .0423
	Skirt	Top	.0008 - .0014
		Bottom	.0013 - .0029
Ring groove depth	No. 1 ring	.1750 - .1675	.1810 - .1885
	No. 2 ring	.1775 - .1700	.1835 - .1910
	No. 3 ring	.1955 - .1880	.1815 - .1890
	No. 4 ring	Not Used	

* Max. bhp (brake horsepower) and max. torque corrected to 60° F and 29.92 in. Hg atmospheric pressure.

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MODEL	LESABRE	WILDCAT	ELECTRA 48269	RIVIERA
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ENGINE - RINGS

Function (top to bottom)	No. 1, oil or comp.	Compression		
	No. 2, oil or comp.	Compression		
	No. 3, oil or comp.	Oil		
	No. 4, oil or comp.	Not Used		
Compression	Description - material, coating, etc.	#1 - Cast Iron - Molybdenum Coated #2 - Cast Iron - Lubrited		
	Width	.077 - .078		
	Gap	.013 - .023		
Oil	Description - material, coating, etc.	SAE 1070 (No Chrome)	SAE 1070 Steel - Chrome Plated	
	Width	.023 - .025		
	Gap	.015 - .055		
Expanders	Steel Oil Ring - Abutment Type			

ENGINE - PISTON PINS

Material	Extruded SAE 1018			
Length	3.060	3.520		
Diameter	.9391 - .9394	.9991 - .9994		
Type	Locked in rod, in piston, floating, etc.	Pressed-In-Rod		
	Bush- ing	In rod or piston	None	
		Material	None	
Clearance	In piston	.0004 - .0007 Select (Free Fall Through)		
	In rod	.00075 - .00125 Press		
Direction & amount offset in piston	.040 (a)	.060 (a)		

ENGINE - CONNECTING RODS

Material	Pearlitic Malleable Iron	Forged SAE 1141 Steel		
Weight (oz.)	22.8	26.6		
Length (center to center)	6.385	6.598 - 6.602		
Bearing	Material & Type	Steel Backed - M/400 Aluminum - Removable		
	Overall length	.737	.820	
	Clearance (limits)	.0002 - .0023		
	End play	.006 - .014	.005 - .014	

(a) Major Thrust Side

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ENGINE - CRANKSHAFT

Material	Nodular Iron			
Vibration damper type	Rubber Absorption			
End thrust taken by bearing (No.)	Three			
Crankshaft end play	.003 - .009			
Main bearing	Material & type	Steel Backed M/400 Alum. - (#5 - Durex M/100A) Removable		
	Clearance	.0004 - .0015	.0007 - .0018	
	Journal dia. and bearing overall length	No. 1	2.9995 x .864	3.2500 x .865
		No. 2	2.9995 x .864	3.2500 x .865
		No. 3	2.9995 x 1.057	3.2500 x 1.057
		No. 4	2.9995 x .864	3.2500 x .865
		No. 5	2.9995 x .864	3.2500 x 1.143
	No. 6	None		
No. 7	None			
Dir. & amt. cyl. offset	None			
Crankpin journal diameter	2.000	2.249 - 2.250		

ENGINE - CAMSHAFT

Location	Above Crankshaft at Center of "V"			
Material	Cast Iron Alloy			
Bearings	Material	Steel Backed Babbitt		
	Number	Five		
Type of Drive	Gear or chain	Chain		
	Crankshaft gear or sprocket material	Sintered Iron		
	Camshaft gear or sprocket material	Aluminum - Nylon Coated		
	Timing chain	No. of links	54	48
		Width	.875	.739
Pitch		.375	.500	

ENGINE - VALVE SYSTEM

Hydraulic lifters (Std., opt., NA)	Standard		
Valve rotator, type (intake, exhaust)	None		
Rocker ratio	1.55	1.59	
Operating tappet clearance (indicate hot or cold)	Intake	None	
	Exhaust	None	

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ENGINE - VALVE SYSTEM (cont.)

Timing (based on top of ramp points)	Intake	Opens (+BTC)	24	14	
		Closes (-ABC)	78	103	
		Duration - deg.	282	297	
	Exhaust	Opens (+BBC)	70	87	
		Closes (-ATC)	38	46	
		Duration - deg.	288	313	
Valve opening overlap		62	60		
Intake	Material		SAE - 1041 (c)		
	Overall length		5.024 - 4.994	5.155 - 5.125	
	Actual overall head dia.		1.880 - 1.870	2.005 - 1.995	
	Angle of seat & face		45°		
	Seat insert material		None		
	Stem diameter		(a)		
	Stem to guide clearance		(b)		
	Lift (@ zero lash)		.3766	.4187	
	Outer spring press. & length	Valve closed (lb. @ in.)	75 ± 5 @ 1.727	72 ± 5 @ 1.890	
		Valve open (lb. @ in.)	180 ± 7 @ 1.340	177 ± 7 @ 1.450	
	Inner spring press. & length	Valve closed (lb. @ in.)	None		
		Valve open (lb. @ in.)	None		
	Exhaust	Material		21 - 2 (c)	N82152 - (21-4N) (c)
		Overall length		5.044 - 5.014	5.175 - 5.145
Actual overall head dia.		1.505 - 1.495	1.630 - 1.620		
Angle of seat & face		45°			
Seat insert material		None			
Stem diameter		.3730 - .3723 (d)			
Stem to guide clearance		.0015 - .0032			
Lift (@ zero lash)		.3840	.4482		
Outer spring press. & length		Valve closed (lb. @ in.)	75 ± 5 @ 1.727	72 ± 5 @ 1.890	
		Valve open (lb. @ in.)	180 ± 7 @ 1.340	177 ± 7 @ 1.450	
Inner spring press. & length	Valve closed (lb. @ in.)	Not Used			
	Valve open (lb. @ in.)	Not Used			

ENGINE - LUBRICATION SYSTEM

Type of lubrica- tion (splash, pressure, nozzle)	Main bearings	Pressure
	Connecting rods	Pressure
	Piston pins	Splash
	Camshaft bearings	Pressure
	Tappets	Pressure
	Timing gear or chain	Splash & Nozzle
	Cylinder walls	Splash & Nozzle

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- (a) .3725 ± .0005 - Max. Allowable Taper to be .0003 with Smallest Dia. at Head End
- (b) .0015 - .0035 and .0003 Max. Taper
- (c) Aluminized Face & Chrome Flashed Stem
- (d) Max. Taper to be .0002 at Either End

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ENGINE - LUBRICATION SYSTEM (cont.)

