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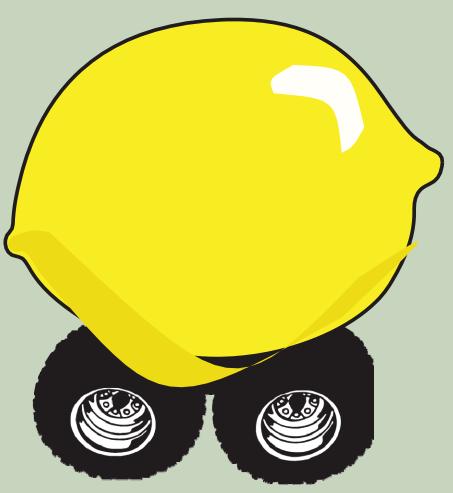
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## INTRODUCTION TO THE PROGRAM RESULTS FOR FY 2015



#### INTRODUCTION

The 2015 Lemon Law Annual Report (Report)<sup>1</sup>, published the Texas Department of Motor Vehicles (TxDMV) will now provide public information on motor vehicles ordered replaced or repurchased from data compiled from the preceding fiscal year. In past years, the statistics provided in the Report were compiled and provided to the public, examining the repurchase and replacement of motor vehicles information each calendar year. However, in keeping with department initiatives, and for consistency with other department data publications, the Report will now publish the statutorily mandated details by examining the results of the recently concluded fiscal year.

The Texas Lemon Law, passed by the Texas Legislature in 1983, is designed to assist consumers who have purchased or leased new motor vehicles with evidence of substantial defects to obtain repair, replacement or repurchase, where necessary. The state program is administered by the TxDMV's Lemon Law Section. This state law has been recognized nationally as one of the most effective pieces of legislation in obtaining fair resolution of disputes between consumers and motor vehicle manufacturers. This Report serves to provide information about the number of motor vehicles replaced or repurchased and to inform the public of the efforts of the TxDMV to ensure that motor vehicle manufacturers comply with state laws and that defective vehicles are removed from state roadways.

In Fiscal Year 2015 (FY '15), the Lemon Law program's efforts included:

- 14 motor vehicles ordered repurchased or replaced by manufacturers pursuant to a hearing due to substantial defect with a total value of just over \$450,000.00;
- 96 motor vehicles reacquired by manufacturers as the result of settlement agreements after consumers filed a complaint with the TxDMV;
- 754 out-of-state defective motor vehicles reacquired by manufacturers that entered Texas after repair of alleged defects;
- 431 lemon law complaints filed with the TxDMV in FY '15, an increase of 14% since FY 2013;
- 363 lemon law complaints closed by the TxDMV in FY '15; and
- 213 complaints settled by the TxDMV before the issuance of a final decision by an administrative law judge (ALJ) or TxDMV hearings examiner.<sup>2</sup>

Since 1993, there have been almost 17,000 complaints filed with the TxDMV, and the Lemon Law has generated almost \$117 million in repurchase or replacement value to Texas consumers.

This 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Report includes information on the program results, geographic distribution of complaints filed, defects reported, complaints filed and closed, complaint processing times, settlements, and vehicles ordered repurchased or replaced by an ALJ or TxDMV hearings examiner.

Prior to 2008, nationwide vehicle sales exceeded 16 million. The gradual economic recovery in the United States raised total vehicle sales to 18.2 million units as of August 2015.<sup>3</sup> That number is an increase from 17.66 million units from the same time last year.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The TxDMV is required to publish an annual report made available to the public on ordered repurchases and replacements of motor vehicles pursuant to Texas Occupations Code § 2301.611.

<sup>2</sup> Complaints may be settled by a TxDMV Case Advisor by phone conference between the parties or the use of a mediation inspection. A mediation inspection is an in-person analysis of the motor vehicle that is the subject of a lemon law or warranty complaint. The inspections are conducted by a TxDMV Case Advisor at an agreed location, such as a vehicle dealership. The complainant and a manufacturer representative typically attend the mediation inspection with the TxDMV Case Advisor, who is a trained motor vehicle technician and certified mediator. This opportunity for inspection of the subject motor vehicle is used by the TxDMV Case Advisor to assess the alleged defects and to affect settlement where possible.

