TOYOTA LAND CRUISER WIKI VIN DECODER

World Manufacturer Identifier (WMI) — positions 1–3

Vehicle Description Section (VDS) — positions 4–9

Vehicle Identifier Section (VIS) — positions 10–17

Example VIN: J T M C Y 7 A J 1 L 4 0 0 7 5 3 0

STANDARD positions: 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17

Standard	1 2 3	4 5 6 7 8 9	10	11	12 13 14	15 16 17
ISO 3779	World Manufacturer Identifier (WMI)	Vehicle description section (VDS)	Vehicle Identifier Section (VIS)			
European Union more than 500 vehicles/year	World Manufacturer Identifier · 9	Indication of "the general characteristics of the vehicle"	Model year	Indication that provides "clear identification of a particular vehicle"		
European Union 500 or fewer vehicles/year	World Manufacturer Identifier	Indication of "the general characteristics of the vehicle"	Model year	Indication that provides "clear identification of a particular vehicle"		
North America more than 2,000 vehicles/year	World Manufacturer Identifier · 9	Vehicle attributes / Check digit	Model year	Plant code	Sequential number	
North America 2,000 or fewer vehicles/year	World Manufacturer Identifier	Vehicle attributes / Check digit	Model year	Plant code	Manufacturer identifier	Sequential number

WORLD MANUFACTURER IDENTIFIER (WMI)

The first three characters uniquely identify the manufacturer of the vehicle using the world manufacturer identifier or WMI code. A manufacturer who builds fewer than 1000 vehicles per year uses a 9 as the third digit, and the 12th, 13th and 14th position of the VIN for a second part of the identification. Some manufacturers use the third character as a code for a vehicle category (e.g., bus or truck), a division within a manufacturer, or both. For example, with 1G (assigned to General Motors in the Untied States), 1G1 represents Chevrolet passenger cars; 1G2, Pontiac passenger cars; and 1GC, Chevrolet trucks.

The Society of Automotive Engineers (SAE) in the US assigns WMIs to countries and manufacturers.

The first character of the WMI is the region in which the manufacturer is located. In practice, each is assigned to a country of manufacture, although in Europe the country where the continental headquarters is located can assign the WMI to all vehicles produced in that region (Examples: Opel/Vauxhall cars whether produced in Germany, Spain, the United Kingdom or Poland carry a WMI of W0L because Adam Opek AG is based in Rüsselsheim, Germany).

In the notation below, assume that letters precede numbers and that zero is the last number. For example, 8X-82 denotes the range 8X, 8Y, 8Z, 81, 82, excluding 80.

VEHICLE DESCRIPTOR SECTION (VDS)

The fourth to ninth positions in the VIN are the vehicle descriptor section or VDS. This is used, according to local regulations, to identify the vehicle type, and may include information on the automobile platform used, the model, and the body style. Each manufacturer has a unique system for using this field. Most manufacturers since the 1980s have used the eighth digit to identify the engine type whenever there is more than one engine choice for the vehicle. Example: for the 2007 Chevrolet Corvette, U is for a 6.0-liter V8 engine, and E is for a 7.0-liter V8.

CHECK DIGIT

One element that is inconsistent is the use of position nine as a check digit, compulsory for vehicles in North America and China, but not Europe. The number that appears varies and is based on a mathematical formula that the U.S. Department of Transportation developed.

VEHICLE IDENTIFIER SECTION (VIS)

The tenth to 17th positions are used as the 'vehicle identifier section' (VIS). This is used by the manufacturer to identify the individual vehicle in question. This may include information on options installed or engine and transmission choices, but often is a simple sequential number. In North America, the last five digits must be numeric.

MODEL YEAR ENCODING

One consistent element of the VIS is the 10th digit, which is required worldwide to encode the model year of the vehicle. Besides the three letters that are not allowed in the VIN itself (I, O and Q), the letters U and Z and the digit 0 are not used for the model year code. The year code is the model year for the vehicle.

PLANT CODE

Compulsory in North America and China is the use of the 11th character to identify the assembly plant at which the vehicle was built. Each manufacturer has its own set of plant codes.