Oil pump type	Gear	
Normal oil pressure (lb. engine rpm)	37 @ 2400	40 @ 2400
Oil press. sending unit (elect. or mech.)	Electrical	
Type oil intake (floating, stationary)	Stationary	
Oil filter system (full flow, part., other)	Full Flow	
Filter replacement (element, complete)	Element and Can	
Capacity of c'case, less filter-refill (qt.)		
Oil grade recommended (SAE viscosity and temperature range)	<u>Anticipated Lowest Temp.</u>	<u>Use SAE Viscosity</u>
	Above 32° F	10W-30, 20W or 20
	Below 32° F to Zero F	10W-30, 10W-40 or 10W
	Below Zero F	5W-20, 5W-30 or 5W
Engine Service Reqmt. (MM, MS, etc.)	Passing Car Maker Test GM6041M	

ENGINE - EXHAUST SYSTEM

Type (single, single with cross-over, dual, other)	Single with Crossover	Dual
Muffler No. & type (reverse flow, straight thru, separate resonator)	Reverse Flow with Straight-Thru Resonator	(a)
Exhaust pipe dia. (O.D., wall thick.)	Branch	2.00 - .076
	Main	2.25 - .084 (b)
Tail pipe dia. (O.D. & wall thickness)	2.00 - .048	2.25 - .048
		2.00-.084 (b)
		2.00-.060

ENGINE - CRANKCASE VENTILATION SYSTEM

Type (ventilates to atmos., induction system, other)	Standard	Closed Induction System
	Optional	None
Control Unit	Make and model	A.G.
	Location	Intake Manifold (Lifter Cavity) Rear
	Energy source (manifold vacuum, carburetor air stream, other)	Manifold Vacuum
	Control method (variable orifice, fixed orifice, other)	Variable Orifice
Complete system	Discharges (to intake manifold, carb. air intake, air cleaner intake, other)	Intake Manifold Normally with Additional Discharge into Air Cleaner Under Excessive Blow-By Conditions
	Air inlet (breather cap, carburetor air cleaner, other)	Carburetor Air Cleaner
	Flame arrestor (screen, check valve, other)	Check Valve and Screen

- (a) Two Reverse Flow and Two Reverse Flow Resonators
 (b) Laminated Tubing

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ENGINE – EXHAUST EMISSION CONTROL

Type (Air injection, engine modifications, other)		Controlled Combustion		
Air Injection Pump	Type #	Not Used		
	Displacement			
	Drive ratio			
	Drive type			
	Relief valve (type)			
Filter (describe)				
Air Injection System	Air distribution (head, manifold, etc.)	None		
	Point of entry			
	Injection tube I.D.			
	Check valve type			
Backfire protection (type)				
Carburetor	Make	Rochester		
	Model	2GV	4MV	
	Barrel size	1.4375	(p) 1.375 (s) 2.250	
	Idle speed	Drive	600	550
		Neutral		
Idle A/F mixture				
Aux. Adv. Systems (type)		None		
Distributor	Make	Delco-Remy		
	Model	1111938	1111335	
	Cent'fgal adv. in crank degrees @ eng. rpm	Start (rpm)	850	1100
		Intermed. points deg. @ rpm	21° @ 1800	21° @ 1800
		Max. deg. @ rpm	32° @ 4600	32° @ 4600
	Vacuum adv. in crank degrees @ eng. rpm	Start (in Hg) 7"	
		Intermed. points deg. @ in. Hg 16 @ 15"	
Max. deg. @ in.	 19.5 @ 25"		
Vacuum Source		Intake Manifold Ported to Atmosphere at Idle		
Timing - Crank degrees @ rpm		0° BTC		
Cooling System		T.V.S. Switch (Auto. Trans. Only) to Advance Timing when Coolant Becomes "Hot".		
Exhaust System				

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ENGINE - FUEL SYSTEM

(See supplemental page for Details of Fuel Injection, Supercharger, etc. if used)

Induction type: Carburetor, fuel injection, supercharger.		Carburetor				
Fuel Tank	Refill capacity (U.S. gals.)	25 (Approx.)		21 (Approx.)		
	Filler location	Rear				
Fuel Pump	Type (elec. or mech.)	Mechanical		Electrical		
	Locations	Engine		Fuel Tank		
	Pressure range	(e)	5.5-7.0 @ otlt. (c)		(d)	
Vacuum booster (std., optional, none)		None				
Fuel Filter	Type	Pleated Paper		Woven Plastic		
	Locations	Carburetor Inlet		Tank		
Carburetor	Choke type	Remote (Manifold)		Automatic		
	Intake manifold heat control (exhaust or water)	Exhaust				
	Air cleaner type	Standard	Oiled Paper Element			
		Optional	Heavy Duty Dual Stage Element			
	Idle speed (spec. neutral or drive)	Manual	700 (Neutral) A/C Same with A/C "Off"			
Automatic		600	550 (Drive) A/C Same with A/C "Off"			
	Idle A/F mix.	14.5	14.6			

CARBURETOR SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Model Usage	Engine Displ.	Transmission	Carburetors		No. Used and Type	Barrel Size
			Make	Model		
LeSabre Series 452-454	350	Manual (3)	Rochester	2 GV	1-2 bb1	1.4375
	350	Automatic	Rochester	2 GV	1-2 bb1	1.4375
	350	Automatic	Rochester	2 GV	1-4 bb1	(a)
Wildcat Series 464-466	430	Manual (3)	Rochester	4 MV	1-4 bb1	(a)
	430	Automatic	Rochester	4 MV	1-4 bb1	(a)
Electra "225" Series 482-484	430	Automatic	Rochester	4 MV	1-4 bb1	(a)
Riviera Series 494	430	Automatic	Rochester	4 MV	1-4 bb1	(a)

(a) Primary - 1.375; Secondary - 2.250

(c) With Vapor Return Blocked

(d) 5.5-7.0 at 13.5 Volts

(b) 5.5-7.0 @ Outlet with V.R. Blocked (A/C Cars)

(e) 4.25-5.75 @ Otlt. (b)

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ENGINE—COOLING SYSTEM

Type system (pressure, pressure vented, atmospheric, other)		Pressure		
Radiator cap relief valve pressure		15 psi		
Circulation thermostat	Type (choke, bypass)	Choke		
	Starts to open at (°F)	190		
Water pump	Type (centrifugal, other)	Centrifugal		
	GPM @ 1000 pump rpm	10	15	
	Number of pumps	One		
	Drive (V-belt, other)	V-Belt		
Bearing type		Double Row		
By-pass recirculation type (inter., ext.)		External		
Radiator core type (cellular, tube and fin, other)		Cross-Flow		
Cooling system capacity	With heater (qt.)	13.20	16.7	
	Without heater (qt.)	12.34	15.8	
	Opt. equipment-specify (qt.)	13.55 (A/C)	17.0 (A/C)	
Water jackets full length of cyl. (yes, no)		No		
Water all around cylinder (yes, no)		Yes		
Radiator hose	Lower	Number and type (molded, straight)	One Molded	
		Inside diameter	1.50	
	Upper	Number and type (molded, straight)	One Molded	
		Inside diameter	1.50	
	By-pass	Number and type (molded, straight)	One Molded	
		Inside diameter	.62	
Fan	Number of blades & spacing	4-65 x 115° (a)	4-65 x 115° (5 A/C) (b)	
	Diameter	18.0	18" (20" A/C)	
	Ratio-fan to crankshaft rev.	.95 (1.15 A/C)	.92 (1.30 A/C)	
	Fan cutout type	Thermo - Clutch with A/C		
	Bearing type	Single Row Ball		
* Drive belts (indicate belt used by letter)	Fan	A (G - A/C)	B	
	Generator or alternator	A (G - A/C)	B	
	Water Pump	A (G - A/C)	B	
	Power Steering	C	D	
	Air Conditioning	E	F	H