<sup>3</sup> Data from YCharts.com/indicators/auto\_sales (US Vehicle Sales)

#### **Chart A**

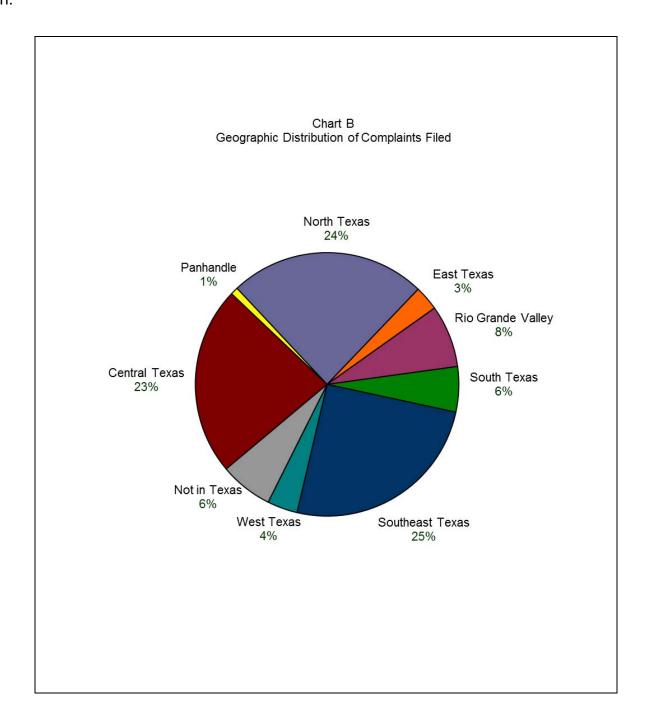
This chart shows an overview of the program results for FY '15 along with the previous two years' results for comparison.

Chart A Summary of Program Results							
	FY '13	FY '14	FY '15				
Complaints Filed	370	391	431				
Complaints Closed	353	416	363				
Settlements	179	228	213				
Repurchase/Replacement Orders	70	72	110				

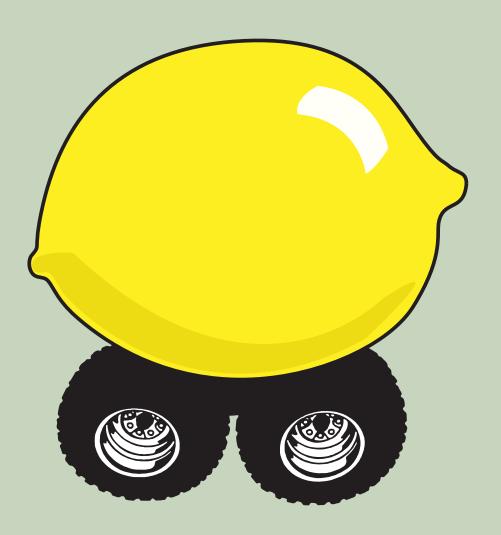
Most complaints involve passenger cars and light trucks; however, complaints were also received on all-terrain vehicles, medium trucks, heavy trucks, motorcycles, motor homes and towable recreational vehicles. Purchase prices of the vehicles subject to complaint ranged from a few thousand dollars to just under two hundred thousand dollars for a motor home.

#### **Chart B**

The Lemon Law Section has divided the state into nine areas, which coincide with TxDMV regional centers. The largest percentage of complaints were filed from the Southeast Texas area, which includes Houston. The next two largest areas in which complaints were filed are Central Texas, which includes Austin and San Antonio, and North Texas, which includes Dallas and Fort Worth.

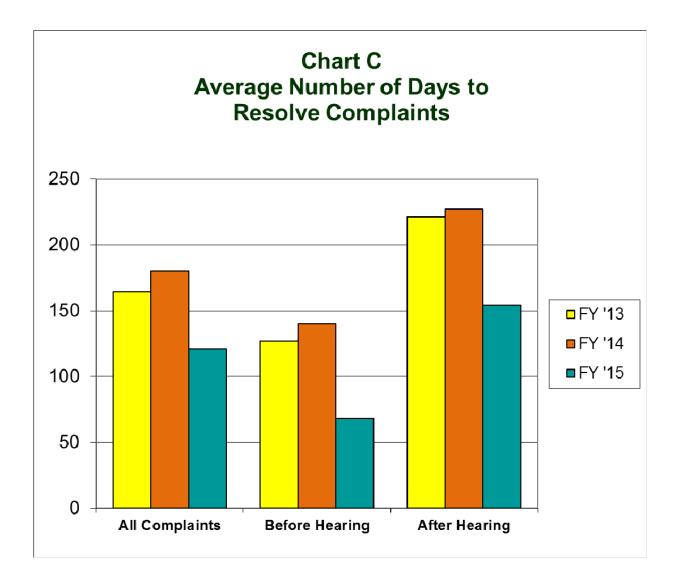


# COMPLAINT PROCESS



#### **Chart C**

Chart C shows the average processing times for the complaints closed for FY '13 through FY '15. The trend expressed shows a 36% decrease in processing time to resolve complaints over the last three years.



