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## General Information

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Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) Plate Identification

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# VIN Plate Identification

## VIN Plate 1975 - 1980

Decoding AMC Jeep CJ

1 2 3 4+5 6 7 8-13

### 1. MAKE (MANUFACTURERS)

J = JEEP

### 2. MODEL YEAR

5 = 1975

6 = 1976

7 = 1977

8 = 1978

9 = 1979

0 = 1980

### 3. TRANSMISSION

A = Auto

F = 3 speed

M = 4 speed

### 4. + 5. MODEL

83 = CJ-5

84 = CJ-6

93 = CJ-7

### 6. GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING

A = 3750 lbs.

E = 4150 lbs.

### 7. ENGINE

A = 258ci, 1 bbl

C = 258ci, 2 bbl

E = 232ci, 1 bbl

H = 304ci, 1 bbl

### 8. - 13. Sequential Serial Number

## VIN Plate Identification 1981 - 1989

1 2 3 4 5 6 - 7 8 9 10 11 12 thru 17

### 1. COUNTRY

1 = United States

2 = Canada

### 2. BUILT BY

J = Jeep Corp.

B = American Motors (Canada) Inc. Jeep

### 3. TYPE

C = MPV

E = Export, LHD

T = Truck

F = Export, RHO

D = Incomplete Vehicle

### 4. ENGINES

B = 2.1L, Four, Turbo Diesel

N = 5.9L, V-8, 2-B Carb.

E = 2.46L, Four, 1-B Carb.

M = 4.0L, 1-6, MPI

Y = 2.46L, Four, 1-B Carb.

H = 2.46L, Four, TBI

C = 4.2L, Six, 2-B Carb.

### 5. POWERTRAIN

Transmission

Transfer Case

M = 4-Spd. Man. Floor Shift Part Time 4-WD

X/Y = 4-Spd. Man. Floor Shift Part Time 4-WD

S = 4-Spd. Man. Floor Shift1 None 2-WD

F = 5-Spd. Man. Floor Shift Part Time 4-WD

L = 5-Spd. Man. Floor Shift Part Time 4-WD

V = 5-Spd. Man. Floor Shift Part Time 4-WD

W = 5-Spd. Man. Floor Shift None 2-WD

E/Z = 3-Auto. Column Shift Part Time 4-WD

J = 3-Auto. Column Shift Selec-Trac 4-WD

G = 4-Auto. Column Shift None 2-WD

P = 4-Auto. Column Shift Part Time 4-WD

R = 4-Auto. Floor Shift Part Time 4-WD

T = 4-Auto. Floor Shift Selec-Trac 4-WD

U = 4-Auto. Floor Shitt None 2-WD

### 6. - 7. BODY TYPE

15 = Grand Wagoneer (4-Dr. Wagon) 109 W.B.

25 = J-10 Truck (Pickup-6.5') 119 W.B.

26 = J-10 Truck (Pickup-8.0') 131 W.B.

27 = J-20 Truck (Pickup-8.0') 131 W.B.

63 = Comanche 4-WD (Pickup-6') 113 W.B.

64 = Comanche 2-WD (Pickup-6') 113 W.B.

65 = Comanche 4-WD (Pickup-7') 120 W.B.

66 = Comanche 2-WD (Pickup-7') 120 W.B.

73 = Cherokee 2-WD (2-Dr. Wagon) 101 W.B.

74 = Cherokee 2-WD (4-Dr. Wagon) 101 W.B.

75 = Wagoneer 4-WD (4-Dr. Wagon) 101 W.B.

77 = Cherokee 4-WD (2-Dr. Wagon) 101 W.B.

78 = Cherokee 4-WD (4-Dr. Wagon) 101 W.B.

79 = Cherokee 4-WD (4-Dr. Wagon) 101 W.B.

### 6. - 7. BODY TYPE

81 = Wrangler (2-Dr. Open Body) 93.5 W.B.

82 = Wrangler (2-Dr. Open Body) 103.5 W.B.

### 8. GVWR

3001 - 4000 5001 - 6000

J = Wrangler Base F = Comanche Base (MT/ BT)

J = Cherokee Base F = Comanche Custom (MT)

K = Wrangler Sport N = Grand Wagoneer /J-10

K = Cherokee Pioneer R = Comanche Pioneer (MT/BT)

L = Wrangler Laredo U = Comanche Laredo (MT/BT)

L = Cherokee Laredo 6001 - 7000

M = Wrangler Sahara U = Grand Wagoneer

4001 - 5000 U = J-10 Truck

1 = Wrangler Base P = J-20 Truck

1 = Cherokee Base 7001 - 8000

1 = Comanche Base S = J-20 Truck

1 = Wagoneer Base 8001 - 9000

2 = Wrangler Sahara Y = J-20 Truck

2 = Cherokee Pioneer MT = Metric Ton

3 = Wrangler Sport BT = Big Ton

3 = Cherokee Chief

4 = Wrangler Laredo

4 = Cherokee Laredo

4 = Wagoneer Limited

5 = Cherokee E.C.E.