* Drive Belt Dimensions	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
Angle of V	38°	38°	38°	38°	38°	38°	38°	38°			
Nominal length (SAE)	45.5	48.9	39.0	42.20	61.50	64.00	46.0	62.76			
Width	.38	.38	.47	.47	.47	.47	.38	.47			

(a) 7 Blades with A/C

(b) 7 Blades - 40°-45°-50°-54°-59°-64°-48° Form Rev. 3-67

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ELECTRICAL - SUPPLY SYSTEM

Battery	Make and Model	Delco #R58	Delco #Y70	
	Voltage Rtg. & Total Plates	12-66		
	SAE Designation & Amp. Hr. Rtg.	9MJ3F-61	9MJ6A-70	
	Location	Right Front Fender Skirt	Left Front Fender Skirt	
	Terminal grounded	Negative		
Generator or Alternator	Make	Delco - Remy		
	Model	1100691 (a)		
	Type and rating	Diode Rectified Alternator (42 amps) (a)		
	Output at engine idle (neutral)	15 amps Min. (b)		
	Ratio-Gen. to Cr's rev.	2.29 (c)	2.47 (d)	
Regulator	Make	Delco - Remy		
	Model	1119515		
	Type	Voltage Control		
	Cutout relay	Closing voltage generator rpm	None	
		Reverse current to open	None	
	Regulated	Voltage	13.6 to 14.4 @ 125°	
		Current	None	
	Voltage test conditions	Temperature	None	
		Load	Run 15 Min. @ 10 Amps (Max.)	
Other		Battery Must Be in Circuit		

ELECTRICAL - STARTING SYSTEM

Starting Motor	Make	Delco - Remy		
	Model	1108391	1108392	
	Rotation (drive end view)	Clockwise		
Motor control	Switch (solenoid, manual)	Switch - Solenoid		
	Starting procedure	(e)		
Motor Drive	Engagement type	Solenoid with Over-Running Clutch		
	Pinion meshes (front, rear)	Front		
	Number of teeth	Pinion	9	
		Flywheel	Manual	160
	Auto.		160	166
Flywheel tooth face width	Manual	375	Not Used	
	Auto.	375		

(a) #1100774 (55 amps) with A/C

(b) 20 amps Min. with A/C

(c) 2.66 with A/C

(d) 2.93 with A/C

(e) Manual - Place selector lever in Neutral & depress clutch pedal

Automatic - Place transmission selector lever in neutral or park. Turn ignition key clockwise to engage starter. Release key as soon as engine starts.

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ELECTRICAL - IGNITION SYSTEM

Type	Conventional - Std., Opt., N.A.	Standard		
	Transistorized - Std., Opt., N.A.	Not Available		
	Other (specify)			
Coil	Make	Delco - Remy		
	Model	1115247		
	Amps	Engine stopped	3.8 @ 12.6V	
		Engine idling	2.3 @ 12.6V	
Distributor	Make	Delco - Remy		
	Model	1111938	1111335	
	Cent'gal adv. in c./shaft degrees @ engine rpm (nominal)	Start (rpm)	850	1100
		Intermediate points deg. @ rpm	21° @ 1800	21° @ 1800
		Max. deg. @ rpm	32° @ 4600	
	Vacuum adv. in c./shaft degrees @ in. Hg. (nominal)	Start (in. Hg.)	6 - 8	
		Intermediate points, deg. @ in. Hg.	16.0 @ 15	
		Max. deg. in. Hg.	19.5 @ 25	
		Breaker gap (in.)	.013 - .019	
		Cam angle (deg.)	30 ± 1	
	Breaker arm tension (oz.)	19 - 23		
Timing	Crankshaft deg. @ rpm	0° BTC @ 550		
	Mark location	Harmonic Damper		
Spark Plug	Make	A.G.		
	Model	R45TS	R44TS	
	Thread (mm)	14		
	Tightening torque (lb. fr.)	15		
	Gap	.030		
Cable	Conductor type	2000 ohms per Foot (Resistance Cable)		
	Insulation type	Neoprene (with Inner Braid)		
	Spark plug protector	Hypalon Boot		

ELECTRICAL - SUPPRESSION

Locations & type	(a)
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- (a) TVRS Cable - Spark Plugs and Coil to Distributor
- Condensers at Voltage Regulator and Delcotron
- Ground Straps - Engine to Dash and Resistor Spark Plugs

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ELECTRICAL - INSTRUMENTS AND EQUIPMENT

Speed-ometer	Type	Mechanical (Eddy Current)		
	Trip odometer (yes,no)	No		
Charge indicator - type		Indicator Light		
Temperature indicator - type	"Hot" Only	(a)		
Oil pressure indicator - type		Indicator Light - (Pressure)		
Fuel indicator - type		Electrical		
Other				
Wind-shield wiper	Type - Standard	Electric - (Two Speed)		
	Type - Optional	None		
Wind-shield washer	Type - Standard	Electric Engagement Mech. Piston Pump		
	Type - Optional	None		
Horn	Type	Solenoid		
	Number used	Two		
	Amp draw (each)	4.5 - 5.5		

DRIVE UNITS - CLUTCH (Manual Transmission)

Make & type	Dry		Not Available	
Type pressure plate springs	Belleville			
Total spring load (lb.)	1900 - 2100	2450 - 2750		
No. of clutch driven discs	One			
Clutch facing	Material	Woven		
	Outside & inside dia.	10.4 x 6.50	11.0 x 6.50	
	Total eff. area (sq.in.)	103.5	123.7	
	Thickness	.135	.140	
	Engagement cushioning method	Springs		
Release bearing	Type & method of lubrication	Ball Sealed		
Torsional damping	Methods: springs, friction material	Springs		

(a) Indicator (Engine Hot) Metal Temp. Sensing Switch

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DRIVE UNITS – TRANSMISSIONS

Manual 3-speed (std. or opt.)	Standard	Not Available
Manual 4-speed (std. or opt.)	Not Available	
Manual with overdrive (std. or opt.)	Not Available	
Automatic (std. or opt.)	Optional	Standard

DRIVE UNITS – MANUAL TRANS.

