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Generation 5

The **fifth-generation Chevrolet Camaro** is a pony car produced by Chevrolet. [6] It is the fifth distinct generation of the Camaro to be produced since its original introduction in 1967. Production of the new Camaro began on March 16, 2009^[7] after several years on hiatus since the previous generation's production ended in 2002 and went on sale to the public in April 2009 for the 2010 model year. [8][9]

Development

Rumor

After the Camaro's dismissal in 2002, an article posted in July 2004 on Hot Rod Network rumored that Camaro would return in 2007, including the closure and economics of the Ste. Therese Assembly which both the fourth-generation Camaro and the Pontiac Firebird were assembled. It stated that GM was working on a RWD, four passenger capacity, sporty car with a 5.3L V8 engine. The vehicle was said to underpin the Zeta chassis which was being developed by GM's Australian division, Holden.^[10]

Planning & Testing

By spring 2005, the first concept car of the fifth-generation Camaro was in development. Several sketches of both exterior and interior were drawn to resemble of how the car was going to look, these sketches were shown months later to the public. Once sketches were finished, the Camaro was constructed as a clay model which was complete by autumn 2005 then shown to the public in early 2006.

After the release of the prototypes, GM started constructing several camouflaged test mules of the Camaro by Holden costing about \$250,000 each. These vehicles were used for crash testing, test driving, and to handle extreme weather conditions such as in Canada, Arizona, and Australia itself. By January 2008, GM announced that the test mules will not be camouflaged[11] and that same year, various images of the Camaro were released including pre-production models.

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Pre-production concept vehicles

Chevrolet Camaro Concept (2006)



Chevrolet Camaro Concept

The Chevrolet Camaro Concept was designed by South Korean-born designer Sangyup Lee. [12][13][14][15] The car was based on the Holden developed GM Zeta platform. It includes a 6.0-L LS-2 engine rated at 400-horsepower with active fuel management, a T56 6-speed manual transmission, front and rear suspension featuring progressive-rate springs and gaspressurized dampers, four-wheel vented disc brakes with 14-inch rotors, 21-inch front and 22-inch rear five-spoke cast alloy wheels, and 275/30R21 front and 305/30R22 rear tires. The wheelbase is 110.5 in (281 cm), which is 9 in (23 cm) longer than the previous generation, but an overall length of just 186.2 in (473 cm), 7 in (18 cm) shorter. The concept was inspired by the 1969 Camaro.

The vehicle was unveiled at the 2006 North American International Auto Show.[16][17][18][19]

AutoWeek editors unanimously awarded the Camaro Concept "Best In Show."

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2007 Camaro Convertible Concept



2007 Camaro Convertible Concept

The **2007 Camaro Convertible Concept** was announced January 6, 2007 at the 2007 North American International Auto Show. Early speculation on the existence of the vehicle by many automotive publications [20][21][22] proved to be true when an early embargo was broken on January 4, 2007. [23][24]

At a glance it would seem that the only difference between the coupe and convertible concepts would be the roof and Hugger Orange pearl tri-coat paint job with a pair of dark gray racing stripes, but this was not the case. Besides the obvious convertible top, there were subtle changes to the exterior as well. Every surface was changed from the door-cut back. The rear fenderlines dropped off from the horizontal surface to the vertical surface a couple of inches farther out than on the coupe to maintain visual proportions. The rear spoiler was also reshaped. The 21 in (53 cm) front and 22 in (56 cm) rear wheels were redesigned and a thin orange line was applied to the outer edge, a nod to redwalls available circa 1969.

There were many interior changes that were incorporated into the new concept. The retro houndstooth-pattern seats of the coupe were replaced with modern leather and orange stitching. The metal finishes, accent panels, and seats were all different colors. The rear seats were 6 in (15 cm) closer together to make room for the tonneau cover. The clarity of the circular gauges in square frames were improved by making the faces white with black chrome numbers and a red anodized needle. The deep-dish three-spoke steering wheel and four-pack gauge cluster carried over from the coupe concept. Chrome seat-belt buckles were designed to look like the iconic belts buckles in late 1960s GM cars. This reworked interior of the Camaro Convertible Concept was a very close representation of what would be seen in the production version of the vehicle.

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2008 SEMA concepts



Camaro Black Concept introduced at the 2008 SEMA show

General Motors showed several concept variants of the production Camaro on November 3, 2008 at the 2008 SEMA show. [26][27]

Camaro LS7

Inspired by the COPO Camaros of the late 1960s, the Camaro LS7 Concept was built from the 2010 Camaro SS with the LS3 engine replaced with a GM Performance Parts LS7 crate motor producing around 550 bhp (410 kW). There heritage of COPO's performance history was reflected with the inclusion of a high-performance exhaust and improved headers, air intake system, and camshaft—all developed by GM Performance Parts. Other modifications included a Tremec six-speed manual transmission, Brembo brakes, Hurst short-throw shifter, 20-inch custom wheels, and a lowered ride height. The exterior of the car was finished in Victory Red with accents of matte black on the "LS7" badges, front grille slot, rear headlight panel, and hood. The LS7 logo was repeated in Victory Red on top of the hood cowl. The interior had a matching the color scheme with red panel trim on the doors, dash, and gages. Gloss black replaced every trim that came in silver in the final production Camaros, such as on the steering wheel, shifter knob, vent trimmings, and center console clusters.

Dale Earnhardt Jr. Camaro

The Camaro Dale Earnhardt Jr. Concept was produced with input from NASCAR Race driver Dale Earnhardt Jr. The Camaro started in SS trim and was tuned to run on higher-octane E85. It featured a gray and white paint scheme with orange trim. Additional features included 21 in (533 mm) five-spoke wheels, a dovetail spoiler, alternate grille, and other official GM accessory modifications.

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2010 Chevrolet Camaro GS Racecar Concept

The **Camaro GS Racecar Concept** design was inspired by Mark Donohue's blue-and-yellow Trans Am Series Camaro. It features a carbon fiber hood, trunk lid, doors and fenders to keep weight down and is powered by an LS3 V8 mated to a Tremec TR-6060 six-speed manual transmission. Additional racing modifications included a 3 in (76 mm) exhaust with Coast Fab mufflers, C&R racing aluminum radiator, and coolers for the engine oil, transmission, and differential. It was designed for use in the KONI Challenge Series.^[28]

The concept vehicle went on sale by Mecum Auctions during the 2013 Monterey Car Week. [29][30][31]

Camaro Black

The **Camaro Black Concept** featured a matte black hood, tinted glass, HID headlamps with red "halo rings," a darker grille, dark-tinted taillight lenses, and 21 in (533 mm) wheels with a darker finish. The interior was blacked out. It was powered by the 304 bhp (227 kW) 3.6 L (220 cu in) V6.

2010 model year

As evidence that we're not completely brain-dead, GM will build the Chevy Camaro.

—Rick Wagoner, General Motors CEO[32]

On August 10, 2006, GM Chairman and CEO Rick Wagoner announced that GM would build an all-new version of the Chevrolet Camaro based on the award-winning concept that debuted at the 2006 Detroit auto show in January 2006. The all-new Camaro was originally scheduled to begin production in 2008 and to go on sale in the first quarter of 2009 for the 2009 model year, [6][33][34] but General Motors stated in March 2008 that production would be delayed until February 2009 with the Camaro going on sale in the spring of 2009 for the 2010 model year. [8][9]

Chevrolet General Manager Ed Peper said the new Camaro "will appeal to both men and women, and unite customers with fond memories of previous Camaros with those who first experienced a Camaro" when the concept was unveiled in January. [35] Bob Lutz's post on the *GM FastLane Blog* for August 10, 2006 thanked everyone in the blogosphere who commented and offered feedback on the Camaro. [36]

Following the development of the Zeta architecture and because of its position as the GM global center of RWD development, GM Holden in Australia led the final design,

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engineering, and development of the Camaro. Original plans for the car included sharing the chassis with the Chevrolet Impala, which was to have switched to the Zeta platform. However, a 2007 energy law drastically changing the Corporate Average Fuel Economy forced GM to scuttle plans for replacing the W-Body Impala with the Zeta-based Impala. However, the new Camaro will be produced at the Oshawa Car Assembly manufacturing plant in Canada. 750 jobs would have been lost at the Oshawa manufacturing plant which had been originally scheduled to be closed in 2008; some of these jobs were saved due to the new Camaro's production. This new product program and conversion of the Oshawa plant to a state of the art flexible manufacturing facility represented a US\$740,000,000 investment.