## COMPLAINTS FILED

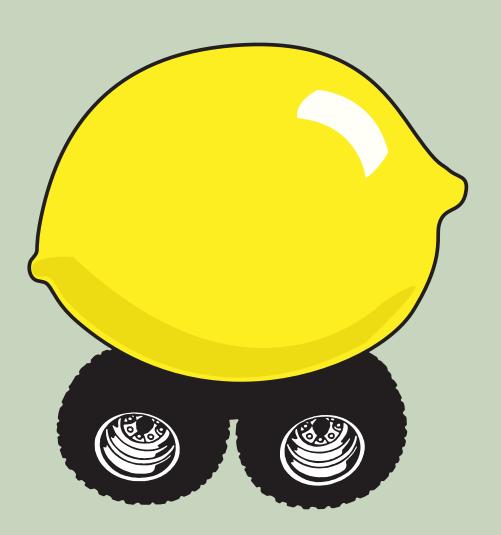


Chart D1 shows how many passenger car and truck complaints were filed by model (listed alphabetically by make) for the period of FY '13 through FY '15. Of the 431 complaints filed in FY '15, 88.40% were for cars and trucks.

		(Passenger Colaints by Mal			
Make	Model	FY '13	FY '14	FY '15	FY '15 Complaint Share
	ILX	0	1	0	0.00%
Acura	MDX	1	1	0	0.00%
Acuia	RDX	2	0	1	0.23%
	TSX	1	1	0	0.00%
Total		4	3	1	0.23%
A 1*	A5	0	0	0	0.00%
Audi	Q5	0	1	1	0.23%
Total	S5	1	0	1	0.23%
Total	1 Corios	1	1	2	0.46%
	1 Series 2 Series	0	0	0	0.00% 0.23%
	3 Series	2	1	4	0.93%
	5 Series	4	3	3	0.70%
	7 Series	0	3	0	0.00%
BMW	X1	1	0	0	0.00%
	X3	1	0	1	0.23%
	X5	0	3	1	0.23%
	X5M	1	0	0	0.00%
	X6	1	0	1	0.23%
Total		10	11	11	2.55%
	Enclave	2	0	1	0.23%
Buick	Encore	0	0	1	0.23%
Buick	LaCrosse	3	0	2	0.46%
	Verano	1	2	0	0.00%
Total		6	2	4	0.93%
	ATS	0	1	1	0.23%
	CTS	1	1	1	0.23%
Cadillac	DTS	1	0	0	0.00%
	Escalade	1	1	3	0.70%
	SRX XTS	2	2	0	0.00% 0.00%
Total	X13	7	6	5	1.16%
- Total	Aveo	0	0	2	0.46%
	Camaro	5	7	6	1.39%
	Cobalt	1	0	0	0.00%
	Colorado	0	1	1	0.23%
Chaymalat	Corvette	0	2	1	0.23%
Chevrolet	Cruze	5	4	1	0.23%
	Equinox	5	3	1	0.23%
	Express	2	1	1	0.23%
	HHR	0	0	1	0.23%
	Impala	1	3	1	0.23%

Chart D1 (Continued)							
	Malibu	3	4	2		0.46%	
	Silverado	12	9	11		2.55%	
	Sonic	1	0	0		0.00%	
	Spark	1	1	1		0.23%	
Chevrolet	Suburban	1	0	0		0.00%	
	Tahoe	2	0	2		0.46%	
	TrailBlazer	1	1	0		0.00%	
	Traverse	3	4	2		0.46%	
	Volt	1	0	0		0.00%	
Total	VOIL	44		40	33	0.0076	7.66%
	200	1	3	7		1.62%	110070
	300	2	4	0		0.00%	
	Grand Voyager	1	0	0		0.00%	
Chrysler	PT Cruiser	1	0	0		0.00%	
	Sebring	0	0	1		0.23%	
	Town & Country	1	6	3		0.23%	
Total	10wii & Country	6		13	11	0.7076	2.55%
Total	Avenger	6	4	5		1.16%	2.55 /6
	Caliber	0	1	0		0.00%	
	Challenger	4	8	5		1.16%	
	Charger	5	4	6		1.39%	
	Dakota Pickup	1	0	0		0.00%	
	Dart	1	7	15		3.48%	
Dodge		4	5	10		2.32%	
Douge	Durango	2	0	0		0.00%	
	Grand Caravan		_				
	Intrepid	1 5	0	0		0.00%	
	Journey	0	4	6		1.39%	
	Nitro		1			0.00%	
	Ram	27 0	36	37		8.58%	
Total	Viper	56		70	86	0.46%	19.95%
	500	2	4	0		0.00%	19.95 /6
Fiat	Abarth	0	0	2		0.46%	
Total	Abartii	2		4	2	0.4070	0.46%
	C-Max	1	1	1		0.23%	
	Crown Victoria	0	1	0		0.00%	
	Edge	1	2	1		0.23%	
	Escape	7	3	4		0.93%	
	Expedition	4	1	1		0.23%	
	Explorer	8	5	4		0.93%	
	F Series	23	18	20		4.64%	
	F450 Pickup (MT)	1	0	0		0.00%	
Ford	F550 Pickup (MT)	2	0	0		0.00%	
- <del></del>	F650 Pickup (MT)	1	0	0		0.00%	
	F750 Pickup (MT)	0	0	1		0.23%	
	Fiesta	6	6	4		0.23%	
	Flex	0	0	0		0.93%	
	Focus	11	13	10		2.32%	
	Fusion	4	8	10		0.23%	
	1	3	3	1			
	Mustang	1		2		0.23%	
Total	Taurus		1			0.46%	11.60%
[0][8]		73		62	50		11.60%