Number of forward speeds	Three	Not Available	
Transmission ratios	In first	2.42	
	In second	1.61	
	In third	1.00	
	In fourth	---	
	In reverse	2.33	
Synchronous meshing, specify gears	All Forward		
Shift lever location	Steering Column		
Lubricant	Capacity (pt.)	3.5	
	Type recommended	(a)	
	SAE viscosity number	Summer	SAE-80
		Winter	SAE-80
	Extreme cold	SAE-80	

DRIVE UNITS – MANUAL TRANS. W/OVERDRIVE

(For transmission data see manual transmission section)

Type (planetary or other)	Not Available	
Manual lockout (yes, no)		
Downshift accelerator control (yes, no)		
Minimum cut-in speed		
Gear ratio		
Lubricant	Capacity (pt.) (Overdrive only)	
	Separate filler (yes, no)	
	Type recommended	
	SAE viscosity number	Summer
Winter		
	Extreme cold	

(a) Multi-Purpose Gear Lubricant (MIL-L-2105B)

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DRIVE UNITS—AUTOMATIC TRANSMISSION

Trade name	(h)		Turbo Hydra-matic "400"				
Type describe	Two Speed		Three Speed Each with Torque Converter				
Selector location	Steering Column (f)						
List gear ratios Selector Pattern and indicate which are used in each selector position	<u>D</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>R</u>	<u>DRIVE</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>L</u>	<u>REV.</u>
	1st ---	1.765	---	1st	2.48	2.48	2.48 2.08
	2nd	1.00	---	2nd	1.48	1.48	----
				3rd	1.00	1.00	----
Max. upshift speed—drive range	68 (1-2)		44(a) 78(b)		48(a) 86(b)	44(a) 78(b)	
Max. kickdown speed—drive range	64 (2-1)		25(c) 72(d)		28(c) 80(d)	25(c) 72(d)	
Torque converter	Number of elements		Three				
	Max. ratio at stall		2.25		2.05		
	Type of cooling (air, liquid)		Water				
	Nominal diameter		11.75				
Lubricant	Capacity—refill (pt.)		(g)		23 Total-7 Drain		
	Type recommended		"DEXRON" R Automatic Trans. Fluid				
Special transmission features							

DRIVE UNITS—PROPELLER SHAFT

Number used	One		Two	
Type (straight tube, tube-in-tube, internal-external damper, etc.)	Exposed			
Outer diam. x length ^a x wall thickness	Manual 3-speed trans.	3.00 x 59.88 x .065	3.25 x 58.35 x .065	Not Available
	Manual 4-speed trans.	Not Available		
	Overdrive transmission	Not Available		
	Automatic transmission	3.00 x 60.04 x .065 (e)	3.25 x 61.35 x .065 (e)	Frnt-2.25 x .095 x 36.209 Rr-2.25 x .095 x 25.30 (e)

^a Center to center of universal joints, or to centerline of rear attachment.

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|---------------|---|
| (a) 1-2 Shift | (d) 3-2 Shift |
| (b) 2-3 Shift | (e) Uses Rubber Biscuit Drive in Rear |
| (c) 2-1 Shift | (f) Console Shift Optional on Wildcat and Riviera |
| | (g) 19 Total-5 Drain |
| | (h) Super Turbine "300" |

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DRIVE UNITS—PROPELLER SHAFT (cont.)

Inter- mediate bearing	Type (plain, anti-friction)	Anti-Friction		
	Lubrication (fitting, prepack)	Pre-Packed		
Slip Yoke	Type			
	Number of teeth	27 O.D. (Man.) 27 O.D. (Auto.)	28 Teeth (Man.) 32 Teeth (Auto.)	32 Teeth 24 P.D.
	Spline O.D.	1.1750/1.145 (M) 1.166/1.150 (A)	1.373/1.357 (A)	1.373-1.357
Universal joints	Make and Mfg. No.	Saginaw with Double Cardan Center		(a)
	Number used	4		5
	Type (ball and trunnion, cross)	Cross		
	Rear attach. (u-bolt, clamp, etc.)	U-Bolts	14-7/16" Bolts	
	Bearing	Type (plain, anti-friction)	Needle (Anti-Friction Type)	
Lubric. (fitting, prepack)		Pre-Packed		
Drive taken through (torque tube or arms, springs)		Arms		
Torque taken through (torque tube or arms, springs)		Arms		

DRIVE UNITS—AXLE

Type (front, rear)		Rear			
Description		Salisbury Hypoid - Semi-Floating Positive Traction-(Optional)			
Limited Slip differential, type					
Drive Pinion Offset		1.750			
No. of differential pinions		2			
Pinion adjustment (shim, other)		Shim			
Pinion bearing adj. (shim, other)		Collapsible Spacer			
Wheel bearing type		Ball			
Lubricant	Capacity (pt.)	2.90	4.25		
	Type recommended	MIL-L-2105B			
	SAE vis- cosity number	Summer	80		
		Winter	80		
Extreme cold		80			

AXLE RATIO TOOTH COMBINATIONS

(See page 3 for axle ratio usage)

Axle ratio	(b)	(c)	(d)	(e)	(f)	(g)	(h)	(i)
	3.23	3.07	2.78	3.91	2.93	2.73	3.42	2.56
No. of teeth	Pinion	13	14	14	11	14	15	12
	Ring gear	42	43	39	43	41	41	41
Ring Gear O.D.	8.500			9.375				

(a) Saginaw with Double Cardan Center and Rear

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(b) Std (3-Spd) (Perf-Auto)	(c) Std.	(d) Std.	(c) Std.	(h) Std.
(e) SCO (3-Spd. and Auto)	(d) Econ.	(i) Econ.	(h) Perf.	(e) SCO
(f) Std. (Automatic)	(h) Perf.	(h) Perf.	(e) SCO	
(g) Econ. (Automatic)	(e) SCO	(e) SCO		
(h) SCO (Automatic)	(*) Same Ratios (Manual (3) or Automatic)			

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	45269	46469	48269	49487

DRIVE UNITS - WHEELS

Type & material		Disc - Steel		
Rim (size & flange type)	Std.	15 x 6.00 "JK"		
	Opt.	None		
Attachment	Type (bolt or stud)	Stud		
	Circle diameter	5.00		
	Number and size	Five - .500-20		