Camaro (2009-2015)

It was made available as a coupe in five different trim levels; the LS, 1LT, 2LT, 1SS, and 2SS. The LS and LT trim levels are powered by the 3.6 L (3,564 cc or 217 cu in) GM LLT V6 producing 312 hp (233 kW) at 6,400 rpm and 273 lbf·ft (370 N·m) at 5,200 rpm. The SS with manual transmission is powered by the 6.2 L (6,162 cc or 376 cu in) GM LS3 V8 producing 426 hp (318 kW) at 5,900 rpm and 420 lbf·ft (569 N·m) at 4,600 rpm while the SS with automatic transmission is powered by a new variant of the LS3 called the GM L99 which produces 400 hp (298 kW) at 5,900 rpm and 410 lbf·ft (556 N·m) at 4,300 rpm. This new L99 V8, not to be confused with the earlier LT-series L99, uses Active Fuel Management which enables the engine to run on only four cylinders during light-load driving conditions, such as highway cruising, to improve fuel economy.

Other features include a fully independent four-wheel suspension system, variable-rate power steering, four-wheel disc brake systems standard on all models (four-piston Brembo calipers on SS models), a StabiliTrak electronic stability/traction control system, Competitive/Sport modes for the stability system offered on SS models, launch control on SS models equipped with the six-speed manual transmission, and 6 standard air bags that include head curtain side-impact air bags and front seat-mounted thorax side air bags. An RS appearance package is available on LT and SS trim levels which include HID headlamps with integrated halo rings, spoiler, and RS-specific taillamps and wheels. Rally and hockey stripe packages were made available in several colors as well.

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Transformers Special Edition



A 2010 SS Camaro with the Transformers Special Edition appearance package taken in 2011.

On July 22, 2009, GM announced a **Transformers Special Edition** appearance package for the 2010 Camaro at the 2009 San Diego Comic-Con. The US\$995 appearance package (RPO code: CTH) could be applied to LT and SS Camaros with or without the optional RS package and could only be applied to orders made in the Rally Yellow exterior scheme. The package includes an Autobot shield badge on the driver and passenger side fenders underneath the Camaro nameplate, Autobot shield on each of the four wheel's center cap, Autobot shield embroidered on interior center console, Transformers logo on driver and passenger doors' sill plates replacing the original "Camaro" labeled plates, and high-gloss black center rally stripes with the Transformers ghost logo embedded. This then made the 2010 Camaro resemble the Bumblebee Camaro from the 2007 movie, often referred to as T1 Bumblebee. Production of the add-on package ceased on January 12, 2010 with an estimated 1,500 units to produce straight from Order Workbenches. 1911 1,916 units were finally produced at the end of 2010.

Japan models went on sale on 2010-02. [53][54]

2009 SEMA concepts

Jay Leno Camaro

GM built Jay Leno his own Camaro, [155][156] the **Jay Leno Camaro** is powered by the 3.6 L (220 cu in) direct-injected V6 similar to the unit that resides in stock LS and LT models, but has an additional pair of Turbonetics T-3 turbochargers which produces 425 hp (317 kW) with the help of a custom air-to-air intercooler that feeds 7 pounds of boost into the engine. The extra performance is added with virtually no penalty in fuel economy. Besides the power upgrades, the vehicle also gets an upgraded Centerforce clutch and pressure plate for the six-speed manual transmission, an upgraded Be-Cool radiator, Brembo 6-piston brake package, a Pedders coil-over lowering kit, and a bodykit that includes a new rear diffuser as well as a revised front fascia and hood with additional venting for brakes and engine. This Camaro concept has yet to be announced for any type of production release, but its design is being used for the Bumblebee representation in the new Transformers 3 movie set which was released in the summer of 2011.

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Synergy Camaro

The **Synergy Concept Camaro** was one of two concepts that showcased GM accessories that could be applied to the Camaro, previewing a new Synergy Green production exterior color^[57] which featured the latest in Camaro appearance accessories offered through Chevy dealers in 2009 demonstrated the personalization possibilities that are open to Camaro owners. The Synergy Concept included Cyber Grey rally hood and rear deck stripes, new ground effects kit consisting of new rear diffuser, a front spoiler, a new rear bumper with integrated exhaust system and a rear high wing spoiler that was to have been available at the time of reveal. All accessories that were displayed on the concept Camaro were finished in the production Cyber Grey exterior color. The concept vehicle also included 21 in (530 mm) wheels with a black center finish and polished rim. The concept was further enhanced with a Pedders coil-over lowering kit and a set of large Brembo brakes. The interior is color-coordinated with Jet Black and Synergy Green accent stitching, piping, interior tim kit and green ambient lighting that run along the door panels and speedometers. The production version of the concept Camaro, the Synergy Special Edition, would eventually be made available in February 2010 through May 2010 in limited numbers. [58]

Japan models went on sale in February 2010 through May 2010. [59]

Chroma Camaro

The Camaro Chroma Concept is based on an LS3 SS/RS model in Summit White and uses a combination of accessory components that showcased future GM accessories for the Camaro which would become available during the 2011 run of the car. [60] The Chroma concept was the preliminary design of what would become later known as the "Synergy Series Camaro" that would debut at the 2010 SEMA Show. The accessories package included a new silver stripe package, 21 in (530 mm) wheels with silver-painted spoke centers with a Victory Red stripe painted along the edge of the wheel, "Blade" rear spoiler, color-matching ground effects package, rear fender vent graphics, and "Heritage" front grill with body-color outer frame. The interior comes with black and gray leather seats which feature red accent stitching that is also applied to the steering wheel and shifter boot that is surrounding a Hurst short-throw shifter as well as an interior trim kit painted in Silver Ice that incorporates the door panels and dash trim. Though the car is a looker it's not to be misunderstood as a show car, performance wise it's incorporated with a combination of General Motor Performance Parts off-road shorty headers, Pedders' suspension kit, off-road exhaust and Brembo Calipers painted in Victory Red.

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Camaro Dusk

The Camaro Dusk Concept offers a contemporary tuner aesthetic featuring an aggressive look, a lowered ride height, 21 in (530 mm) BBS wheels, the rear spoiler from an SS model and a custom ground effects package. The ground effects package includes a front splitter, rocker extensions, and a rear diffuser. The car is painted in Berlin Blue while the ground effects are painted a contrasting color. GM added a new exhaust system and Brembo brakes from a Camaro SS. The interior is trimmed in Jet Black and Sedona. Other interior features including footwell lighting and premium door sill plates. The concept also features advanced technology and premium audio options such as a Boston Acoustics sound system, WiFi connectivity, and cradle for an iPhone.

Chevrolet launched a graphics campaign in October 2009 asking Camaro enthusiasts to vote for their favorite design from several accessory graphics packages. The top four designs were produced and brought to the SEMA Show. The **Camaro Graphics Concept** were those designs in different days. [62] When the convention ends, another round of voting will be conducted and the winner will be considered for future production. Brent Dewar, vice president of Chevrolet, said that Camaro has thousands of fans on the social media sites and that this is one way for the company to stay connected to its customers.

Synergy Special Edition

On January 14, 2010, GM announced the production version of the Synergy Concept Camaro originally shown at the 2009 SEMA show. The Synergy Special Edition (RPO code: GHS) for the 2010 model year is based on the Camaro 1LT/2LT model and features the limited Synergy Green exterior color scheme. [58] Though the edition is from the SEMA concept there are certain accessories that did not come on the production unit such as the high wing spoiler, 21 in (530 mm) Black painted wheels and ground effects kit. The production units came accented by Cyber Grey Rally Stripes running the length of the Camaro hood and rear deck. Other exterior features include a standard rear spoiler found on RS and SS packages replacing the high wing and standard 19 in (480 mm) Sterling Silver painted wheels wrapped with P245/50R19 tires. The color scheme is carried over on the interior with a Synergy Green instrument panel and door inserts. Synergy Green stitching also accents the Jet Black cloth seats, steering wheel, shift knob, and center console. Other standard features include the Convenience and Connectivity Package which offers Bluetooth phone connectivity, a USB port for MP3 players, and remote vehicle start for models equipped with an automatic transmission. Though this edition of the Camaro has certain accessories that come available with the RS package, the RS package itself was not available to purchase with the Synergy Camaro order. The Synergy Special Edition was available in limited production from February 2010 to May 2010.