5 = Comanche Eliminator

9 = Cherokee Limited

P = Comanche Pioneer

S = Comanche Chief

T = Comanche Laredo

### 9. CHECK DIGIT

Number or Letter

### 10. MODEL YEAR

B = 1981 E = 1984 H = 1987

C = 1982 F = 1985 J = 1988

D = 1983 G = 1986

### 11. PLANT LOCATION

T = Toledo (Ohio, USA)

B = Brampton (Ontario, Canada)

### 12. thru 17.

Sequential Serial Number

Six Digit Number

## VIN Plate Identification since 1989

1 2 3 4 5 - 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 thru 17

### 1. COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

1 = United States

2 = Canada

W = Germany

### 2. MAKE (MANUFACTURERS)

B = DODGE

C = CHRYSLER

J = JEEP

### 3. VEHICLE TYPE

4 = Multipurpose Passenger Vehicle (MPV)

6 = Incomplete Vehicle

7 = Truck

8 = MPV With Side Air Bags

### 4. GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING

E = 3001 - 4000 lbs.

F = 4001 - 5000 lbs.

G = 5001 - 6000 lbs.

H = 6001 - 7000 lbs.

### 5. VEHICLE LINE (1994-96 Jeep Parts Catalog)

J = Cherokee / Comanche 4WD

N = Briarwood 4WD

T = Cherokee / Comanche 2WD

X = Grand Cherokee 2WD

Y = Wrangler 4WD

Z = Grand Cherokee 4WD

### 6. SERIES (1994-96 Jeep Parts Catalog)

1 = „S“ (E)

2 = Base (Low = L)

3 = Pioneer / Islander (M)

4 = Sahara (High = H)

5 = Renegade / Grand (Premium = P)

6 = Sport (S)

7 = Limited (Box) (X)

1 = S (YJ)

2 = Base (Wrangler / Wrangler Sport)

3 = Pioneer / Islander

4 = Sahara

5 = Laredo (Built Unit for Export = BUX)

6 = Renegade

7 = Briarwood / Limited (BUX)

8 = Sport

5 = Laredo

6 = Sport

7 = Limited

### 6. SERIES (1994-96 Jeep Parts Catalog)

8 = Grand Wagoneer

### 7. BODY STYLE

6 = Truck

7 = 2-Door Sport Utility

8 = 4-Door Sport Utility

9 = Open Body

### 8. ENGINE (1994 - 96 Jeep Parts Catalog)

B = 2.1L 4 cyl. (Turbo Diesel) (ENA)

P = 2.5L 4 cyl. (Gas) Unleaded Fuel (EPE)

S = 4.0L 6 cyl. (Gas) Unleaded Fuel (ERH)

7 = 5.9L 8 cyl. Unleaded Fuel (EQA)

Y = 5.2L 8 cyl. Unleaded Fuel

M = 2.5L Diesel

### 9. CHECK DIGIT

0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, X

It is determined by carrying out a mathematical computation developed by the Department of Transportation (DOT).

### 10. MODEL YEAR

K = 1989 V = 1997 5 = 2005

L = 1990 W = 1998 6 = 2006

M = 1991 X = 1999 7 = 2007

N = 1992 Y = 2000 8 = 2008

P = 1993 1 = 2001 9 = 2009

R = 1994 2 = 2002 A = 2010

S = 1995 3 = 2003

T = 1996 4 = 2004

### 11. ASSEMBLY PLANT

C = Jefferson Assembly (Michigan, USA)

J = Brampton (Ontario, Canada)

L = Toledo # 1 (Ohio, USA)

P = Toledo # 2 (Ohio, USA)

T = Toledo (Ohio, USA)

Y = Steyr (Graz, Austria)

### 12. thru 17. SEQUENCE NO.

Six Digit Number

## VIN

### Vehicle Identification Number

The vehicle identification number consists of a combination of seven-teen letters and numbers. The first six elements identify the model, body type, GVW class, engine, model year and assembly plant.

The last element indicates the plant building sequence. All models will begin with 100001.

The Vehicle Identification Number is located on the Vehicle Identification Plate, Equipment Identification Plate, and the applicable U.S. Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards „Certification Label“ and Frame Rail.

Beginning with 1981 model vehicles, the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) was revised to conform with U.S. Government regulations. The number can be found on an embossed plate mounted on the left-hand side of the instrument panel.

Note:

There are no I's or O's in a VIN, only 1's and 0's. There are no Q's in a VIN. Also, there are no U's in the 10th digit of the VIN - so as not to be confused with V's. There are no A's in the 10th digit, because the A was reserved to represent a 1980 year model, but the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration did not actually mandate the fixed format until 1981, with the B. The A is used in other sequences of the VIN, it's just not used as a 10th digit.

Also, there is no Z in the 10th digit, because after the year 2000, the 10th digit sequence started over from alpha to numeric, and the Z was not used. The last 6 Characters of the VIN are the actual serial number of that particular vehicle, which makes that vehicle unique.

Note:

The first 11 Characters of the vehicle are common to other vehicles with the same: Country of origin, manufacturer, body type - car line - restraint system - engine - and braking system, year of manufacture, and final assembly point, but the last 6 Characters will make that vehicle unique.

(Even in the case of 2 identical vehicles, not only will the 12 to the 17th Characters be different, but the 9th Character Check Digit will also be different).

When you purchase a vehicle, check the VIN yourself against the bill of sale. Remember, the dealer's title clerk has to type those 17 digits, and typo's can occur. Besides the fact that there is never an alpha „O“, „Q“, or „I“ in a VIN. Remember that an „S“ can look like a „5“ when it is written down and transposed.

Most insurance agency's have a reliable VIN check computer program, that will alert the agent to an incorrect VIN, including the 9th digit Check Digit.