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DRIVE UNITS - TIRES

Standard	Size, ply rating, & ply	8.55 - 15	8.85-15 (a)	8.55-15 (a)	
	Type (bias, radial, etc.)	Bias Angle			
	Full rated Inflation Press.	Front	24	24	24
		Rear	28	26	26
	Rev./Mile at 50 MPH	739	729	737	
Optional	Size, ply rating, & ply	H70-15 Wide Oval - (Export)	225R15	225R15	
		8.55-15 (a)	Radial Ply	Radial Ply	
		225R15 Radial Tires	8.85-15 4-Ply Nylon (Export)	8.55-15 4-Ply Nylon (Export)	
		8.55-15 4-Ply Nylon (Export)		H70-15 (Export)	

BRAKES - PARKING

Type of control		Step - On
Location of control		Left Side at Cowl
Operates on		Rear Shoes
If separate from service brakes	Type (internal or external)	Not Used
	Drum diameter	Not Used
	Lining size (length x width x thickness)	Not Used

(a) 2-Ply with 4-Ply Rating

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BRAKES—SERVICE

Type (drum) or (disc & no. of pistons)		Drum (a)		
Self adjusting (std., opt., N.A.)		Standard		
Special Valving	Type (proportion, delay, metering, other)	None		
Power brake make & type (remote, int., etc.)	Std. Opt.	Delco-Moraine (Int. Vac. Susp.) Front Power Disc		
Effective area (sq. in.) *		156.9		
Gross lining area (sq. in.) **		193.3		
Swept area (sq. in.) ***		320.5		
Front to Rear Effectiveness Relationship		58.5	61.5	
Drum	Diameter (nominal)	Front	12.007 - 11.997	
		Rear	12.007 - 11.997	
	Type and material	Composite Cast Iron	Fronts - Aluminum with Cast Iron Liner Rears - Composite Cast Iron	
Rotor	Outer working diameter			
	Inner working diameter			
	Working width			
	Material & type (vented/solid)			
Wheel cylinder bore	Front		1.875	
	Rear		1.000 .9375	
Master Cylinder	Bore.		1.000	
	displacement distribution	Front % Rear %	64.0 36.0 61.5 (h) 38.5	
Pedal arc ratio				
Line pressure at 100 lb. pedal load		740 psi (c)	1100psi	
Shoe Clearance	Front		.015	
	Rear		.015	
Brake Lining	Bonded or riveted		Riveted	
	Front Wheel	Material		Molded Extruded
		Size (length x width x thickness)	Prim. or out-board	9.90 x 2.25 x .220
			Second. or in-board	12.85 x 2.25 x .316
		Segments per shoe		One
	Rear Wheel	Material		Molded Extruded
		Size (length x width x thickness)	Prim. or out-board	9.90 x 2.00 x .220
			Second. or in-board	12.85 x 2.00 x .316
Segments per shoe		One		

* Excludes rivet holes, grooves, chamfers, etc. ** Includes rivet holes, grooves, chamfers, etc.

*** Total swept area for four brakes. (Widest lining contact width for each brake x its contact circumference.)

(a) Front Power Disc Type Optional

(b) 74.5 when Optional Front Power Disc Equipped

(c) 880 psi when Optional Power Brakes Equipped

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MODEL	LESABRE	WILDCAT	ELECTRA #32511	RIVIERA
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STEERING

Manual (std., opt., NA)		Standard		Not Available		
Power (std., opt., NA)		Optional		Standard		
Adjustable steering wheel (tilt, swing, other)	Type and description	Tilt (a)				
	(std., opt., NA)					Optional
Wheel diameter	Manual	16.0				
	Power	16.0				
Turning diameter (feet)	Outside front	Wall to wall (l. & r.)	45.6	49.0	46.0	
		Curb to curb (l. & r.)	42.2	46.1	43.4	
	Inside rear	Wall to wall (l. & r.)	24.8	28.8	26.10	
		Curb to curb (l. & r.)	25.7	29.4	26.70	
Manual	Gear	Type	Recirculating Ball-Nut		Not Available	
		Make	Saginaw		Not Available	
	Ratios	Gear	28.0	28.0	Not Available	
		Overall	34.3	34.3	Not Available	
	No. wheel turns (stop to stop)		6.7		Not Available	
Power	Type (coaxial, linkage, etc.)		In-Line Rotary Valve			
	Make		Saginaw			
	Gear	Type	Recirculating Ball-Nut - Integral with Power Piston			
		Ratios	Gear	17.5	16.0 - 12.2 Variable Ratio	
			Overall	21.4	19.6 - 14.0	17.4 - 11.6
	Pump driven by		Belt			
No. wheel turns (stop to stop)		4.2	3.3	2.9		
Linkage	Type		Parallelogram			
	Location (front or rear of wheels, other)		Rear of Wheels			
	Drag link (trans. or longit.)		Transverse			
	Tie rods (one or two)		Two			
Steering Axis	Inclination at camber (deg.)		10° 43' @ 0° 53'			
	Bearings (type)	Upper	Ball Joint Suspension Used			
		Lower	Ball Joint Suspension Used			
		Thrust	Ball Joint Suspension Used			
Whl. Align. (range at curb wt. & preferred)	Caster (deg.)		+45' ± 30' (Curb Height)		+1° ± 30'	
	Camber (deg.)		0° ± 30'		0° +15' ± 30'	
	Toe-in (outside track inches)		.25 ± .05		.20 ± .05	
Steering spindle & joint type						
Wheel Spindle	Diameter	Inner bearing	1.3748/1.3743			
		Outer bearing	.8435/ .8430			
	Thread size		.750 - 20			
	Bearing type		Tapered Roller			

(a) Not Available with Manual Transmission

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MODEL	LESABRE	WILDCAT	ELECTRA "225"	RIVIERA
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SUSPENSION – GENERAL

(See Supplement page for details on Air Suspension)

Provision for car leveling	Yes (Optional)	
Provision for brake dip control	Yes	
Provision for acc. squat control	Yes	
Special provisions for car jacking	None	
Shock absorber front & rear	Type	Direct
	Make	Delco
	Piston dia.	1.00
Other special features	None	

SUSPENSION – FRONT

Type and description		Coil Springs and Ball Joints		
Spring	Type	Coil		
	Material	SAE - 9260		
	Size (coil design height & I.D. bar length x dia.)	11.00 Design Ht. - 4.05 I.D.		
	Spring rate (lb. per in.)	158 x .670	161 x .695	152 x .695
	Rate at wheel (lb. per in.)	290	325	345
Stabilizer	Rate at wheel (lb. per in.)	96	105	111
	Type (link, linkless, frameless)	Link		
	Material & bar diameter	.812 (b)	.844 (b)	.812 (b)