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2010 Indianapolis 500 Pace Car Special Edition (RPO Z4Z)



Camaro Indianapolis 500 Pace Car Special Edition

In April 2010 General Motors and the Indianapolis Motors Speedway announced limited production of the Pace Car that was introduced to pace the 2010 Indianapolis 500. The Indianapolis 500 Pace Car replica is based on the 2010 Camaro 2SS Automatic 400 hp 6.2L V8 model with RS package which includes the Inferno Orange exterior paint scheme with White Diamond rally stripes that run from front to the rear of the entire body of the car. The event and organization logos of the Indianapolis 500 Speedway are decaled on both driver and passenger doors with special badging placed underneath both front quarter panels of the Camaro nameplate. Special event stitching of the 2010 event replaces the "SS" stitching on the headrests of the front interior seating, with special premium accented floor mats and Inferno Orange accented interior trim kit. The front grille is replaced with the heritage grille that was made available as an aftermarket accessory from GM, with the addition of an Inferno Orange trimmed engine cover. Production was limited to 294 units, the majority of which were produced in automatics and a few had manual transmissions (Mostly Canadian). Out of the 294 units, 50 were sent to the Indianapolis 500 event (Festival cars) which could be seen during Pole Day prior to the event with each darning a license plate reflecting its number from 1-50. 45 other units were sent to Canada and 199 were sent to the 186 top Camaro selling dealerships based upon retail sales in the United States.

Production of the 2010 Camaro Z4Z began half-way through the 2010 production year. The production of the 2010 Camaro was temporarily halted in April 2010 when all 294 of the Z4Z models were produced. After the 294 Z4Z Camaros were produced, production of the standard models resumed.

The 2010 Camaro 2SS Indy 500 Pace Car (Z4Z) is the second lowest production number Camaro pace car has been made available for public purchase since its debut at the Indianapolis 500 in 1967. [63]

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SLP Performance ZL550/ZL575 Special Edition

The SLP Performance ZL550 and ZL575 are limited production versions of the 2010 Chevrolet Camaro SS from SLP Performance. The ZL550 would have a supercharger attached to the 6.2L V8 boosting power from 426 to 550 bhp. The 550 hp variant was mated to the 6-speed automatic. It would also include 20" 5-spoke red line machined spoke face with ZL center caps. A decal on the rear tail light in flat black. Heritage style SS badges on the front grill and rear panel, three ZL550 or ZL575 OEM-styled exterior badges, ZL550 or ZL575 logo embroidered in the headrests and floor mats. It also included a 1-250 numbered plaque on the dashboard and numbered key fobs. It also sported a cold air induction system and an axle-back exhaust system with unique tips. A tweaked suspension lowered the front 1" and 0.8" in the rear. The hood of the car utilizes an RTM hood with a functional heat extractor. The ZL575 used the same 6.2L V8 upgraded with the ZL550's supercharger to produce 575 hp. The ZL575 came mated to the 6-speed manual transmission found in the normal Camaro but was tweaked to be able to handle the increased power. An option for the ZL575 was the 6-speed manual transmission would be installed with the clutch off of a Corvette ZR1 for sportier gear changes. Also, an option for the ZL550's transmission was being equipped with a 3:45 gear ratio. Brembo brakes were also an option. Sales began at Chevy dealers in mid-2010.

Styling Special (2010-)

The Camaro Styling Special is a version of the 2010 Camaro LT RS and SS RS for the Japan market. It features a rally stripe, front grille, door sill plate (standard on SS RS).

The vehicles went on sale in 2010-09.[64]

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Motorsports

Stevenson Motorsports have entered two Camaros in the Continental Challenge Gran Sport class. [65] They entered one Camaro in the 2009 race at Virginia International Raceway. [66] It was driven by Jeff Bucknum and David Donohue, sons of Ronnie Bucknum and Mark Donohue. Ronnie and Mark were the drivers of the original Trans Am Camaro. John Stevenson confirmed during the Montreal round of the 2009 Rolex Sports Car Series season that Pratt & Miller are working on GT Camaros to replace the Pontiac GXP.R. [67] Stevenson Motorsports will be entering Camaros in the 2010 Rolex Sports Car Series season. [68] The drivers will be Andrew Davis, Robin Liddell, and Jan Magnussen for the #57 machine and Mike Borkowski and Gunter Schaldach for the #97 machine.

TC Motorsports have entered two Camaros in the Continental Challenge for the 2010 season. [69] Also entered is the aforementioned Sunoco Camaro, which debuted in the final round of the 2009 season.

NASCAR uses the Camaro in one of its three national touring series, the Xfinity Series. Drivers who race the Chevrolet SS in the sport's top level, the Sprint Cup Series, also drive the Camaro in the Xfinity Series, including Dale Earnhardt Jr. The Xfinity Series also uses the Ford Mustang and Toyota Camry.

Production

Assembly of the fifth generation Camaro took place in Canada like the fourth generation Camaro before it. Production, however, was shifted from Sainte-Thérèse, Quebec to Oshawa, Ontario.

Chevrolet started taking pre-orders for the 2010 Camaro on October 13, 2008, however sales to rentals and orders made after the pre-order period, were processed before many of the pre-orders. By the end of 2008, General Motors confirmed more than 10,000 advanced orders^[70] and that all pre-orders would be completed by October 2009.^[71] Camaro sales began in April 2009.

On January 17, 2009, the first production fifth-generation Camaro (VIN #100001) was auctioned at the 2009 Barrett-Jackson Collector Car Auction in an American Heart Association charity lot. [72] The vehicle was purchased by Hendrick Motor Sports CEO Rick Hendrick for US\$350,000. [73]

By late June 2009, Chevrolet dealers were reporting that Camaro sales were exceeding availability, with prices running about US\$5,000 above the MSRP. It was suggested that this may be influenced by the prominent presence of the vehicle in the Transformers movie sequel that was released worldwide through the month.^[74]

General Motors sold 61,648 Camaros in the 2009 calendar year. [75] Sales of the Camaro did not start until April 2009.

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Marketing

A 2010 Camaro was shown while the main character was driving in the NBC series *My Own Worst Enemy*, which premiered on October 13, 2008, as part of a marketing arrangement between GM and NBC.^{[76][77]}



Interior

As part of the 2010 Camaro launch in Japan, a special GM-made T-shirt was made available between 2009-07-09 and 2009-08-31.[78]

As part of the 2010 Camaro launch in Japan, a promotion movie for Camaro was premiered in Altavision Ginza between 2009-11-01 and 2009-11-08.[79]

As part of the 2011 Camaro launch in Japan, new members joining Hooters Tokyo between 2010-10-25 and 2010-11-30 could win a 2010 Chevrolet Camaro LT RS.[80]

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2011 model year

Camaro coupe (2010-)



Camaro SS coupe

For the 2011 model year, the Camaro V6 engine was certified at 312 hp (233 kW) and 278 lb·ft (377 N·m), an increase of 8 hp (6.0 kW) and 5 lb·ft (6.8 N·m) from 2010. No engineering changes were made for the increase as GM claimed the 304 hp (227 kW) in the 2010 Camaro was a conservative rating. [81]

The Synergy Green color from the 2010 Special Edition would be available on all 2011 model trim levels. A head-up display (HUD) with most of the instrument panel's information would be offered. The HUD is a modified version of the Chevrolet Corvette's display. The main difference is that the Corvette's is able to display lateral g-forces, while the Camaro's can not.

The vehicle was unveiled in golf courses in Tokyo, Yokohama, Nagoya, Osaka. [82]

Japan models include LT RS and SS RS with 6-speed automatic transmission, choice of 9 body colours (including new Red Jewel), and went on sale in 2010-09.[83]

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Camaro SSX (2010)[edit]



Chevrolet Camaro SSX

The Camaro SSX concept car is a version of the street Camaro SS converted into a closed-course track car, built to showcase new performance parts. The vehicle was constructed with input from Pratt and Miller, Chevrolet partner in Corvette Racing, and Riley Technologies using parts proven in the Grand Am racing series.