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Freightliner	FL112 (HT)	1	0		0		0.00%	
Freigntimer 	M2106 (MT)	1	1		0		0.00%	
Total		2		1		0		0.00%
	Acadia	1	1		3		0.70%	
	Envoy	0	2		0		0.00%	
GMC	Sierra	1	6		6		1.39%	
	Terrain	3	1		2		0.46%	
	Yukon	0	0		2		0.46%	
Total		5		10		13		3.02%
	Accord	3	4		3		0.70%	
	Civic	2	4		1		0.23%	
Honda	CR-V	2	0		1		0.23%	
Honda	Odyssey	3	0		6		1.39%	
	Passport	1	0		0		0.00%	
	Pilot	1	0		0		0.00%	
Total		12		8		11		2.55%
	Accent	0	0		0		0.00%	
	Azera	0	1		0		0.00%	
	Elantra	1	2		0		0.00%	
	Entourage	0	1		0		0.00%	
Usunda:	Genesis	2	0		1		0.23%	
Hyundai	Santa Fe	0	0		2		0.46%	
	Sonata	3	1		3		0.70%	
	Tucson	2	1		0		0.00%	
	Veloster	0	1		0		0.00%	
	Veracruz	2	0		2		0.46%	
Total		10		7		8		1.86%
	G35	0	1		0		0.00%	
	JX35	0	3		0		0.00%	
Infiniti	M56	1	1		0		0.00%	
""""	Q50	0	0		1		0.23%	
	QX56	0	2		0		0.00%	
	QX60	0	1		0		0.00%	
Total		1		8		1		0.23%
International	7500	0	1		0		0.00%	
	Terrastar (HT)	1	0		0		0.00%	
Total		1		1		0		0.00%
	XF-Type	0	0		2		0.46%	
Jaguar	XFR-Type	0	2		0		0.00%	
	XJ-Type	0	1		0		0.00%	
	XJL-Type	1	0		0		0.00%	
Total		1		3		2		0.46%
	Cherokee	0	1		12		2.78%	
	Compass	0	0		1		0.23%	
Jeep	Grand Cherokee	2	10		20		4.64%	
•	Liberty	1	0		1		0.23%	
	Patriot	0	0		3		0.70%	
	Wrangler	5	4		9		2.09%	10.0
Total		8		15		46	0.55	10.67%
	Cadenza	0	0		1		0.23%	
Kia	Forte	1	0		0		0.00%	
	K900	0	3		<u>1</u> 3		0.23%	
	Optima	1	1 2		3		0.70%	

	Chart	D1 (Cont	inue	ed)					
	Rio	1		1		0		0.00%	
	Sedona	0		0		1		0.23%	
Kia	Sorento	2		4		3		0.70%	
	Soul	2		0		1		0.23%	
	Sportage	1		0		0		0.00%	
Total			8		8		10		2.32%
	Discovery	0		0		1	•	0.23%	
Land Rover	LR2	1		0		0		0.00%	
Land Rover	Range Rover	1		0		1		0.23%	
	Range Rover Sport	0		1		0		0.00%	
Total			2		1		2		0.46%
	IS	0		0		1		0.23%	
Laura	GS	1		0		0		0.00%	
Lexus	GX	0		0		1		0.23%	
	RX	0		0		1		0.23%	
Total			1		0		3		0.70%
	MKC	0		0		1		0.23%	
	MKS	1		1		0		0.00%	
	MKT	1		0		1		0.23%	
Lincoln	MKX	0		1		2		0.46%	
	MKZ	0		0		1		0.23%	
	Navigator	0		1		0		0.00%	
	Town Car	1		0		0		0.00%	
Total			3		3		5		1.16%
Lotus	Evora		1		0		0		0.00%
Maseratti	Ghibli	0		0		1		0.23%	
Maseratti	GranTurismo	1		2		0		0.00%	
Total			1		2		1		0.23%
	CX-5	0		1		0		0.00%	
	CX-7	0		0		1		0.23%	
	Mazda3	1		0		2		0.46%	
Mazda	Mazda6	0		0		2		0.46%	
	Miata	0		1		0		0.00%	
	Millenia	0		0		1		0.23%	
	Protégé	0		1		0		0.00%	
Total			1		3		6		1.39%
	C-Class	1		3		2		0.46%	
	CLA-Class	0		0		2		0.46%	
	CLS-Class	1		0		0		0.00%	
Marcados-Ronz	E-Class	4		0		2		0.46%	
Mercedes-Benz	GL-Class	0		2		0		0.00%	
	OL CIACO					2		0.46%	
	M-Class	0		2				0.4076	
		0		1		0		0.40%	
	M-Class	0							
Total	M-Class SLK-Class Sprinter	0	7	1	8	0	10	0.00%	2.32%
Mercury	M-Class SLK-Class Sprinter Mariner	0	7	1	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
	M-Class SLK-Class Sprinter	0		1		0		0.00% 0.46%	
Mercury Mini	M-Class SLK-Class Sprinter Mariner	0 1 0	0	1	0	0	0	0.00%	0.00%
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Cube		Altima	5	5	6	1.39%			
Frontier		Armada	1	2	2	0.46%			
Nissan		Cube	0	1	0	0.00%			
Nissan    Juke		Frontier	1	0	1	0.23%			
Maxima		GT-R	2	0	0	0.00%			
Maxima		Juke	1	0	0	0.00%			
Nissan			2	1	1				
NV	Nissan								
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Pathfinder									
Rogue									
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	Chart D1 (Continued)							
Volvo	S60	1	0	0	0.00%			
	VNL 780 (HT)	0	0	1	0.23%			
	XC60	0	0	2	0.46%			
	XC70	0	0	1	0.23%			
Total		1	0	4	0.93%			
Miscellaneous Complaints	Unknown	7	6	15	3.48%			
Total Complaints Filed		327	346	381	88.40%			