SUSPENSION – REAR

Type and description		Coil Springs		
Drive and torque taken through		Arms		
Spring	Type	Coil		
	Material	SAE - 9260		
	Size (length x width, coil design height & I.D.; bar length & dia.)	9.00 Design Ht. - 5.50 I.D.		
	Spring rate (lb. per in.)	142 x .576	141 x .580	137 x .567
	Rate at wheel (lb. per in.)	100	105	100
	Rate at wheel (lb. per in.)	96	100	104
	Mounting insulation type	Rubber		
If leaf	No. of leaves	None		
	Shackle (comp. or tens.)	None		
Stabilizer	Type (link, linkless, frameless)	None		
	Material	None		
Track bar type		None		(a)

(a) Tublar - Rubber Bushed

(b) SAE - 1084

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CONVENIENCE EQUIPMENT

(Indicate whether standard, optional or NA on each series)

Power windows	Side windows	Optional (a)		
	Vent windows	Not Available	(b)	Not Available
	Backlight or railgate	Not Used		
Power seats (specify type as well as availability)		Optional (4 or 6 Way)		
Reclining front seat back (R-L or both)		Optional (2 Door Models - Bucket Seats Only)		
Front seat head restrainer (R-L or both)		Standard		
Radios (specify type as well as availability)		Sonomatic, AM/FM, AM/FM Stereo		
Rear seat speaker		Optional		
Power antenna		Optional (d)		
Clock		Optional	Standard	
Air conditioner (specify type and availability)		Optional		
Speed warning device		Optional		
Speed control device		Optional (c)		
Ignition lock lamp		Standard		
Dome lamp		Standard		
Glove compartment lamp		Standard		
Luggage compartment lamp		Optional	Standard	
Underhood lamp		Dealer Installed		
Courtesy lamp		Optional	Standard	
Map lamp		Optional	Standard	
Auto. trans. quad. lamp		Optional (Console Only)		
Cornering light lamp		Optional (c)		
Emergency Flasher		Standard		
Ash Rcvr Lamp		Standard		

LAMP HEIGHT AND SPACING

Height above ground to center of bulb or marker	Headlamp	Highest *	25.49	25.29	25.47	23.86
			Lowest	25.49	25.29	25.47
	Tail	Highest	25.29		22.07	23.60
		Lowest	- - -		22.07	- - -
	Sidemarker	Front	17.04	16.84	17.02	20.18
		Rear	23.51	23.31	22.44	20.48
Distance from C L of car to center of bulb	Headlamp	Inside			23.59	12.46
		Outside *			31.18	18.92
	Tail	Inside	14.32		17.20	12.55
		Outside	30.35		28.67	26.29
	Directional	Front	32.60			29.92
		Rear	30.35		28.67	26.29

- * If single headlamps are used enter here.
- (a) Standard on Electra Convertible.
- (b) Optional on Convertible. Also other body styles when power window equipped.
- (c) Not available with Man. Trans.
- (d) Standard with FM Radio and Stereo

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WEIGHTS

Model	CURB WEIGHT * POUNDS			% PASS. WEIGHT DISTRIBUTION				LIQUID WEIGHT	
	Front	Rear	Total	Pass. In Front		Pass. In Rear		Fuel	Coolant
				Front	Rear	Front	Rear		
45237	2137	1951	4088	51.28	48.72	19.50	80.50	152	28
45239	2160	1975	4135	51.25	48.75	19.51	80.49	152	28
45269	2131	1987	4118	50.81	49.19	19.68	80.32	152	28
45437	2179	1991	4170	51.28	48.72	19.50	80.50	152	28
45439	2207	2018	4225	51.27	48.73	19.50	80.50	152	28
45467	2123	1987	4110	50.72	49.28	19.71	80.29	152	28
45469	2178	2030	4208	50.84	49.16	16.67	80.33	152	28
46437	2197	1973	4170	51.67	48.33	19.35	80.65	152	35
46439	2271	2085	4356	51.21	48.79	19.53	80.47	152	35
46469	2218	2036	4254	51.19	48.81	19.53	80.47	152	35
46637	2259	2027	4286	51.71	48.29	19.34	80.66	152	35
46639	2276	2096	4372	51.14	48.86	19.55	80.45	152	35
46667	2245	2059	4304	51.22	48.78	19.52	80.48	152	35
48239	2318	2128	4446	51.23	48.77	19.52	80.48	152	35
48257	2294	2061	4355	51.70	48.30	19.34	80.66	152	35
48269	2291	2104	4395	51.21	48.79	19.53	80.47	152	35
48439	2334	2150	4484	51.16	48.84	19.55	80.45	152	35
48457	2305	2069	4374	51.72	48.28	19.33	80.67	152	35
48467	2327	2134	4461	51.25	48.75	19.51	80.49	152	35
48469	2307	2126	4433	51.14	48.86	19.56	80.44	152	35
49487	2285	2042	4327	51.81	48.19	19.30	80.70	128	35
Accessories & Equipment Differential Weights				Remarks					
V8 Engine-Hi Performance	7.91	-----	7.91	LeSabre					
LeSabre "400" Package	35.92	13.17	49.09						
Super Turbine "300"	-11.52	-4.48	-16.00	Two-Speed (LeSabre)					
Turbo Hydramatic "400"	16.40	6.39	22.79	Three-Speed (Wildcat)					
Power Brakes	8.61	-----	8.61	LeSabre and Wildcat					
Power Steering	27.70	-----	27.70	LeSabre and Wildcat					
Radio, Sonomatic	6.60	2.40	9.00						
Radio, AM/FM	7.95	5.30	13.25						
Tires, Whitewall	1.64	2.45	4.09	LeSabre, Wildcat, and Riviera					
Tires, Whitewall	2.85	4.27	7.12	Electra					
Disc Brakes, Front	9.63	-----	9.63	LeSabre					
Disc Brakes, Front	28.27	-----	28.27	Wildcat					
Disc Brakes, Front	28.04	-----	28.04	Electra and Riviera					
Air Conditioner	109.89	-1.76	108.13	LeSabre					
Air Conditioner	103.96	-1.66	102.30	Wildcat					
Air Conditioner	103.08	-1.65	101.43	Electra					
Air Conditioner	85.63	-1.37	84.26	Riviera					
Cornering Lights	5.40	-----	5.40	LeSabre					
Cornering Lights	4.21	-----	4.21	Wildcat and Electra					
Cornering Lights	5.62	-----	5.62	Riviera					