It includes low-gloss Icy White Metallic body color with red accents and door graphics, carbon fiber hood, fenders, door and deck lid; exposed carbon fiber front splitter, rockers and adjustable rear wing; unique lower grille and brake ducts, removal of carpeting, sound deadener and rear seat; Ace suede-covered racing steering wheel and shifter, SCCA-approved roll cage and window net, racing driver's seat with five-point harness, racing pedals, fire suppression system, fuel cell, video camera system mounted on the roll cage, LS3 6.2L V-8 enhanced with Chevrolet Performance Parts' camshaft, cylinder heads and dry-sump oiling system; production six-speed manual transmission with Corvette ZR1 twin-disc clutch, low-restriction air induction and exhaust systems, 4-wheel disc racing brake system with six-piston front/four-piston rear calipers and drilled and slotted rotors, modified production suspension with Pfadt licensed components^[84] and 20-inch racing wheels and tires.

The vehicle was unveiled at the 2010 SEMA show. [85][86]

The car received two awards at SEMA: The SEMA Award: Hottest Car and the Gran Turismo Award: Best Domestic.

Neiman Marcus Edition

On October 19, 2010 at 12pm EDT, orders of the **Neiman Marcus Edition Camaro Convertible** were opened through Neiman Marcus and sold out within three minutes becoming one of quickest-selling special edition vehicles that General Motors has put out in the market. A total of 100 units were produced and sold at a MSRP of \$75,000 which owners received delivery of in early 2011. The NM Camaro was built under both the 1SS and 2SS models providing with the 6.2L V8 engine in both options of either manual or automatic transmissions with the equal fuel efficiency and horsepower of the 2011 Camaros.

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Accessories that separated this edition from the rest were noticeably that of the exclusive tricoat exterior paint called "Deep Bourdeaux" with ghosted rally stripes spanning across the hood to the rear deck along with a separate "Silver" painted windshield surround. A twotoned interior leather trim also separated the special edition from the rest with basic black leather with "Amber" interior accents on the front and rear seats as well as on the armrests all with accented "Brilliant Red" stitching on the aforementioned including the center console, steering wheel, and shift knob. A black interior trim kit placed upon the doors panels and dash which replaced the standard "Midnight Silver" that came in standard 2LT and 2SS models. 21" five spoke wheels that were not yet released to the general public for separate purchasing until late 2011 were placed wrapped with Pirelli P-Zero tires that also contained a Brilliant Red strip flowing along the outer edge of the wheel to follow that stitching in the interior. This edition of the Camaro was the only batch of units that were to follow trimming keys of that from the 2007 Camaro Convertible Concept with the Silver painted Window surround, interior leather trim placements, and wide spoke wheels. No Camaro Convertible produced from the factory ever provided a different color windshield surround other than the produced body color.

Convertible (2011-2015)



Chevrolet Camaro SS convertible

Production of the 2011 Camaro Convertible began on January 31, 2011 in Oshawa, Ontario, where the coupe is currently assembled. [88] It arrived in dealerships in February, and is available in both base and SS versions like the coupe.

US models include a choice of V6 and V8 (SS) engines, Tremec TR-6060 6-speed manual or Hydra-Matic 6L50 6-speed automatic transmission, and went on sale in 2011-02. [89][90]

Japan models include a choice of four base (silver ice metallic, black, victory red, summit white) and two premium (rally yellow, inferno orange metallic) body colours. They went on sale in 2011-07-15.[91]

2011 Synergy Series

From concept to reality, the 2011 **Synergy Series Camaro** first made its debut at the 2009 SEMA event as a concept under the tag of Camaro Chroma. This concept was to display a combination of various parts from the Chevrolet Camaro's accessories catalog of both current and conceptual pieces to provide a different appearance from the other Camaro models. In 2010, the car would pop its face again however under a different exterior paint scheme of

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"Cyber Gray Metallic" and new nameplate of Synergy Series. It was made known that the Synergy car being shown at the 2010 SEMA event was not just going to be a concept but that it would be made available to the general public to purchase for the 2011 year model run. On May 5, 2011 orders were open to those who desired to purchase the appearance package on top of the price of either a 2LT or 2SS in either a coupe or convertible plus purchase of the RS package was required. Only the exterior colors of Victory Red, Summit White or Black could be made with purchase. [92] Upon ordering the Synergy Series Camaro people had the option to choose between two different packages:

Level One (RPO: AJA): Red interior stitching on gray leather-appointed interior seats, center console, steering wheel, shifter boot and knob, and armrests on the doors. Switchblade Silver interior trim kit on dash and door panels with accented red light piping in door trim, footwells, and cup holders. Body colored ground effects, Heritage grille, Blade spoiler, and antenna. Red engine cover and red colored Brembo brake calipers. Premium floor mats with red edging and Silver stripe Yenko enspired decals on hood, mailslot, rear deck, and side gills. The MSRP for this option package level was US\$4,995 additional with purchase of either 2LT or 2SS model both with order of a RS package. [92]

Level Two (RPO: AJB): All Content from Level One package with the addition of dealer-installed 21" wide five spoke wheels with "Blade Silver" inserts and "Red Flange" stripe along the edge of wheels. The MSRP for this option package level was US\$9,995 additional with purchase of either 2LT or 2SS model both with order of a RS package. [92]

Only 500 units of this package incorporated into the Camaros were to be produced for the 2011 model year run, however only 400 were actually ordered. [93] The name Synergy was decided by Chevrolet to be not only known for the green color of the first run of special edition Camaros in 2010 but to be a yearly special edition Camaro offered by Chevrolet for their determination to release at least two special edition Camaros every year. So the word "Series" was added to reflect the editions as an annual special edition.

XM Accessory Appearance Package

The XM Accessory Appearance Package (RPO: ABN) was introduced at the 2010 SEMA event providing an option that would differentiate the 1LT model from the rest as special editions were being offered towards the SS models. Ordering of the appearance package began on February 17, 2011 until the end of the 2011 model and were only limited to the following exterior colors of Black, Cyber Gray Metallic, and Imperial Blue Metallic. Integrated with the purchase of the XM Accessory Appearance Package were front body colored Heritage Grille, 21-inch diameter 5-spoke polished aluminum wheels, Silver strip running along the side of the Camaro following the contours of the shoulders to the front with pinstriping, premium capeted floor mats, rear spoiler without the need to purchase an RS (RPO: WRS) package and a 12-month free trial subscription to XM Satellite Radio.

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Production

Production of the 2011 Camaro began on 2010-06-07. [94]

Marketing

As part of the 2011 Camaro launch in Japan, a Camaro 2-DAY campaign took place between 2010-07-01 and 2010-09-30, featuring a 2-day test drive chosen by raffle from Chevrolet dealers. [95]

After the 2010 version incarnation of *Hawaii Five-0* was picked up by CBS for broadcast, starting with the second episode (September 27, 2010), a Chevrolet product placement deal includes a Camaro RS used by Danny Williams (Scott Caan) used for the first three seasons, with a 2014 Camaro replacing it for Season 4. [96] A second Camaro (an SS variant), in yellow, is used by Max Bergman (Masi Oka), starting in the second season.



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2012 model year update

Camaro, RS, 45th Anniversary Special Edition

Camaro 45th Anniversary Edition coupe



Camaro 45th Anniversary Edition convertible

Changes to the 2012 Chevrolet Camaro include the introduction of the 323 horsepower 3.6L direct injection V-6 LFX engine replacing the outgoing V6 engine models, a new FE4 suspension package for SS coupe (retuned front and rear dampers, new solid front (23 mm) and rear (24 mm) stabilizer bars, 20-inch aluminum wheels with P245/45R20 front and P275/40R20 rear tires (from the SS)), a revised instrument panel appearance (new instrument graphics and trim), a new steering wheel design with improved ergonomics, a power lift feature for the front passenger seat, a new Rear Vision Package (a rearview camera system and an auto-dimming mirror to the existing Rear Park Assist feature), a new rear spoiler as standard, taillamps from RS appearance package option becomes standard for all vehicles. Crystal Red Tintcoat replaces Red Jewel as an exterior color.

Changes to the RS package include a new, body-color 'sharkfin' antenna.

The 45th Anniversary Special Edition is based on 2LT and 2SS for both coupe and convertible body styles, with unique rally stripe in red and silver at hood and deck, Carbon Flash Metallic body colour, badges located beneath the front fender emblems, new-design 20-inch wheels in dark silver, fog lamp and taillamp bezels finished in dark silver, RS-style taillamp lenses, standard rear spoiler and HID headlamps, body-color roof molding, Jet Black interior with leather-trimmed seats featuring the 45th Anniversary logo, white instrument panel and door trim inserts with the 45th Anniversary logo on the instrument panel, red, white and blue stitching on the seats, steering wheel, shift knob/boot, door armrests and console lid; 45th Anniversary logo on the steering wheel and sill plates.