Chart D2 shows how many motor home complaints were filed by model (listed alphabetically by make) for the period of FY '13 through FY '15. Of the 431 complaints filed in FY '15, 2.32% were for motor homes.

	Chart D2 (Motor Home				
Make	Model	FY '13	FY '14	FY '15	FY '15 Complaint Share
	Concord	0	2	0	0.00%
Coachmen	Mirada	0	0	1	0.23%
	Pathfinder	1	1	0	0.00%
Total		1	3	1	0.23%
Fleetwood	Quest	1	0	0	0.00%
Forest River	Georgetown	1	0	0	0.00%
	Solera	0	1	0	0.00%
Total		1	1	0	0.00%
Holiday Rambler	Vacationer	0	0	1	0.23%
Jayco	Greyhawk	0	1	1	0.23%
Jayco	Precept	1	0	0	0.00%
Total		1	1	1	0.23%
Keystone	Alpine	0	0	0	0.00%
Monaco	Admiral	0	0	0	0.00%
Newmar	Bay Star	1	0	0	0.00%
	Canyon Star	0	1	0	0.00%
Total		1	1	0	0.00%
Pleasure-Way	Excel	1	0	0	0.00%
	Chateau	0	1	0	0.00%
	Daybreak	0	2	0	0.00%
	EVO	0	1	0	0.00%
Thor	Four Winds	0	2	2	0.46%
11101	Hurricane	1	0	0	0.00%
	Outlaw	0	1	1	0.23%
	Palazzo	0	1	0	0.00%
	Tuscany	0	1	0	0.00%
Total		1	9	3	0.70%
	Itasca Reyo	0	0	1	0.23%
	Itasca Suncruiser	0	1	0	0.00%
Winnebago	Itasca Sunstar LX	0	0	2	0.46%
vviiiilebago	Sonova	0	0	1	0.23%
	View	0	1	0	0.00%
	Vista	0	1	0	0.00%
Total		0	3	4	0.93%
Total Complaints Filed		7	18	10	2.32%

Chart D3 shows how many towable recreational vehicle complaints were filed by model (listed alphabetically by make) for the period of FY '13 through FY '15. Of the 431 complaints filed in FY '15, 6.26% were for towable recreational vehicles.

	Chart D3 (Towable Recre Complaints by Make		cles)		
Make	Model	FY '13	FY '14	FY '15	FY '15 Complaint Share
Airstream	Flying Cloud	1	0	0	0.00%
Columbia Northwest	Somerset	0	1	0	0.00%
	Elevation	0	0	2	0.46%
	Hill Country	2	1	0	0.00%
CrossRoads	Longhorn	0	1	0	0.00%
	Rushmore	1	0	2	0.46%
	Sunset Trail Reserve	0	0	1	0.23%
Total		3	2	5	1.16%
Cruiser	Shadow Cruiser	0	0	1	0.23%
DRV LLC	Mobile Suite	1	1	1	0.23%
Dutchmen	Aerolite	0	0	2	0.46%
	Voltage	0	0	3	0.70%_
Total		0		5	1.16%
	Cardinal	0	0	1	0.23%
	Cedar Creek	0	0	1	0.23%
	Crusader	1	0	0	0.00%
	Flagstaff	0	1	0	0.00%
	Lexington	1	0	0	0.00%
	Palomino Trailer	0	1	0	0.00%
Forest River	Rockwood	1	1	0	0.00%
1 01001 111101	Salem	0	0	1	0.23%
	Sandpiper	0	1	0	0.00%
	Shasta Phoenix	0	0	1	0.23%
	Sierra	0	0	1	0.23%
	Surveyor	1	0	0	0.00%
	Wildcat	0	0	1	0.23%
	Wildwood	1	0	0	0.00%
Total		5	4	6	1.39%
Gulf Stream	Sedona	0	1	0	0.00%
	Big Country	1	2	0	0.00%
	Cyclone	0	1	1	0.23%
	Elkridge	2	0	0	0.00%
	Gateway	0	0	1	0.23%
Heartland	Greystone	2	0	0	0.00%
. Iou. IIu.iu	Pioneer	0	0	1	0.23%
	Road Warrior	0	1	2	0.46%
	Sundance	0	1	0	0.00%
	Torque	0	0	1	0.23%
	Trail Runner SLE	0	0	1	0.23%
Total		5		7	1.62%
	Alpine	0	0	1	0.23%
	Laredo	1	0	0	0.00%
Keystone	Montana	1	0	0	0.00%
	Passport	1	0	0	0.00%
	Raptor	0	1	0	0.00%