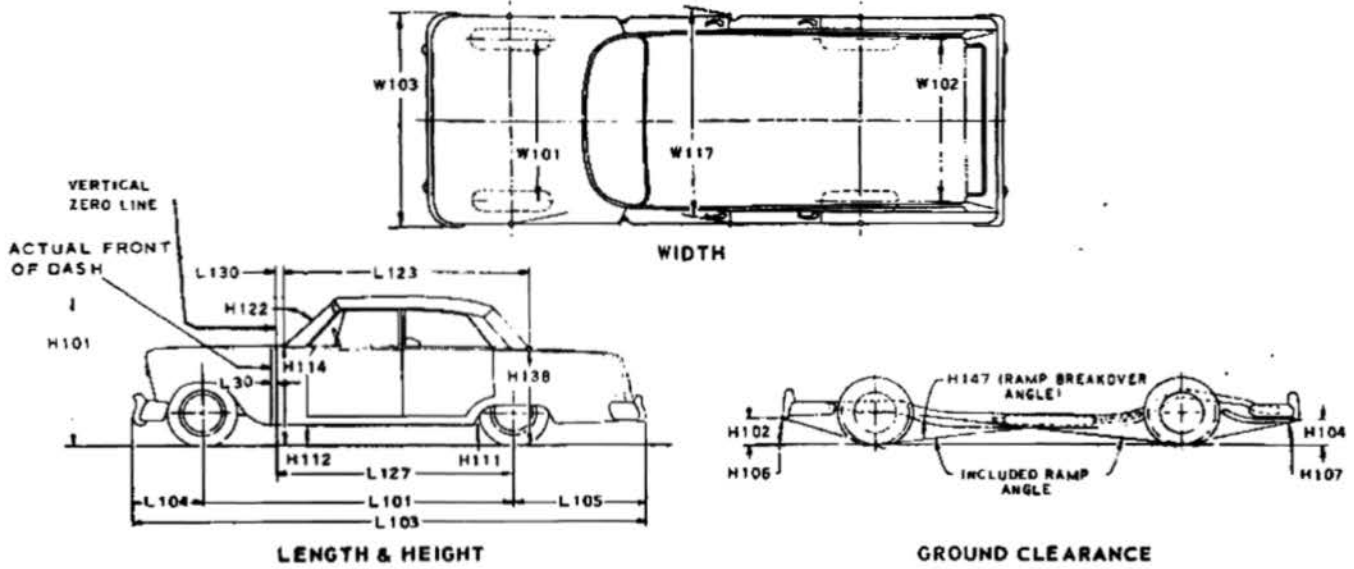
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CAR AND BODY DIMENSIONS

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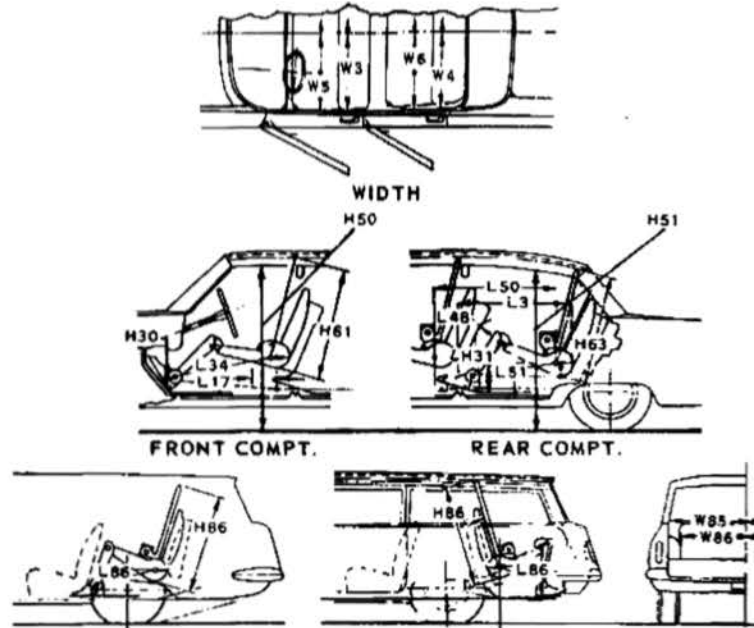
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LENGTH & HEIGHT

GROUND CLEARANCE

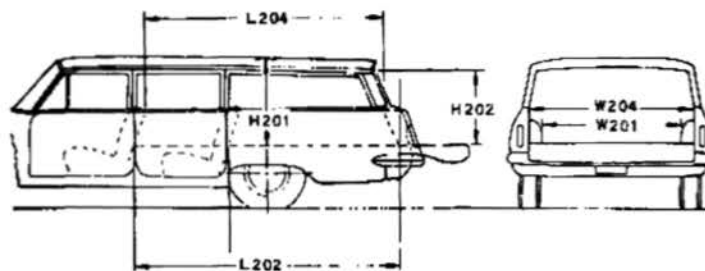
INTERIOR CAR AND BODY DIMENSIONS



FRONT COMPT.

REAR COMPT.

THIRD SEAT



CARGO SPACE

CAR AND BODY DIMENSIONS

KEY SHEET

DIMENSION DEFINITIONS

EXTERIOR WIDTH DIMENSIONS

- W101 WHEEL TREAD - FRONT. Measured at centerline of tires, with nominal camber, at ground.
- W102 WHEEL TREAD - REAR. Measured at centerline of tires at ground.
- W103 MAXIMUM OVERALL CAR WIDTH. Include bumpers, moldings, or sheet metal protrusions. Measured to outside of metal.
- W117 MAXIMUM BODY WIDTH AT #2 PILLAR. Measured across a body at #2 pillar, excluding hardware and applied moldings.

EXTERIOR LENGTH DIMENSIONS

- L 30 VERTICAL ZERO LINE TO ACTUAL FRONT OF DASH. If actual Front of Dash is to the rear of Body Zero Line, it is identified by a minus (-) sign.
- L101 WHEELBASE.
- L103 OVERALL LENGTH. Include bumper guards if standard equipment.
- L104 OVERHANG - FRONT. Measured from C/L of front wheels to front of car, including bumper guards if standard equipment.
- L105 OVERHANG - REAR. Measured from C/L of rear wheels to rear of car, including bumper guards if standard equipment.
- L123 BODY UPPER STRUCTURE LENGTH AT CAR CENTERLINE. The horizontal dimension from the Cowl Point to the Deck Point.
- L127 VERTICAL ZERO LINE TO CENTERLINE OF REAR WHEELS. A horizontal dimension.
- L130 VERTICAL ZERO LINE TO WINDSHIELD COWL POINT. The horizontal dimension from the vertical zero line to the theoretical intersection of extended windshield glass plane and normal cowl surface.

EXTERIOR HEIGHT DIMENSIONS

- H101 OVERALL HEIGHT - DESIGN. Measured with the vehicle in Manufacturer's Design Weight attitude.
- H114 COWL POINT TO GROUND. Measured at vehicle centerline.
- H138 DECK POINT TO GROUND. Measured at vehicle centerline.
- H112 ROCKER PANEL TO GROUND - FRONT. The vertical dimension from ground to bottom of rocker panel, excluding flanges. Measured to the outside of sheet metal at foremost point of rocker panel.
- H111 ROCKER PANEL TO GROUND - REAR. The vertical dimension from ground to bottom of rocker panel, excluding flanges. Measured to the outside of sheet metal at front of rear wheel opening.
- H122 WINDSHIELD SLOPE ANGLE. The angle between a vertical line and the windshield surface at car centerline. On compound-curved windshields the chord of the arc is used and limited to that section of the windshield comprehended by an 18-inch chord.