45th Anniversary Special Edition was unveiled in Camaro5 Fest II in Arizona. [97]

Japan models went on sale in 2012-01-20. Early models included coupe (LT RS, SS RS), convertible, 45th Anniversary Special Edition. [98][99]

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2011 SEMA concepts (2011)

The COPO Camaro Concept is a factory-built Stock Eliminator race car and the spiritual successor to the legendary special-order models from 1969, with provisions for two engine configurations (7.0L LS7 or 5.3L LS9), provisions for 3 transmission types (Powerglide two-speed automatic, 3-speed automatic, 5-speed manual), high-rise cowl-induction hood, custom Aeromotive fuel system with a fuel cell and integral high-pressure fuel pump, full chromoly roll cage, coil-over front suspension with Strange Engineering adjustable struts, custom rear suspension based on NHRA requirements (Strange Engineering shocks, Panhard bar and stabilizer bar), Strange Engineering S-9 solid rear axle (aluminum third member, 35-spline spool, 35-spline axles and 4.10 gear set), COPO-specific racing wheels, 29x9-inch rear radial racing slicks and 4.5x28x15-inch front tires, manual steering system, Strange Engineering lightweight racing brakes system with standard line lock, removal of sound deadening and power accessories, 2 racing bucket seats (and no rear seat), a safety harness for the driver, a competition floor shifter, Chevrolet Performance gauges by Auto Meter. [100][101]

The Camaro Hot Wheels Concept is a concept vehicle based on the Camaro SS coupe with a Tremec TR-6060 six-speed manual transmission, inspired by the "Custom Camaro" 1/64scale model that was part of the original Hot Wheels collection released in 1968. It was designed by General Motors' Design studio in Michigan and the Hot Wheels Design studio in California. Changes include Over Chrome Green body colour (created using Gold Touch Inc.'s Cosmichrome product) with ghosted Hot Wheels logo on the quarter panels, Satin black ground effects (splitter, rocker and rear fascia-side extensions), Satin black wheels with milled face and Torch Red stripe: 20x10-inch (front) and 20x11-inch (rear), ZL1 grille with Hot Wheels badging, Hot Wheels badge on the decklid, Euro-style taillamps with new inner smoked lens, Euro-style rear fascia with new diffuser and exhaust bezels, ZL1 rear spoiler, Chevrolet Accessories Modified Satin Black Stripe, black aluminum "CAMARO" fender badges with milled face, black aluminum hood insert with milled hood vent extractors, Chevrolet Accessories Synergy Series gill decals, Black leather-wrapped IP and door inserts with Torch Red accents, and cut-and-sew flames; Hot Wheels sill plates, Hot Wheels cutand-sew embroidered logos in the front seatbacks, Chevrolet Accessories pedal kit, Chevrolet Accessories footwell and cup holder lighting (red), Brembo brakes: six-piston front with twopiece rotors and four-piston calipers (Chevrolet Official Licensed Product), suspension lowering kit by Pedders (Chevrolet Official Licensed Product), Chevrolet Accessories strut tower brace, Chevrolet Accessories black engine cover, Chevrolet Accessories exhaust system.[102][103]

The Camaro Red Zone Concept is a version of the 2012 Camaro designed by Adam Barry. It features a black convertible tonneau cover, Chevrolet Accessories 21x8.5-inch silver/polished-face wheels, silver heritage stripe, Chevrolet Accessories body-color grille and convertible wind screen, suspension lowering kit by Pedders (Chevrolet Official Licensed Product), concept polished strut tower brace, concept "RS" underhood liner, Titanium leather interior with Silver Ice accents, Black soft instrument panel insert, Chevrolet

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Accessories Silver Ice door and instrument panel inserts, Chevrolet Accessories floor mats with silver "CAMARO" logos.

The Camaro Synergy Series Concept is a version of the Camaro with Silver Ice body color with black Synergy stripes on the hood, with decklid and "mail slot" decals with red line inserts; Synergy gill decals and no SS or RS exterior badges, Chevrolet Accessories body-color ground effects and grille, Chevrolet Accessories 21-inch wheels in black with red stripe, Suspension lowering kit by Pedders (Chevrolet Official Licensed Product), red Brembo brake calipers, Chevrolet Accessories red engine cover, Concept "SS" underhood liner, Concept polished strut tower brace, Chevrolet Accessories floor mats (ebony with red and "CAMARO" logo in silver), Chevrolet Accessories lighting kit (displayed in red), Hurst short-throw shifter, Black leather interior with red accent stitching on seats, console, doors, steering wheel and shifter boot; Silver Ice instrument panel and door inserts, Black leather instrument panel soft insert with red stitching, SS logo with red outline on the head restraints, Chevrolet Accessories pedal kit.

The Camaro 1LE Concept is a version of the Camaro featuring production components from both the Camaro SS and the (then forthcoming) Camaro ZL1, with Victory Red body color, flat black hood and hash mark extensions, satin black splitter, rocker panels, rear spoiler and outside mirrors; sport suspension featuring Magnetic Ride Control, electric power steering, six-speed manual close-ratio transmission, 20x10-inch (front) and 20x11-inch (rear) racing wheels (in satin black), Goodyear Eagle F1 Supercar G asymmetrical tires (from the ZL1), Brembo six-piston front calipers with two-piece front rotors and four-piston rear calipers (Chevrolet Official Licensed Product), dual exhaust outlets with ZL1-style active exhaust and diffuser, shock tower brace, Chevrolet Accessories red engine cover, Black leather interior with Light Stone stitching, Graphite Silver door and instrument panel inserts, ZL1 shifter with Light Stone stitching, ZL1 flat-bottom steering wheel, Chevrolet Accessories pedal kit.

Camaro ZL1 Carbon Concept is a version of Camaro ZL1 with Ashen Gray body colour, Chevrolet Accessories exposed-weave carbon fiber "Mohawk" hood insert, Carbon fiber rear spoiler with stainless-steel wicker bill, Carbon fiber inserts on the interior door and instrument panel, 20x10-inch (front) and 20x11-inch (rear) wheels in satin black with machined faces, Brembo six-piston front calipers with two-piece front rotors and four-piston rear calipers (Chevrolet Official Licensed Product), Magnetic Ride Control, dual exhaust outlets with active exhaust and diffuser, Jet Black leather interior with sueded microfiber seat inserts and Torch Red stitching, ZL1 short-throw shifter with suede and carbon fiber-trimmed shift knob, Suede-trimmed flat-bottom steering wheel, ZL1 pedals.

The vehicles were unveiled in 2011 SEMA Show. [104][105][106]

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ZL1 (2012-2015)



2012 Chevrolet Camaro ZL1



2013 Chevrolet Camaro ZL1 Convertible

Chevrolet introduced a new Camaro model, the ZL1, at the 2011 Chicago Auto Show.

There are numerous differences between the ZL1 and the normal V6 and SS models. More than 30 percent of the Camaro SS was re-engineered for the Camaro ZL1.

The car features a 6,162 cc (6.2 L; 376.0 cu in) LSA V8 engine with a 1.9 L (120 cu in) supercharger that at 7 psi (0.48 bar) SAE-is rated at 580 bhp (588 PS; 433 kW) at 6000 rpm and 556 lb·ft (754 N·m) at 4200 rpm of torque. Power is delivered to the rear wheels by either a six-speed manual TR-6060 or 6L90 automatic transmission. The manual has a stronger output shaft, a more robust rear housing and an additional mainshaft roller bearing to provide 30-percent more torque capacity than the automatic transmission used in the Camaro SS. To improve shift quality, there are triple synchros in some gears and a revised linkage. A new dual-mass flywheel is bolted to a high-capacity twin-disc clutch. The automatic has additional clutch plates, a strengthened output shaft and is programmed with three operating modes (Drive/Sport/Manual).^[107]

The ZL1's power is complemented by exclusive performance technologies, including the third generation of Magnetic ride suspension and Performance Traction Management. Brembo brake calipers with six pistons per wheel in front and four pistons per wheel in back handle stopping. A duct system delivers air from the grille to the hard-working rotors. The 20-inch forged-aluminum wheels are fitted with second-generation Goodyear Eagle F1

