



1956 Ford Car Data Plate Codes

SEARIAL NO.

Engine Type

- A Ford I-6 223-cid 137-hp P (or S) Thunderbird Special V-8 312-cid 225-hp *mid model-year*
- U Ford V-8 272-cid 173/176-hp M Special Police Y-8 292-cid 200/202-hp
- M Thunderbird V-8 292-cid 200/202-hp P (Police) Interceptor Y-8 312-cid 210/215-hp

Production Year 3 1953 4 1954 5 1955 6 1956

Assembly Plant

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| A Atlanta, Ga. | E Mahwah, N.J. | L Long Beach, Calif. | R San Jose, Calif. |
| B Buffalo, N.Y. | F Dearborn, Mich. | M Memphis, Tenn. | S Somerville, Mass. |
| C Chester, Pa. | G Chicago, Ill. | N Norfolk, Va. | U Louisville, Ky. |
| D Dallas, Tex. | K Kansas City, Mo. | P Twin City (St. Paul), Minn. | |

Body Style G V T F W C R X Y S

Consecutive Unit Number starting at **100001** for the model-year, each Ford assembly plant assigned a consecutive unit number to each vehicle (of all models) assembled at the plant

Body (Type) 70D 70A 73A 70B 73B 64D 70C 73C 64C 57A 64A 64B 76B
59A 59B 59C 79D 79B 79C 78A

Color (Ext Paint) A B C D E F G H J K L M N S (for special) V W Y Z
AE AK AY CD CE DC DE EA ED EK EN EV EY FG GE GF
HE JE KA KE LE MA ME NE VE VW WE WV YE YA

Trim (Int Color) B C E H J L T V AD AE AJ AN AS AT AV AX AZ BA BB
BC BD BE BF BG BH BJ BL BM BN BR BS BU BV BZ CA

PRODUCTION CODE

Day of the Month 1 to 31, a number for the day of the month the vehicle is *scheduled for assembly*

Month a letter for the month the vehicle is *scheduled for assembly*

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| A January | D April | G July | K October |
| B February | E May | H August | L November |
| C March | F June | J September | M December |

Scheduled Item Number the consecutive number (plant-assigned to body) of the vehicle (of all models) *scheduled for assembly* on the date/day indicated—actual assembly may have been on an adjacent day, therefore, build dates are often stated as “on or about”

NOTE some scheduled item numbers include other nos. and/or letters—undetermined by editor