	Chart D	3 (Continue	ed)				
Keystone	Sprinter	1		0	0	0.00%	
Total			4	1	1	0.23%	%
Landmark	Rushmore		1	0	0	0.00%	%
	Journeyer	1		1	0	0.00%	
	Light	0		0	1	0.23%	
Open Range	Mesa Ridge	1		1	0	0.00%	
	Open Range	3		0	0	0.00%	
	Roamer	0		1	0	0.00%	
Total			5	3	1	0.23%	%
Skyline	Layton		0	1	0	0.00%	%
Starcraft	Autumn Ridge		1	0	0	0.00%	%
Total Complaints Filed		2	6	19	27	6.26%	%

Chart D4 shows how many all-terrain vehicle and motorcycle complaints were filed by model (listed alphabetically by make) for the period of FY '13 through FY '15. Of the 431 complaints filed in FY '15, 3.02% were for all-terrain vehicles, motorcycles, or neighborhood electric vehicles.

Chart D4 (All Terrain Vehicles, Motorcycles and Neighborhood Electric Vehicles)  Complaints by Make and Model							
Make	Model	FY '13		FY '14	FY '15	FY '15 Complaint Share	
Arctic Cat	425 (ATV)		0	0	1		0.23%
Bennche	Big Horn (ATV)	2	_	0	0	0.00%	
Berniene	Spire (ATV)	0		0	1	0.23%	
Bennche		2		0	1		0.23%
BMW	K 1600 GTL (MC)	(	0	0	1		0.23%
	Commander (MC)	0		1	0	0.00%	
Can-Am	Commander Max (ATV)	0		0	1	0.23%	
Call-Alli	DS (ATV)	0		1	0	0.00%	
	Spyder (MC)	1		2	0	0.00%	
Can-Am			1	4	1		0.23%
Harley-Davidson	Flhtcusse8	(	0	0	1		0.23%
Honda	Gold Wing (MC)	(	0	0	1		0.23%
John Deere	Gator (ATV)	(	0	1	0		0.00%
Kawasaki	KRF750 (MC)	1		0	0		0.00%
Kubota	RTVX (AVT)	0		1	0		0.00%
Massimo	MSU 600	0		0	1		0.23%
Motobravo	MC150 (MC)		1	0	0		0.00%
Oreion	Reeper (ATV)	0		0	1	0.23%	
Oreion	Sand Reeper (NEV)	0		1	0	0.00%	
Total			0	1	1		0.23%
	Ranger (ATV)	2		3	0	0.00%	
Polaris	Ranger Crew (ATV)	0		0	1	0.23%	
	Trailboss (ATV)	1		0	0	0.00%	
Polaris		(	3	3	1		0.23%
Puma	Romeo (MC)	(	0	1	0		0.00%
Roketa	MC 100 (MC)		1	0	1		0.23%
Star	NV (NEV)	(	0	0	0		0.00%
Supermach			0	0	0		0.00%
TAOTAO ATM50 (MC)			0	0	1		0.23%
Thoroughbred	Stallion (MC)	1		0	1		0.23%
Tomberlin	Emerge (NEV)	0		0	0		0.00%
Tomoto	ATV 150 (ATV)	0		0	0		0.00%
Triumph	Explorer (MC)	0		1	0		0.00%
Victory	Cross Country (MC)	0		0	1		0.23%
Total Complaints Filed		10	0	12	13		3.02%

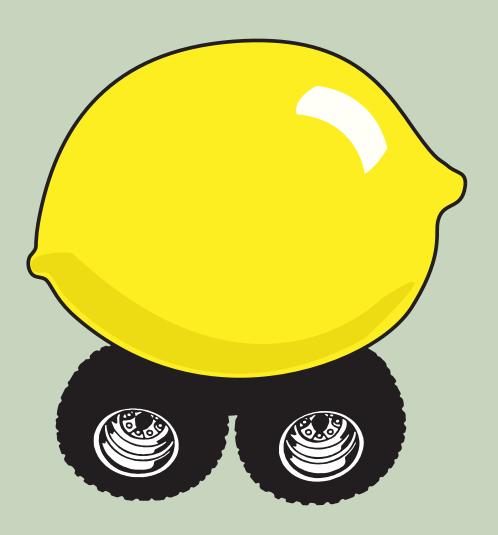
#### **Chart E**

Chart E shows the predominate defect claimed by consumers upon filing their complaints for the 10 vehicle models that had the greatest number of complaints filed. The "other" category can be issues such as frame rust, rattles in dash, or exhaust system problems. In motorhomes and TRVs, the issues complained of include leveling system defects, water infiltration and grey water problems.

