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VIN Year Chart 1981 to 2040 | Decode Your Vehicle's Year



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Vehicle Identification Number - 10th Digit - Chart by Year (PDF)

The Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) is a crucial serial number used to identify individual vehicles. Each VIN is unique and provides valuable information about a vehicle's origin, including its model year. Deciphering the VIN can be a helpful tool for understanding your vehicle better. In this article, we'll provide a comprehensive VIN year chart to help you quickly determine the model year of your vehicle.

Q: How Many Digits does a VIN Number Have?

A: 17

Q: Which Digit is the Year Digit?

A: Digit #10

Q: Letters excluded from VINs

A: VINs do not include I (i), O (o), Q (q), U, Z

VIN = 4T1BE46K48U202219

10th Digit = 8, Year = 2008

VIN = 5UXWX7C57F0K32463

10th Digit = F, Year = 2015



10th Digit of VIN to Vehicle Model Year Chart

1980 to 2000 Alphabetical

10Th Digit	Model Year
A	1980
B	1981
C	1982
D	1983
E	1984
F	1985
G	1986
H	1987
J	1988
K	1989
L	1990
M	1991
N	1992
P	1993
R	1994
S	1995
T	1996
V	1997
W	1998
X	1999
Y	2000

2001 to 2009 Numerical

10Th Digit	Model Year
1	2001
2	2002
3	2003
4	2004
5	2005
6	2006
7	2007
8	2008
9	2009

2010 to 2030 Alphabetical

10Th Digit	Model Year
A	2010
B	2011
C	2012
D	2013
E	2014
F	2015
G	2016
H	2017
J	2018
K	2019
L	2020
M	2021
N	2022
P	2023
R	2024
S	2025
T	2026
V	2027
W	2028
X	2029
Y	2030

2031 to 2040 Numerical

10Th Digit	Model Year
1	2031
2	2032
3	2033
4	2034
5	2035
6	2036
7	2037
8	2038
9	2039
A	2040

[10th Digit of VIN to Vehicle Model Year Chart \(Excel\)](#)

[10th Digit of VIN to Vehicle Model Year Chart \(pdf\)](#)

10th Digit = A, Year = 1980

VIN-to-Year Chart

The 10th character in a 17-character VIN represents the vehicle's model year. Since 1981, this standardized system has been used for vehicles built in or after that year. However, it's essential to note that before 1981, VIN formats varied by manufacturer and were not standardized.

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Understanding the VIN Format

The Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) is a unique code that consists of letters and numbers, carefully designed to prevent any ambiguity. To avoid confusion, specific characters like I (i), O (o), Q (q), U, and Z (z) are deliberately excluded from VINs. Moreover, the number 0 is not utilized for model year identification. By omitting these characters, the VIN becomes a reliable and precise means of decoding crucial information about a vehicle's origin and model year.

How to Use the VIN Year Chart

Using the VIN year chart is a straightforward process. Locate the 10th digit in your vehicle's VIN and refer to the chart provided below:

Car Model Year: 1980 to 2000 (Alphabetical from A to Y)

A	1980
B	1981
C	1982
D	1983
E	1984
F	1985
G	1986
H	1987
J	1988
K	1989
L	1990

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M	1991
N	1992
P	1993
R	1994
S	1995
T	1996
V	1997
W	1998
X	1999
Y	2000

Car Model Year: 2001 to 2009 (Numerical 1 to 9)

1	2001
2	2002
3	2003
4	2004
5	2005
6	2006
7	2007

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8	2008
9	2009

Car Model Year: 2010 to 2030 (Alphabetical A to Y)

A	2010
B	2011
C	2012
D	2013
E	2014
F	2015
G	2016
H	2017
J	2018
K	2019
L	2020
M	2021
N	2022
P	2023
R	2024

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S	2025
T	2026
V	2027
W	2028
X	2029
Y	2030

Car Model Year: 2031 to 2040 (Numerical 1 to 9)

1	2031
2	2032
3	2033
4	2034
5	2035
6	2036
7	2037
8	2038
9	2039
A	2040

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10Th Digit	Model Year	10Th Digit	Model Year	10Th Digit	Model Year
A	1980	1	2001	N	2022
B	1981	2	2002	P	2023
C	1982	3	2003	R	2024
D	1983	4	2004	S	2025
E	1984	5	2005	T	2026
F	1985	6	2006	V	2027
G	1986	7	2007	W	2028
H	1987	8	2008	X	2029
J	1988	9	2009	Y	2030
K	1989	A	2010	1	2031
L	1990	B	2011	2	2032
M	1991	C	2012	3	2033
N	1992	D	2013	4	2034
P	1993	E	2014	5	2035

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R	1994	F	2015	6	2036
S	1995	G	2016	7	2037
T	1996	H	2017	8	2038
V	1997	J	2018	9	2039
W	1998	K	2019	A	2024
X	1999	L	2020		
Y	2000	M	2021		