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Supercar radials (285/35ZR-20 in front, 305/35ZR-20 in back). Damping is provided by Magnetic Ride Control units similar to those that Cadillac and Corvette have long used. This system can sense the need for a damping correction 1000 times per second and make that change in only five milliseconds. The Performance Traction Management (PTM) system was originally engineered for the Corvette ZR1. In addition to modulating engine torque for optimum launch performance in manual-equipped ZL1s, PTM also varies the traction control and suspension damping as needed. The five available modes are for wet, dry, sport with or without stability control and race-driving conditions. [107]

Additional track-ready features standard on the Camaro ZL1 include coolers for the engine, transmission and rear differential, cooling ducts for the Brembo brakes, and a high-performance fuel system delivers fuel to the LSA engine under any performance-driving condition. The ZL1's rear axle includes a high-capacity cast-iron-case differential, massive asymmetrical half shafts, and extra-heavy-duty universal joints. To keep the lubricant temperature in line, there's an oil-to-oil heat exchanger built into the bottom of the differential. Transmission fluid circulates through that heat exchanger and through the radiator to drop operating temps by more than 100 °F (38 °C). In addition, the engine is fitted with the same oil-to-coolant heat exchanger used in the Corvette ZR1. The ZL1 has a deeper oil pan, a longer pickup, and a higher-capacity pump than the SS. [107][108]

The ZL1 can sprint from 0 to 60 mph (97 km/h) in 3.8 seconds and do the $\frac{1}{4}$ mile (402 m) in 11.94 seconds at 116 mph (187 km/h). [109]

2012 Camaro 2LS (2012)

The Camaro 2LS was manufactured by GM in 2012. Designed for a better fuel economy using a slightly different gear ratio, this vehicle resembles the trim of the original LS. It is available in both manual transmission, as well as the option for a 6-speed automatic with shift knobs on each opposite side of the steering wheel. One downside about the 2LS is that it does not contain the option for "Sports Mode". Instead of sports mode, the vehicle goes into Electronic Range Select (2LS). This allows the driver to choose the highest gear that the transmission will shift into. While the 2012 2LS still able to achieve rear slip limited differential with the press and hold down of a button. There is very little that this car is lacking. Fortunately there are many unique colors the 2LS is available in throughout the United States. This information can help a buyer as they will be able to choose exactly what kind of vehicle they want to purchase. Also, certain dealers will not provide this information as they may not be aware themselves.

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2012 COPO Camaro (2012-2013)

The 2012 COPO Camaro (P/N 20129562) is a limited production (69 units) version of the Camaro factory drag-racing cars designed for NHRA Stock Eliminator and Super Stock classes. It has a Powerglide automatic transmission with a choice of 3 engines (an LS7 7.0L V8, an LSX 5.3L V8 with a 2.9L supercharger or a LSX 5.3L V8 with a 4.0L Whipple supercharger). It also has a choice of 5 body colors (Flat Black, Summit White, Victory Red, Silver Ice Metallic and Ashen Gray Metallic), a solid rear axle, a full chrome moly roll cage, removal of sound deadening and power accessories, 2 racing bucket seats (no rear seat), a safety harness for the driver, a competition floor shifter, Chevrolet Performance gauges, Bogart racing wheels and Hoosier Racing Tires.

COPO graphics package includes color from the concept vehicle, but in Metallic White, Semi-Gloss Black, Inferno Orange Metallic and Chevy Racing Blue.

Collector's Package includes all three COPO racing engines serial-number-matched to the car, with one installed at the time of delivery.

The vehicles went on sale via a confirmation letter to registered buyer. Delivery began at the General Motors Performance Build Center in Wixom, Michigan, starting at summer 2012.[110][111]

2012 COPO Camaro Convertible (2012–2013)

The COPO Camaro Convertible is a limited production (2 units) version of the 2012 COPO Camaro from the final 2012 COPO Camaro units. It features a supercharged LSX 5.3L V8 engine with a 4.0L Whipple supercharger that produces 550 hp as well as a black (#68) or Inferno Orange Metallic (#69) body colour with additional custom graphics and special interior trim and a Turbo 400 three-speed automatic transmission (#69).

Car number 69 was unveiled at the 2012 SEMA show.

Car number 68 was kept at GM Heritage Center. Car number 69 went on sale at the 2013 Barrett-Jackson Scottsdale Auction in an American Heart Association charity lot. [112][113][114]

Motorsports

In the fall of 2011, a ZL1 was clocked doing a flying lap of the Nürburgring in 7:41.27, placing it in the same class as much more expensive cars like the Porsche 911 Turbo S, Lamborghini Murciélago LP640, and the Mercedes-Benz SLS AMG.[115]

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Production

There were 1,971 ZL1's produced for the initial 2012 model year. 99 were officially allocated for Canada. The rarest being in the Imperial Blue color, (GAP paint code) of which there are reported to be only 4 produced. 2 with the advanced automatic transmission, & 2 with the 6 speed standard.

Engines for 2012 COPO Camaro engine were assembled at Performance Build Center in Wixom, Michigan.

2012 COPO Camaro were built by hand starting with hardware from the Oshawa assembly plant, including the same "body in white" body shells racers can purchase from Chevrolet Performance.

A 2012 COPO Camaro engine was built by Hendrick Motorsports owner and Hendrick Automotive Group chairman Rick Hendrick.^[116]

Among the 69 2012 COPO Camaros produced, 67 were coupes and 2 were convertibles, 43 cars were equipped with the 427 naturally aspirated engine (including the original proof of concept show car that debuted at the 2011 SEMA Show), 20 cars were equipped with the 327 / 4.0L-supercharged engine, 6 cars were equipped with the 327 / 2.9L-supercharged engine, 8 customers ordered the collector's package, 32 cars were painted Summit White (including the original show car), 20 cars were painted Black, 12 cars were painted Victory Red, 2 cars were painted Ashen Grey Metallic, 2 cars were painted Silver Ice Metallic, 1 car was painted Inferno Orange Metallic, 12 cars were ordered without COPO graphics. [113]

The final 2012 COPO Camaro Convertible was sold at the 2013 Barrett-Jackson Scottsdale Auction for US\$400,000.[117][118]

Marketing

Hot Wheels produced a collector's edition 1:64-scale model car based on the Camaro Hot Wheels Concept.[103]

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2013 model year update

Production Numbers

- 1LT 25,051
- 2LT 20,142
- 1SS 18,602
- 2SS 14.772
- Camaro, RS, 1LE

Changes to the 2013 model year Camaro include:[119]

- 1LE performance package
- Chevrolet MyLink and color-touch navigation
- Hill start assist now standard on all manual transmissions
- ZL1-style shift knob standard on all manual transmissions
- Remote vehicle start now included on 1LT and 1SS with automatic transmission
- Blue Ray Metallic exterior color
- Frameless inside rearview mirror
- New 18-inch and 20-inch wheel designs
- Mojave leather interior trim

The 1LE package is offered on 1SS and 2SS coupe models, with an exclusive Tremec TR-6060/MM6 6-speed manual transmission with a standard air-to-liquid cooling system, 3.91 geared limited slip differential, exclusive monotube rear dampers, 27-mm solid front stabilizer bar, 28-mm solid rear stabilizer bar, higher-capacity rear-axle half shafts, strut tower brace, ZL1-based 20 x 10-inch front and 20 x 11-inch aluminum wheels, 285/35ZR20 Goodyear Eagle Supercar G:2 tires front and rear (identical to the front tires for ZL1), ZL1 wheel bearings, toe links and rear shock mounts; ZL1 high-capacity fuel pump and additional fuel pickups, matte black hood, black front splitter and rear spoiler, 10-spoke ZL1-based wheels; ZL1's flat-bottom steering wheel trimmed in sueded microfiber, short-throw shifter from the ZL1 trimmed in sueded microfiber.

The RS package (available for LT and SS models) adds 20-inch wheel, body-color roof moldings and antenna, high-intensity discharge headlamps.

Changes to the SS models includes standard variable-effort electric power steering, optional Recaro bucket seats, optional dual-mode exhaust system on manual transmission-equipped models. Both features were introduced on the Camaro ZL1.

Exterior colors include Summit White, Black, Crystal Red Tintcoat, Victory Red, Rally Yellow, Inferno Orange Metallic, Ashen Grey Metallic and Blue Ray Metallic. The convertible top color choices include black and beige.

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The Camaro made 426 horsepower when equipped with the 6 speed manual transmission, whereas the 6 speed automatic made 400 horsepower.