Chart E Predominate Defects Reported for the Top 10 Vehicle Models by Make and Model								
Make	Make Model Complaints Defect							
Chevrolet	Silverado	11	Driveline Vibrations	6				
Chrysler 200		7	Engine Performance/Emissions					
		15	Electrical	7				
	Dart		Engine Mechanical	7				
Dodge			Engine Performance/Emissions	7				
	Durango 10		Engine Performance/Emissions	7				
	Ram	35	Engine Performance/Emissions	18				
Ford	F Series	16	Other	8				
li old	Focus	10	Automatic Transmission	8				
Jeep	Cherokee	12	Engine Performance/Emissions	7				
	Grand Cherokee	20	Automatic Transmission	9				
	Wrangler	8	Water Leaks	3				

In example, six (6) of the eleven (11) total complaints filed on Chevrolet Silverado in FY '15 pertained to a Driveline Vibration issue/malfunction.

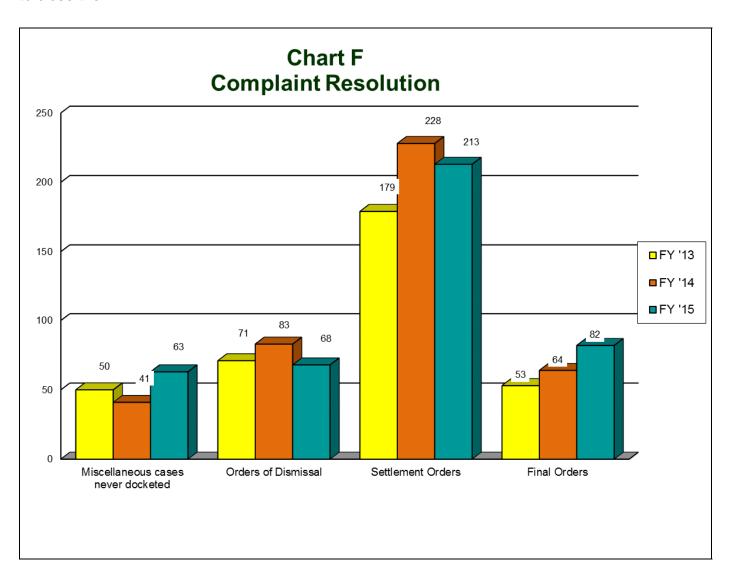
## COMPLAINTS CLOSED



#### **Chart F**

Chart F shows the comparison of complaint resolution statistics for the period of FY '13 to FY '15. All cases, if docketed, are resolved by the issuance of an order by the TxDMV board or its delegate pursuant to a proposal for decision (PFD) from an ALJ, or a final decision/order from a TxDMV hearings examiner.<sup>4</sup> The type of orders issued can reflect a settlement between the parties, the dismissal of the complaint<sup>5</sup>, or the issuance of a decision after an administrative hearing. An order issued by an OAH hearings examiner is a final order of the TxDMV, where a PFD issued by an ALJ did not become a final order until signed by the TxDMV final order authority, which could be the chairman of the TxDMV board or the board's delegate.<sup>6</sup>

Cases that are not docketed are expressed as "miscellaneous". No order was issued in these cases to close them.



<sup>4</sup> Lemon Law complaints filed on or after January 1, 2014 are heard by a TxDMV hearings examiner from OAH. All complaints filed prior to January 1, 2014 were heard by an ALJ from the State Office of Administrative Hearings (SOAH). The cases expressed in this Annual Report include cases heard by SOAH ALJs and TxDMV hearings examiners.

<sup>5</sup> A dismissal order is issued in the event of non-participation or ineligibility of the complainant after docketing a complaint.

<sup>6</sup> See Texas Occupations Code §2301.704(c).

#### **Chart G**

Chart G shows the breakdown of the types of settlements reached between the parties, resulting in the issuance of some type of relief to close out the complaint. The chart indicates the specific remedy reached between the parties that resulted in the closing of the complaint. The settlement results are listed alphabetically by manufacturer.

The "Other" settlement category is used when the terms of the settlement between the parties are not disclosed to the TxDMV.

