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The best new cars in 2018 are outstanding contractors of all around - proven to be reliable, secure and satisfying. This means that they have scored high in our rigorous track tests and extensive owner surveys. They have won our admiration and we recommend them with confidence. After examining our Top Offers, take the survey below to tell us which car you will most often be able to buy. The model must have an exemplary overall score in its category to be the top choice. This single number combines road test performance, reliability, owner satisfaction and safety. A car that has the highest score in all four key measures is truly extraordinary. Road test: This result is based on more than 50 tests and assessments conducted at our Auto Test Center by our experienced staff. Reliability: We predict how new cars are likely to linger based on issues reported by subscribers to more than half a million vehicles (in our latest study). Owner satisfaction: We rate owner satisfaction based on the percentage of owners surveyed who say they will buy the same car again. Safety: All recommended vehicles must perform well in RR accident avoidance tests and also ensure effective passenger protection in state or crash insurance tests (if the vehicle has been tested). Models with standard front collision warning and/or automatic emergency braking receive bonus points. Click on the links below to read the road tests and see the full ratings. And check out our extended-length road testing videos available on the page of each car model. The following are listed vehicles by size class. See the vehicles that have made our list of the most popular in 2020, 2019, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2012, 2011 and 2010. Compact car: Toyota Corolla This practical, fuel-burning sedan has all the virtues of looking for small cars, supported by its strong reliability of its results. Despite its compact proportions, the Corolla has a relatively spacious interior, with a spacious back seat. The processing is secure, and the quality of the ride is cut above for its class. The average-powered hom-hum engine won't excite drivers, but the compromise is a star fuel economy of 32 mpg overall. On our highway track, the Corolla achieved 43 mpg. Also very meaningful: This car is standard equipped with advanced safety features that include forward collision warning, early warning, automatic emergency braking, exit warning lane assistant. Corolla is a smart buyer who won't disappoint you. Price as tested: \$20,652 Read the full Toyota Corolla road test. Compact green car: The Chevrolet Bolt of Thunder proves that electric cars should not apologize for the lack of performance driving. This distinctive hatchback provides acceleration and tight service, plus a 250-mile electric range at a basic price (when tax incentives are taken into account). This clean clean is built around a 60-kWh battery that supports a generous charge, reducing anxiety that you will run out of energy and be blocked. The driver sits high in the Bolt, with a command view on par with a small SUV. Like most electric cars, the Bolt is strikingly quiet, and the noise from the road and wind is minimal. The controls take a little to get used to, and sometimes a vehicle can become shredded. GM has done an impressive feat with Bolt. Price as tested: \$43,155 Read the entire test on the Chevrolet Bolt road. Luxury Compact car: The Audi A4 A4 shines as it is sporty, luxurious and polished in a superstar-populated segment. It is very satisfying to drive, with agile, secure handling using its minimum body roller and responsive steering. The controlled ride is on the hard side, but it turns out to be stable and absorbent. The powerful turbocharged four-cylinder engine accelerates with gusto, proving it's increasingly eager to get away, but doesn't hurt its wallet at the pump. Swipe into the cabin on the A4 and you're greeted by high-quality interiors. The controls have a precise feel and a clean, modern look. The front seats are stable, but the rear seats are tight. The A4 is a sophisticated sedan for discriminating against buyers. It comes with a standard front collision warning and automatic emergency braking at city speed. Price as tested: \$48,890 Read the full test of the Audi A4. Medium car: The Toyota Camry Camry has earned a reputation as a competent, well-surrounded family sedan. With its recently refurbished design, Toyota adds more style and flair and works with akzen. And Toyota has boosted fuel economy to 32 mpg overall with a four-cylinder base that suits its smaller cousin, the Corolla. The hybrid LE version returned an impressive 47 mpg overall in CR tests, almost reaching rare peaks on Prius territory. This Camry offers agile handling, an absorbent ride and a quiet cabin. (SE and XSE allow buyers to add a sporting world at the expense of quiet and comfortable.) Forward collision warnings, automatic emergency braking and lane departure warning are standard, while blind spot detection and rear traffic warning are available. Price as tested: \$26,364-\$28,949 Read the entire test on the Toyota Camry road. Big car: The Chevrolet Impala Impala continues to be a gem among big cars, providing driving that's more akin to a luxury car. The spacious and quiet cabin is well dressed with high quality materials and arranged. The controls are refreshingly intuitive and easy to use, including the feature-rich infotainment system. The spacious, supporting front seats of the seats that suffocate and the rear seats are meticulously proportioned. His smooth journey is truly convex, icing on thrills like a sponge. is commendable, as proven in our manoeuvre to avoid accidents and when colliding with bends on our track. We prefer the V6 engine for its abundant, its, Power. Those in the market would be wise to consider Impala. Exam price: \$39,110 Read the entire test on the road of the Chevrolet Impala. Minivan: Toyota Sienna Minivans are the best solution for moving people and their stuff. In this segment, Sienna offers the best package for everyone. The long list of pros includes a comfortable trip and an energetic power train that returns respectful fuel economy. And those looking for an all-wheel-drive minivan quickly realize that sienna is the only option out there. The cabin is spacious, with comfortable folding seats and available seating for eight. The interior is well furnished, with the best versions, dressed with exquisite materials and decorative accents. Modern versions of the best Limited offer second-row seating, complete with foot pads. Its strong reliability of experience and plenty of standard advanced safety features make Sienna a smart choice. Price as tested: \$38,424 Read the full test on the Toyota Sienna Road. Compact SUV: Subaru Forester It's a practical, intelligent packaged small SUV that wins fuel economy, room, visibility and reliability over modernity or flash. It's easy to get in and out, there's plenty of room for passengers, and it moves well. The standard 2.5-litre engine delivers only decent performance but offers exceptional fuel efficiency. And the available four-cylinder turbochargers make Forester a much more sporty machine. All-wheel drive is standard and provides stubborn traction for all weather conditions. The ride is comfortable and the steering is responsive. Basic safety features, such as a front collision warning and automatic emergency braking, are available in most of the decorative elements, with subaru's EyeSight package. Forester is a wise choice that makes a pleasant travel companion, whether traveling or traveling. Price as tested: \$27,145 Read the full Subaru Forester road test. Luxury compact SUV: BMW X3 redesigned for 2018, The X3 is at its highest in class. This luxurious compact SUV combines driving pleasure, comfort, slick technology and utility in an attractive package. Its power is smooth and almost immediate when you press the accelerator pedal, even with the base turbo four-cylinder engine. (Drivers can join the 355-horse speed M40i for really exciting performance.) Sharp, sporty driving encourages drivers to look for curved roads. Hard suspension makes you feel safe and confident, and the X3 does a good job of soaking in bumps and bumps. As it's extremely quiet, richly oran and offers support seats and an easy-to-use infotainment system, the X3 is sure to delight those looking for a luxury SUV that's polished and fun to drive. Price Tested: \$53,745 Read the entire BMW X3 road test. Medium SUV: Toyota Highlander three rows of SUVs have become a vehicle of choice for many families. They provide traction and Without looking like a minivan. Highlander stands out in this crowd with its good performance, fuel economy, and reliability. It takes advantage of the size of Goldilocks: large enough to accommodate eight passengers, but small enough for relatively easy parking. The hangers-on ride well, and his work is secure. The latest news has improved fuel economy and power, adding to Highlander's appeal. And advanced safety features are now standard within the line. In general, Highlander is a rational choice that will appeal to the majority of buyers looking for a well-rounded, high-function three-row SUV. Price as tested: \$41,169-\$50,875 Read the entire test on the Toyota Highlander road. Full pickup truck: The Ford F-150 America's best-selling car is an impressive, innovative workhorse. The F-150 got in the way of packaging thanks to its weight-loss design and turbocharged six-cylinder engine. This strategy delivers an incredible 19 mpg overall, fast acceleration and effortless towing capability from the powerful 2.7-litre turbo V6 engine. Smart features abound from the Sync 3 infotainment system to Pro-trailer Backup Assist, which simplifies the otherwise difficult task of backing up while towing a trailer. The crew cabin has a spacious back seat and a spacious room for tools and facilities. After all, the F-150 won't offer as smooth riding as a car or SUV, but it's an excellent truck. Price as tested: \$52,535 Read the full Ford F-150 road test. Editor's note: This article also appears in the April 2018 issue of Consumer Reports Magazine.