MANUFACTURER IDENTIFIER

See World manufacturer identifier (WMI)

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CHARTS

COUNTRY OR REGION CODES

A–H = Africa

AA-AH South Africa
AJ-AN Cote d'Ivoire
AP-A0 Unassigned
BA-BE Angola
BF-BK Kenya
BL-BK Kenya
BL-BR Tanzania
BS-B0 Unassigned
CA-CE Benin
CF-CK Madagascar
CL-CR Tunisia
CS-C0 Unassigned
DA-DE Egypt
DF-DK Morocco
DL-DR Zambia
DS-D0 Unassigned
EA-EE Ethiopia
EF-EK Mozambique
EL-E0 Unassigned
FA-FE Ghana
FF-FK Nigeria
FL-F0 Unassigned
GA-G0 Unassigned
HA-H0 Unassigned

J–R = Asia

J Japan
KA-KE Sri Lanka
KF-KK Israel
KL-KR Korea (South)
KS-K0 Kazakhstan
L China (Mainland)
MA-ME, MZ India
MF-MK Indonesia
ML-MR Thailand
MS-M0 Myanmar
NA-NE Iran
NF-NK Pakistan
NL-NR Turkey
NS-N0 Unassigned
PA-PE Philippines
PF-PK Singapore
PL-PR Malaysia
PS-P0 Unassigned
RA-RE United Arab
Emirates
RF-RK Taiwan
RL-RR Vietnam
RS-R0 Saudi Arabia

S–Z = Europe

SA-SM United Kingdom
SN-ST Germany (formerly East Germany)
SU-SZ Poland
S1-S4 Latvia
S5-S0 Unassigned
TA-TH Switzerland
TJ-TP Czech Republic
TR-TV Hungary
TW-T1 Portugal
T2-T0 Unassigned
UA-UG Unassigned
UH-UM Denmark
UN-UT Ireland
UU-UZ Romania
U1-U4 Unassigned
U5-U7 Slovakia
U8-U0 Unassigned
VA-VE Austria
VF-VR France
VS-VW Spain
VX-V2 Serbia
V3-V5 Croatia
V6-V0 Estonia
W Germany (formerly West Germany)
XA-XE Bulgaria
XF-XK Greece
XL-XR Netherlands
XS-XW Russia (formerly USSR)
XX-X2 Luxembourg
X3-X0 Russia
YA-YE Belgium
YF-YK Finland
YL-YR Malta
YS-YW Sweden
YX-Y2 Norway
Y3-Y5 Belarus
Y6-Y0 Ukraine
ZA-ZR Italy
ZS-ZW Unassigned
ZX-Z2 Slovenia
Z3-Z5 Lithuania
Z6-Z0 Unassigned

1–5 – North America

1, 4, or 5 United States
2 Canada
3A-3W Mexico
3X-37 Costa Rica
38-39 Cayman Islands
30 Unassigned

6–7 – Oceania

6 Australia
7 New Zealand

8–9 – South America

8A-8E Argentina
8F-8K Chile
8L-8R Ecuador
8S-8W Peru
8X-82 Venezuela
82 Bolivia
83-80 Unassigned
9A-9E Brazil
9F-9K Colombia
9L-9R Paraguay
9S-9W Uruguay
9X-92 Trinidad & Tobago
93-99 Brazil
90 Unassigned

MODEL YEAR ENCODING CHART

Code	Year	Code	Year	Code	Year	Code	Year	Code	Year	Code	Year
A	1980	L	1990	Y	2000	A	2010	L	2020	Y	2030
B	1981	M	1991	1	2001	B	2011	M	2021	1	2031
C	1982	N	1992	2	2002	C	2012	N	2022	2	2032
D	1983	P	1993	3	2003	D	2013	P	2023	3	2033
E	1984	R	1994	4	2004	E	2014	R	2024	4	2034
F	1985	S	1995	5	2005	F	2015	S	2025	5	2035
G	1986	T	1996	6	2006	G	2016	T	2026	6	2036
H	1987	V	1997	7	2007	H	2017	V	2027	7	2037
J	1988	W	1998	8	2008	J	2018	W	2028	8	2038
K	1989	X	1999	9	2009	K	2019	X	2029	9	2039

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