	Chart G							
	Settlements by Vehicle Make							
Vehicle Make	Repurchase	Replacement	Trade Assist	Repair	Extended Service Contract	Cash Settlement	Other	Total Settlements
Acura	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Arctic Cat	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
BMW	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	4
Buick	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	2
Cadillac	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	4
Can Am	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Chevrolet	1	0	2	2	1	5	2	13
Chrysler	2	3	0	0	0	2	0	7
Coachmen	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
CrossRoads	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Cruiser RV	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Dodge	17	12	1	1	1	31	1	64
Dutchmen	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1
Fiat	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	6
Ford	5	2	1	4	0	0	0	12
Forest River	0	2	0	1	1	0	2	6
GMC	1	2	0	1	0	2	0	6
Harley-Davidson	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Heartland	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	2
Honda	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Hyundai	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	5
Infiniti	2	0	0	1	0	1	0	4
Jaguar	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
Jeep	10	5	0	0	0	10	1	26
John Deere	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Kia	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	2
Lexus	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	2
Lincoln	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
Mazda	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	2
Mercedes-Benz	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	4
Mitsubishi-Fuso	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Nissan	6	3	0	0	0	2	1	12
Open Range	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Polaris	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2
Subaru	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	2
Thor	0	0	0	1	0	1	1	3
Toyota	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
Volkswagen	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2
Volvo	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
Winnebago	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
Total	56	40	7	21	4	66	19	213

#### **Chart H**

Chart H shows the comparison of the 82 post hearing orders issued after an administrative hearing on the complaint was conducted.

If a complaint is not settled between the parties at the beginning of the case, it proceeds to an administrative hearing where the parties present evidence to support their positions on whether a substantial defect exists in the subject motor vehicle that would warrant the replacement, repurchase, or repair by the manufacturer. After the hearing has concluded, the TxDMV issues a decision and final order. If not timely appealed, it represents a final determination of the TxDMV. The final orders are grouped by manufacturer.

Chart H Post Hearing Orders by Vehicle Make							
Vehicle Make	Repurchase	Replacement	Repair	Dismissal	Total Orders		
BMW	0	0	0	1	1		
Buick	0	0	0	1	1		
Cadillac	1	0	0	2	3		
Chevrolet	1	0	1	7	9		
Chrysler	0	0	0	1	1		
Dodge	0	0	0	6	6		
DRV	0	0	0	1	1		
Ford	6	4	0	13	23		
GMC	0	0	0	1	1		
Heartland	0	0	0	1	1		
Honda	0	0	0	4	4		
Hyundai	0	0	0	1	1		
Jaguar	0	0	0	3	3		
Jeep	0	0	0	4	4		
Keystone	0	0	0	1	1		
Kia	0	0	0	3	3		
Land Rover	0	0	1	0	1		
Lexus	0	0	0	1	1		
Lincoln	0	1	1	1	3		
Mazda	0	0	0	2	2		
Mercedes-Benz	0	0	0	1	1		
Newmar	0	0	1	0	1		
Nissan	0	0	1	3	4		
Polaris	0	0	0	2	2		
Thor	1	0	0	0	1		
Toyota	0	0	0	2	2		
Volkswagen	0	0	0	1	1		
Total	9	5	5	63	82		

#### Chart I

Chart I expands on the 14 vehicles from Chart H that had final orders issued by the TxDMV for repurchase or replacement by the vehicle manufacturer. The vehicles are listed alphabetically by make and model with the replacement/repurchase value noted. The defect noted was the basis for ordering repurchase or replacement of the vehicle.

These vehicles were found to have met the statutory requirements under the Lemon Law for repurchase or replacement. Those requirements are found in Texas Occupations Code §2301.604.

	CHART I VEHICLES ORDERED REPURCHASED OR REPLACED - BY MAKE AND MODEL								
	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	VEHICLE TYPE	DEFECT	PRICE			
1	2013	Cadillac	ATS	Passenger Car	Engine Performance/Emissions	\$31,728.93			
2	2012	Chevrolet	Malibu	Passenger Car	Automatic Transmission	\$19,827.21			
3	2013	Ford	C-Max	Passenger Car	Electrical	\$24,194.66			
4	2013	Ford	Escape	Light Truck	Engine Performance/Emissions	\$32,243.39			
5	2014	Ford	Escape	Light Truck	Electrical	\$32,658.07			
6	2011	Ford	F Series	Light Truck	Engine Performance/Emissions	\$31,922.91			
7	2013	Ford	Fiesta	Passenger Car	Automatic Transmission	\$13,475.89			
8	2014	Ford	Focus	Passenger Car	Engine Performance/Emissions	\$19,743.91			
9	2013	Ford	Focus	Passenger Car	Automatic Transmission	\$22,506.45			
10	2014	Ford	Focus	Passenger Car	Automatic Transmission	\$17,773.22			
11	2014	Ford	Focus	Passenger Car	Automatic Transmission	\$21,058.74			
12	2013	Ford	Fusion	Passenger Car	Body & Trim	\$28,221.67			
13	2013	Lincoln	MKX	Light Truck	Air Conditioning & Heating	\$42,042.03			
14	2013	Thor	Chateau	Motorhome	Body & Trim	\$112,802.25			
Total						\$450,199.33			

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