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2010 Scion xB and 2010 Toyota Corolla earn *Top Safety Pick* award

The [Scion xB](#) and [Toyota Corolla](#) bring to seven the number of small cars consumers have to choose from that earn the Institute's highest safety designation. To qualify for *Top Safety Pick*, a vehicle must earn the highest rating of good in the Institute's front, side, rollover, and rear impact tests and be equipped with electronic stability control.

The xB and Corolla are the first Toyota models to earn *Top Safety Pick* since the Institute tightened the criteria to win by adding the new rollover test for 2010.

To earn a good rollover rating, a roof has to support the equivalent of 4 times the vehicle's weight compared with the current federal standard of 1.5. In the Institute's test, the xB's roof withstood a force equal to 6.8 times the car's weight. The Corolla's roof supported 5.1 times the car's weight.

Read more about the Institute's rollover test here: <http://www.iihs.org/ratings/roof/information.html>

The xB and Corolla also earned the 2009 *Top Safety Pick* award.

"*Top Safety Pick* recognizes the vehicles that afford buyers the best overall protection in common crashes," says Institute president Adrian Lund. "With more top performers, there's no reason to buy a small car with less than stellar crash test ratings."

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