GROUND CLEARANCE DIMENSIONS

- H102 BUMPER TO GROUND - FRONT. Minimum dimension, includes bumper guards.
- H104 BUMPER TO GROUND - REAR. Minimum dimension, includes bumper guards.
- H106 ANGLE OF APPROACH. The angle between ground and a line tangent to the front tire static loaded radius arc and the first point of interference, i.e., bumper, guard, gravel deflector, fender or other component, excluding license plate. This dimension may be determined graphically for reporting purposes.
- H107 ANGLE OF DEPARTURE. The angle between ground and a line tangent to the rear tire static loaded radius arc and the first point of interference, i.e., bumper, guard, gravel deflector, tail pipe, fender or other component, excluding license plate. This dimension may be determined graphically for reporting purposes.
- H147 RAMP BRAKING ANGLE. The supplement of included ramp angle (180° minus included ramp angle) over which car can pass without interference; measured with car sitting on a level surface, using lines tangent to arcs of front and rear static loaded radii and intersecting at point on underside of car which defines the smallest angle.
- H156 MINIMUM RUNNING GROUND CLEARANCE. Location of measurement on the car is to be clearly recorded.

FRONT COMPARTMENT DIMENSIONS

- H 61 EFFECTIVE HEAD ROOM - FRONT. The dimension from H Point to the headlining, plus a constant of 4.0 inches, measured along a line 8° to rear of vertical.
- L 34 MAXIMUM EFFECTIVE LEG ROOM - ACCELERATOR. Measured along a diagonal line from the Manikin ankle pivot center to the H Point plus a constant of 10.0 inches. For treadle type accelerator pedals, the leg room is measured with the Manikin's right foot on the accelerator pedal and the Manikin Heel Point at Accelerator Heel Point. All other types of accelerator pedals will be measured with the Manikin foot angle set at 87° and the shoe touching the pedal.
- H 30 H POINT TO HEEL POINT - FRONT. The vertical dimension from the H Point to the Accelerator Heel Point.
- L 17 H POINT TRAVEL. The horizontal dimension between the H Point in the most forward and rearward seat positions.

FRONT COMPARTMENT DIMENSIONS (Cont.)

- W 3 SHOULDER ROOM - FRONT. The minimum lateral dimensions between the door garnish moldings or nearest interference, measured at the H Point station.
- W 5 HIP ROOM - FRONT. The lateral dimension through the H Point to trimmed body surfaces. Depress loose side wall cloth to trim foundation or other obstruction if such construction exists.
- H 50 UPPER BODY OPENING TO GROUND - FRONT. The vertical dimension from a point on the trimmed body opening to the ground, measured at the H Point station.

REAR COMPARTMENT DIMENSIONS

- L 50 H POINT COUPLE DISTANCE. The horizontal dimension from the front seat H Point to the rear seat H Point.
- H 63 EFFECTIVE HEAD ROOM - REAR. The dimension from the H Point to the headlining, plus a constant of 4.0 inches, measured along a line 8° to rear of vertical.
- L 51 MINIMUM EFFECTIVE LEG ROOM - REAR. Measured along a diagonal line from the ankle pivot center to the H Point plus a constant of 10.0 inches, with the foot positioned to the nearest interference between the seat structure and toe, instep or lower leg.
- H 31 H POINT TO HEEL POINT - REAR. The vertical dimension from the H Point to the Manikin Heel Point on the depressed floor covering.
- L 48 MINIMUM KNEE ROOM - REAR. The minimum dimension from the Manikin knee pivot center to the back of the front seat back.
- L 3 REAR COMPARTMENT ROOM. The horizontal dimension from the back of front seat to front of rear seat back at height tangent to the top of rear seat cushion.
- W 4 SHOULDER ROOM - REAR. The minimum lateral dimension between the door garnish molding or nearest interference. Measured at H Point station.
- W 6 HIP ROOM - REAR. The lateral dimension through H Point to trimmed body surfaces. Depress loose side wall cloth to trim foundation or other obstruction when such construction exists.
- H 51 UPPER BODY OPENING TO GROUND - REAR. The vertical dimension from a point on the trimmed body opening to the ground, measured 13.0 inches forward of the H Point.

LUGGAGE COMPARTMENT DIMENSIONS

- V 1 LUGGAGE CAPACITY - USABLE. The total luggage compartment luggage capacity in cubic feet with the tire and tools in place.
- H195 LIFTOVER HEIGHT. Vertical dimension from the highest point on the luggage compartment lower opening to ground, excluding corner radii.

STATION WAGON - THIRD SEAT DIMENSIONS

- W 85 SHOULDER ROOM - THIRD SEAT. The minimum lateral dimension between the door garnish moldings or nearest interference. Measured at H Point station.
- W 86 HIP ROOM - THIRD SEAT. The lateral dimension through H Point to trimmed surfaces.
- L 86 EFFECTIVE LEG ROOM - THIRD SEAT. Measured along a diagonal line from ankle pivot center to H Point plus a constant of 10.0 inches. With rear-facing third seat, foot is positioned in foot well or to nearest interference with rear end or rear closure.
- H 86 EFFECTIVE HEAD ROOM - THIRD SEAT. The dimension from H Point to the headlining, plus a constant of 4.0 inches. Measured along a line 8° to rear of vertical.

STATION WAGON - CARGO SPACE DIMENSIONS

- L202 CARGO LENGTH AT FLOOR - FRONT SEAT. The horizontal dimension, measured at the floor level from the rear of the front seat back to the normal inside limiting interference on the tailgate, on the car centerline.
- L204 CARGO LENGTH AT BELT - FRONT SEAT. The horizontal dimension measured from the top rear of front seat back to a vertical extension line from the normal inside limiting interference at the top of the tailgate, on the car centerline.
- W201 CARGO WIDTH - WHEELHOUSE. The minimum horizontal dimension, measured between wheelhouses at floor level.
- W204 OPENING WIDTH AT BELT. The minimum horizontal dimension, measured between the nearest normal inside limiting interferences of the rear opening at the top of the tailgate.
- H201 MAXIMUM CARGO HEIGHT. The maximum vertical dimension, measured from the top of the floor covering to the headlining, on the car centerline.
- H202 REAR OPENING HEIGHT. The vertical dimension measured from the top of the floor covering to the normal inside limiting interference at the top of the rear opening, on the car centerline, with both tail-and liftgates fully open.
- V 2 CARGO VOLUME INDEX BEHIND FRONT SEAT. The total volume in cubic feet above the normal load floor and behind the front seat with the liftgate and tailgate closed.

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