NASCAR Nationwide Series car

The NASCAR Nationwide Series Camaro coupe incorporated the unique power-bulge hood and deep recessed grille from the production Camaro. In addition, the design incorporates the distinctive halo light rings and dual-port grille appearances, and the gold bowtie.[120]

The vehicle was unveiled in 2012 NASCAR Nationwide Series Practice at Indianapolis Motor Speedway.[121]

2012 SEMA concepts (2012)

Tony Stewart's Camaro ZL1 is a version of the Camaro ZL1 coupe designed in association with Chevrolet Design Manager Dave Ross. It features a custom gray metallic body colour accented with tribal and Smoke graphics in flat red and silver pinstripes, tinted headlamp lenses with red halo lighting, custom wheels with a Piano Black finish and red accents, Jet Black leather seats with suede inserts and scarlet accent stitching, embroidered Tony Stewart signatures on the seats, suede leather door panel inserts and instrument panel wrapping with laser-etched details, Jet Black leather door armrests with French stitching and white piping, Jet Black suede leather-wrapped steering wheel with scarlet accent stitching, Piano Black trim plates and a custom gauge cluster bezel.^[122]

The Camaro ZL1 Touring Convertible concept is a Camaro ZL1 convertible with green exterior color, 10-spoke Chevrolet Accessories wheels with liquid metal finish and milled faces, windshield header frame, taillamp bezels and exterior badges with liquid metal finish; matte black splitter and rockers, matte black upper fascia blackout, polished shock tower brace under the hood, ebony leather seats with Mojave perforated leather inserts and light Mojave stitching, Mojave leather-wrapped armrests, leather shift knob and console lid with Mojave stitching, Chevrolet Accessories Ice Blue interior lighting kit, ZL1-logo premium floor mats and sill plates. [123]

The Camaro Performance V-8 concept is a black Camaro SS with Chevrolet Performance ZL1 rear differential kit, 5.1-ratio short-throw shifter, shock tower brace with white Camaro graphic, Camaro 1LE suspension kit, Camaro ZL1 brake conversion kit, concept dual-mode exhaust system, Camaro ZL1 rockers and rear lower diffuser, Camaro Dusk front splitter, upper front fascia blackout graphic, hood and decklid graphics in red metallic, Chevrolet Accessories black blade rear spoiler, heritage grille and 'gill' graphics, Chevrolet Accessories 20x10-inch (front) and 20x11-inch (rear) five-spoke black wheels with polished 'fangs', Camaro ZL1 black suede seat inserts with Jet Black leather seats; Torch Red stitching and carbon fiber-material bolsters, red suede stripe on the driver's seatback, Camaro ZL1 flat-bottom steering wheel with carbon fiber material, Camaro ZL1 suede shift knob with 5.1 badge, leather carbon fiber-material-wrapped instrument panel and door inserts, suede-

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wrapped soft instrument panel insert, Chevrolet Accessories lighting package, pedal covers and Camaro-logo premium floor mats; Concept Chevrolet Performance embroidered console lid and sill plates, production RS gauge package.[124]

The Camaro Performance V-6 concept includes a 323-horsepower LFX V-6 engine, ZL1 Brake Conversion Kit, Camaro 1LE suspension kit, rear differential from the Camaro 1LE, Summit White body colour, Chevrolet Performance shock tower brace, Camaro ZL1 dual-mode exhaust system and rear diffuser, Camaro convertible rear spoiler in matte black, Chevrolet Accessories heritage grille painted matte black, Camaro Dusk front splitter in matte black, upper front fascia blackout graphic, matte black hood wrap with exposed Summit White stripe, Chevrolet Accessories 20x10-inch (front) and 20x11-inch (rear) 10-spoke black wheels with milled faces, Summit White door panel and instrument panel inserts, Chevrolet Accessories lighting package, pedal covers and Camaro-logo premium floor mats; Concept Chevrolet Performance embroidered console lid and sill plates, Concept Chevrolet Performance logo on the instrument panel insert, Production RS gauge package. [125]

The vehicles were unveiled at the 2012 SEMA show.[126]

The Camaro SS 1LE package became available under the 2013 Chevrolet Performance Catalog. [127]

Giovanna Edition (2013)

The Camaro Giovanna Edition is a version of the Camaro LT RS and SS RS for the Japanese market. It was created by the owner of the Cadillac/Chevrolet dealership in Tokyo's Kunitachi suburb, with further input from noted Japanese journalist Tatsuya Kushima. It included a choice of 4 body colors (Silver Ice Metallic, Black, Rally Yellow (optional), Summit White), body stripe (original GT decal), fuel door with Giovanna Edition Logo, front SS or RS emblem, rear Chevrolet bow tie decal, Giovanna Edition Logos on the head rests and door sill plates and Giovanna Wheel 20-inch aluminium wheels (2013 model) by WTW Corp.

The vehicle was unveiled at the 2013 Tokyo Auto Salon, and went on sale until 2013-03-31.[128][129]

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2013 "Turbo" Camaro Coupe (2013)

The "Turbo" Camaro Coupe is a concept vehicle based on Camaro coupe and inspired by the DreamWorks Turbo movie snail. It included lower rockers and fender flares in a wide body design configuration, a front splitter and rear diffuser, a GT concept rear wing spoiler, custom front and rear LED lighting with multicolor halo effect for the front headlamps, black body colour with a vinyl chrome wrap dark tinted to look like black chrome, 24x10-inch front wheels with a front wheel and custom offset, 24x15-inch rear wheels, a supercharged 700+ HP V8 engine with automatic transmission, a custom created intake assembly for supercharger housing, 2x2 5-inch diameter rear exhaust outlets, custom COPO hood

assembly, low profile hood pin system, front suspension with custom adjustable coilover strut assemblies and rear suspension with custom adjustable rear springs and shock assemblies.^[130]

The vehicle was unveiled at the 2013 Chicago Auto Show.[131]

2013 Camaro Hot Wheels Special Edition



Hot Wheels special edition in Mexico

The Camaro Hot Wheels Special Edition is a version of the Camaro available in coupe and convertible body styles, with a choice of 2LT (V-6) and 2SS (V-8) trims with ZL1 appearance. Changes include:

- ZL1 rear spoiler (coupe models)
- ZL1 front upper grille
- Ground effects package, including front splitter and rocker treatment
- Black 21-inch wheels with red outline stripe
- Two-tone matte hood graphic and rear taillight panel "blackout" graphic
- Fender "flame" graphics
- Hot Wheels grille and decklid logos. Dragon flames.

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- Black leather-trimmed interior with red and black seat stitching with the Hot Wheels logo embroidered on the front seats.
- Black instrument panel and door inserts
- Hot Wheels-style flame decal on each rear quarter panel
- Hot Wheels Edition sill plates
- Camaro logo premium floor mats with red edging

SS models includes L99 (automatic transmission) or LS3 (manual transmission) engine. LT-based models include LFX 3.6L V-6 engine.



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HotWheels		Special	Edition	Final	Production	Numbers
Model			edition	Trans		Count
1ES37	2SS	COUPE	HWS	MYC	AUTO SS	559
1ES37	2SS	COUPE	HWS	M10	MANUAL SS	354
1EF37	2LT	COUPE	HWS	MYB	AUTO V6	263
1ES67	2SS	CONVERT	HWS	MYC	AUTO SS	203
1ES67	2SS	CONVERT	HWS	M10	MANUAL SS	57
1EF67	2LT	CONVERT	HWS	MYB	AUTO V6	46
1EF37	2LT	COUPE	HWS	MV5	MANUAL V6	34
1EF67	2LT	CONVERT	HWS	MV5	MANUAL V6	8
						1524

[132]

The vehicle was unveiled at the 2012 SEMA Show,^[133] followed by the 2013 Indianapolis 500.^[134]

Production began in the first quarter of 2013, and ordering began on 2012-10-29.[135][136][137][138]

Japan models went on sale in limited quantities (10 units), which included Kinetic Blue Metallic body colour, black 20-inch wheels, HOT WHEELS decal stripe, exclusive rear spoiler, front leather seats with HOT WHEELS embroidering, engine cover in black, premium floor mat, LFX V-6 engine. [139][140]

2013 COPO Camaro (2013-)

The 2013 COPO Camaro is a limited production (69 units) version of the Camaro factory drag-racing cars designed for NHRA Stock Eliminator classes, with a new manual or Powerglide automatic transmission and a choice of 3 engines (a 350-cubic-inch engine rated at 325 hp (242 kW), a 396-cubic-inch engine rated at 375 hp (280 kW) or a 427-cubic-inch engine rated at 425 hp (317 kW)). It also features a fuel-injection system, engine management from a Holley HP EFI electronic control unit with self-tuning fuel table strategies and data logging, Holley Hi-Ram intake manifold, rear axle gearing optimized for each vehicle depending on the engine and transmission, a 'heritage' grille and standard-production (non-HID) headlamps, new exterior graphics choices with engine-size call-outs, revised interior package with custom carpet and new switch panel, dedicated racing wiring harness, and revised front springs that enhance performance, transmission cooler integrated with radiator, choice of 5 body colors (Black, Summit White, Victory Red, Silver Ice Metallic and Ashen Gray Metallic), NHRA-approved roll cage and other safety equipment, racing chassis and suspension components (including a unique solid rear axle system in place of a regular-

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production Camaro's independent rear axle), lightweight Bogart racing wheels, Hoosier Racing Tires and a sequenced build serial number matched to the engine. The car is sold without a Vehicle identification number (VIN) though, and thus cannot be registered for highway use.

