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## SUBARU EARNS 2025 IIHS *TOP SAFETY PICK+* AWARD FOR 2026 FORESTER

- The 2026 Subaru Forester earned top honors with the IIHS *TOP SAFETY PICK+* award
- For 2025, IIHS instituted higher standards for updated moderate overlap front crash testing
- Subaru received two *TOP SAFETY PICK+* and two *TOP SAFETY PICK* awards overall from IIHS in 2025
- As of December 2025, Subaru has received 75 IIHS *TOP SAFETY PICK+* awards since 2013<sup>j</sup>

Camden, N.J., Jan 7, 2026 - Subaru of America, Inc. announced today its 2026 Subaru Forester earned the IIHS *TOP SAFETY PICK+* award following the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety's latest round of vehicle ratings. The rating applies to all trim levels of the Subaru Forester, including the Subaru Forester Hybrid, now marking Subaru Forester's 10th IIHS *TOP SAFETY PICK+* award.

### 2025 *TOP SAFETY PICK+* Winners

- 2026 Subaru Forester
- 2025 Subaru Solterra (TSP+ for three consecutive years)

### 2025 *TOP SAFETY PICK* Winners

- 2025 Subaru Ascent (TSP for seven consecutive years)
- 2025 Subaru Forester excluding Wilderness trim (TSP for 18 consecutive years)

**Jeff Walters, President and Chief Operating Officer, Subaru of America, Inc.**: "Safety remains a core focus for Subaru, and we will continue to design vehicles that support driver awareness and passenger protection across our lineup. Earning a *TOP SAFETY PICK+* designation for the 2026 Subaru Forester from the IIHS is an honor and recognition to our teams working to make safety a priority for all our vehicles."

Under IIHS' 2025 evaluation criteria, vehicles must achieve an acceptable rating in the updated moderate overlap front crash test to qualify for a *TOP SAFETY PICK* award, while a good rating is required to earn *TOP SAFETY PICK+*. The IIHS *TOP SAFETY PICK+* designation is awarded to a limited number of vehicles each year<sup>j</sup> that meet the organization's most comprehensive safety standards. The new test includes an additional rear-seat dummy to further assess back-seat passenger protection.

The 2026 Subaru Forester is available in six trim levels: Base, Premium, Sport, Limited, Touring, and Wilderness trim

levels, with a starting price of \$29,995 MSRP, and is available at Subaru retailers nationwide. The Subaru Forester Hybrid is available in Premium, Sport, Limited, and Touring trim levels, with a starting price of \$36,595 MSRP, and is available at Subaru retailers. Beginning with the 2026 model year, all Subaru Forester models sold in the U.S. are assembled by Subaru of Indiana Automotive at the automaker's facility in Lafayette, Indiana.

Every 2026 Forester is equipped with the latest generation of Subaru EyeSight® Driver Assist Technology, including advanced active safety features including Advanced Adaptive Cruise Control with Lane Centering, Steering Responsive Headlights and High Beam Assist.

For the full list of 2025 IIHS winners, visit the [IIHS website](http://www.iihs.org).

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