Engine Collector's Package includes all three COPO racing engines serial-number-matched to the car, with one installed at the time of delivery.

The vehicles went on sale by signing up on the COPO Camaro Mailing List at chevroletperformance.com by 2013-03-07, with randomly chosen buyers identified by 2013-03-11. Production began in April 2013, with deliveries starting in early summer. Customers must take delivery of the car in the Detroit area, where the COPO Camaros are built.[141][142]

Motorsports

The Camaro coupe started racing in the NASCAR Nationwide Series beginning in the 2013 season.[143][144]

Production

The 2013 COPO Camaro #041 was built by Richard Rawlings of Gas Monkey Garage and Dennis Collins of Collins Bros. Jeep at the Wixom plant. The vehicle was sold for \$137,500.00 (includes buyers commission) at 2013 Barrett-Jackson Reno auction. [145][146][147] The production of the vehicle was featured in Fast N' Loud. [148]

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2014 facelift



2015 Chevrolet Camaro V6 convertible



2015 Chevrolet Camaro coupe

Changes to the Camaro for the 2014 model year include a redesigned front and rear end, resulting in a wider, lower, more contemporary appearance, and a front fascia featuring a wider lower opening as well as a narrower upper opening that also updates the appearance of the iconic "halo ring" HID headlamps on the Camaro RS package. Other additions include a functional hood vent on the Camaro SS and optional Recaro seats with microfiber suede inserts for the SS and ZL1 packages. The Head-Up Display and Driver Information Center are also now in color for the 2LT, 2SS and ZL1 models.^[149]

Camaro Z/28

The Camaro Z/28 is a version of the Camaro SS with a full aerodynamic package designed to produce downforce at track speeds. The package includes a large splitter connected to an underbody panel, fender flares over the front and rear wheels, extended rocker panels, redesigned rear spoiler and a functional diffuser. Other changes include interior trim in mattemetallic Octane finish, a flat-bottomed steering wheel, standard Recaro seats with microfiber suede inserts and manual adjustment, elimination of the seat-back pass through, high-density foam in place of the rigid structure of the seat back and steel mesh of the seat bottom, a 7.0L LS7 V8 engine co-developed with Corvette Racing, racing-style cold-air induction system with large K&N air filter, standard dual mode exhaust system with larger-diameter pipes, Tremec TR-6060 6-speed manual transmission, limited-slip differential with a helical gear set, 19-inch diameter wheels with Pirelli P Zero Trofeo R 305/30ZR19 tires, Multimatic

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DSSV spool valve dampers, [150] Brembo Carbon Ceramic Matrix brake discs (394 x 36 mm front and 390 x 32 mm), monoblock calipers (6-piston front, 4-piston rear), elimination of tire inflating kit (except for units sold in Rhode Island and New Hampshire), removed interior sound deadener and carpeting from the trunk, replaced the standard LN4 battery with LN3 battery, replaced standard 3.5 mm glass with thinner 3.2 mm glass for the rear window, removal of HID headlamps and foglights, removal of air conditioning (available as a standalone option). [151]

The vehicles were unveiled at the 2013 New York Auto Show (in coupe form), [152] followed by the 2013 Frankfurt Motor Show (in convertible and coupe form).

US models of the 2014 Camaro arrived at Chevrolet dealers later in 2013. The Camaro Z/28 was expected to appear at track events across the United States in spring 2014. [153]

European Camaro convertible and coupe included new MyLink connected radio, and were set to arrive at Chevrolet dealerships at the end of 2013.[154]

The Z/28 has a 0–60 mph (0–97 km/h) time of 4.0 seconds and a top speed of 172 mph (277 km/h). [155] Z/28 won *Motor Trend*'s 2014 Best Driver's Car Award, beating the Alfa Romeo 4C, BMW i8, BMW M4, Nissan GT-R Nismo and five other cars.

Equipment

All models except for the **1LS,2LS** and **Z/28** feature Chevrolet's MyLink System, featuring an AM FM car radio with full touch screen LCD display, XM Satellite Radio, app compatibility, including support for Pandora Internet Radio through a compatible Android smartphone or iPhone. A CD player is not offered in uplevel models. The Camaro models equipped with Chevrolet's MyLink radios feature a MicroSD card slot, and GPS navigation system is also an option for all uplevel Camaro models.

The **1LS** and **2LS** models feature an A/M F/M car radio with XM Satellite Radio, and a single-disc CD player.

All Camaro models feature OnStar with OnStar Remote Link, and all Camaro models also feature a remote USB and iPod or iPhone port, a 3.5-millimeter auxiliary input jack, a steering wheel with remote audio system and Bluetooth and OnStar hands-free controls, as well as Bluetooth with A2DP Stereo Streaming for music. The audio system in basic Camaro models is a six-speaker system, while a 368-watt amplified Boston Acoustics sound system with eight (convertible) or nine (coupe) premium speakers and subwoofer (only on coupe models) is also available, and standard on uplevel Camaro models.

Both the **1LS** and **2LS** Camaro models get the **1LT** standard eighteen-inch alloy wheels, replacing the previously available eighteen-inch Heritage steel wheels on these models. All Camaro models receive new tire and wheel combinations.

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The seats are redesigned in all Camaro models to further imitate that of classic Camaros, and the 1LS, 2LS, 1LT, and 1SS models feature a striped pattern.

Marketing

Takara Tomy produced a self-transforming Camaro coupe under the Transformers Omnibot line, produced in association with Kenji Ishida of Brave Robotics. The toy was unveiled at the Tokyo Toy Show in 2013.[156][157]

2015 model year update

For the 2015 model year, the Camaro saw only one major change in the exterior color choices, with the addition of Blue Velvet Metallic. All other features were carried over from the 2014 model year.

Sales

Year Sales 2009 61,648^[158] 2010 81,299^[159] 2011 88,249^[159] 2012 84,391^[160] 2013 80,567^[161] 2014 86,297^[162] 2015 77,502^[163]

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Awards and recognition

- Official vehicle of the 2008, 2010, and 2011 SEMA show.[164]
- Vehicles that will redefine the auto industry in the next year, Detroit Free Press[165]
- Official Pace Car of the 2009 Daytona 500^[166]
- Official Pace Car of the Texas Motor Speedway April 2010 O'Reilly 300
- Official Pace Car of the 2011 Daytona 500^[167]
- Official Pace Car of the 2009 Indianapolis 500^{[168][169]}
- Official Pace Car of the 2010 Indianapolis 500^[170]
- Official Pace Car of the 2011 Indianapolis 500^{[168][169]}
- Official Pace Car of the 2011 Samsung Mobile 500[171]
- Official Pace Car of the 2009 Dickies 500^[172]
- Official Pace Car of the 2009 Coke Zero 400^[173]
- Official Pace Car of the 2010 Coke Zero 400^[174]
- 2010 All Star, Automobile Magazine^[175]
- 2010 Best Resale Value: Sports Car, Kiplinger[176]
- 2010 Best Resale Value Award, Kelly Blue Book[177]
- Top 20 Most-Researched New Vehicles of 2009, Kelly Blue Book^[178]
- World Car Design of the Year, 2010, World Car of the Year Awards[179]
- 2010 Interior of the Year (sports car), Ward's[180]
- Best Buy, Consumers Digest[181]
- 2010 Drivers' Choice, *Motor Trend*^[181]
- Internet Car and Truck of the Year^[181]
- 2010 Launch Breakthrough Award, Edmunds [182]

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