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When Ford rolled out the Mustang in April 1964 it was an instant hit. Even with its immense popularity it didn't stop Ford Corporate, zone managers, and dealerships from taking it an extra step further. Just two short months later, the first special-edition Mustang debuted at the Indianapolis 500 tasked with pacing the race, and it's been full throttle ever since. This book examines more than 300 special-edition Mustangs from 1964 through today. Coverage includes factory offerings such as the 2001 Bullitt and SVT Cobras, regional promotions including the Twister Special, third-party tuners such as Roush and Saleen, and factory race cars including the 1968-1/2 Cobra Jets and the 2000 Cobra-R. You may find Mustangs in this book that you had no idea even existed! Never has a volume this detailed and with this many model Mustangs been offered published. The authors have taken their decades of research and logged them into a single compilation. Each Mustang is accompanied by production numbers, key features, and photos of surviving cars whenever possible. This book is sure to be a valued resource in your Mustang memorabilia collection!

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The Complete Book of Ford Mustang, 4th Edition details the devel-

opment, technical specifications, and history of America's original pony car, now updated to cover cars through the 2021 model year.

In the past, restoration guides have provided authenticity information, such as accurate paint codes, badges, wheels, and other equipment. A bona fide hands-on how-to book for restoring your Mustang from the ground up has not been offered for years. This unique guide will cover the restoration process for every major component group and also provide detailed step-by-step restoration information for the most important procedures. With clear, insightful color photography to accompany this how-to information, any at-home restorer can confidently restore a car and save a substantial amount of money in the process. While restomod books have shown how to install latest technology on vintage muscle cars, this book will focus on factory-accurate restorations, and some simple bolt-on upgrades that do not detract from the collector value but rather enhance the reliability and performance of the car. How to Restore Your Mustang 1964-1/2-1973 delivers a detailed explanation for finding the right model, how to assess condition, how to spot a fake, and how to select the right car within your budget. In addition, the book will cover how to plan, prepare, and select the right tools. This unique guide will cover the restora-

tion process for every major component group and also provide detailed step-by-step restoration information for the most important procedures. The latest techniques and best restoration products for each system will be discussed and detailed. Also, the book discusses how to source parts and what you need to consider between new/old stock and reproduction parts. Readers will also learn how to determine if a certain task is best left for a professional shop. All crucial aspects of restoration, including engines, drivelines, body, interior, trim, electrical systems, brakes, steering, and suspension will be profiled.

The Mobilgas Economy Runs were annual competitions in which new American production automobiles vied not for speed, but for fuel economy—even as the industry was turning out bigger, more powerful cars year by year. This first complete history of the runs (including the predecessor Gilmore Economy Runs) follows each year's competitors day by day, covers some aspects not reported at the time and features a wealth of photographs. It includes coverage of the related Mobil Mileage Rally, held for imported cars from 1958 through 1961. Complete results for all of the competitions are provided in an appendix.

Expertly rendered illustrations of fast, flashy, and powerful sports cars, among them the 1962 Ford Thunderbird, 1964 Corvette St-

ingray, 1968 Chevy Impala SS427, 1969 Camaro Z-28, 1970 Ford Torino Fastback, 1971 Mustang Boss 351, 1974 Firebird Trans-Am, and 37 others. For coloring book enthusiasts and "muscle car" fans.

In 1969, the Camaro with the SS package took Chevy Camaro performance and styling to another level. First, the Camaro carried updated sheet metal for an aggressive and eye-catching appearance, and the ultra-high-performance 427 big-block engines were available for the first time. As history proved, 1969 was the pinnacle of performance and styling for the first-generation Chevy Camaro. Author and muscle car expert Robert Kimbrough provides a comprehensive examination of the all-time classic 1969 Camaro SS in Volume No. 4 of CarTech's In Detail series. He delves into the design, manufacturing, and equipment of Chevrolet's premier pony car. For the first time in its history, the 1969 Camaro SS had a full slate of high-performance small-blocks as well as big-blocks to conquer the competition on the street and track. The engines included the 350, 375-hp 396, and 425-hp COPO 427 Camaros. The Camaro SS made such an impression, that it became the Indy 500 Pace Car once again in 1969. All In Detail Series books include an introduction and historical overview, an explanation of the design and concepts involved in creating the car, a look at marketing and promotion, and an in-depth study of all hardware and available options, as well as an examination of where the car is on the market today. Also included is an appendix of paint and option codes, VIN and build-tag decoders, as well as production numbers.

1. 1967 Pontiac GTO 2. 1968 Plymouth GTX 3. 1969 Ford Mustang Boss 429 4. 1969 Chevrolet Camaro ZL1 5. 1970 Buick GSX Stage 1 6. 1970 Plymouth Hemi 'Cuda 7. 1970 Chevrolet Chevelle SS 454 8. 1968 Dodge Dart 9. 1970 AMC Rebel Machine 10. 1984 Chevrolet Corvette 11. 1969 Dodge Charger Daytona 12. 1970 Oldsmobile 442 13. 1978 Pontiac Firebird 14. 1969 Pontiac GTO Judge 15. 1969 Chevrolet Camaro SS 16. 1971 Ford Mustang Mach 1 429 Super Cobra Jet 17. 1970 Mercury Cougar Eliminator 18. 1959 Ford Galaxie 19. 1969 Yenko Chevelle 427 20. 1970 Ford Torino Cobra 429 Jet

Celebrate Chevrolet's wildly successful 1969 Chevelle SS 396 with this comprehensive publication that covers options for the engine, transmission, paint, aesthetics, and more!

Chevrolet's marketing campaign for the 1969 Chevelle changed

the SS 396 to an option instead of its own series. For this year only, the SS 396 Equipment option was offered on four different bodystyles (coupe, sport coupe, convertible, and sedan pickup) and in two series (300 Deluxe and Malibu). The clean styling and extended production year saw sales at 86,307 units sold with the SS 396 Equipment option, the all-time high watermark. The SS 396 equipment option offered three engine packages: those with 325, 350, and 375 hp--the latter being available with an aluminum-head option (L89). Two SS 396-specific paint colors (Daytona Yellow and Hugger Orange) were available at a \$42.15 charge adding a splash of brightness to the color chart palette. The year 1969 was also the first time that an SS 396 Chevelle came with its own special wheels. Leading Chevelle specialists contributed data to this book, certifying that the information presented is accurate and ensuring that 1969 Chevrolet Chevelle SS 396: Muscle Cars In Detail No. 12 will be a valued resource guide for years to come.

Of the legendary names in the history of the Ford Mustang, one stands apart: Boss. Originally created to homologate the new Boss 302 engine for SCCA Trans-Am racing, the Boss 302 Mustang was built in limited numbers for the street. Designed by legend Larry Shinoda, the Boss cars were easily distinguished from their less potent stable mates by their unique front and rear spoilers, rear window slats, and the omission of the standard Mustang's (fake) rear fender brake ducts. Also standard was a shaker hood scoop and bold graphics. Though Mustang performance faded to all-time lows as the 1970s rolled on, there was good news on the way. The pairing of the venerable 302 Windsor engine with the new Fox-body platform for the 1979 Mustang might not have seemed significant at the time, but it was the first edition of what would become a performance institution in the late 20th century: the 5-liter Mustang was an overwhelming force on the streets and tracks through the end of its production in 1995. With no small amount of fanfare, Ford is paying homage to its performance past with the re-introduction of the 5.0 liter powerplant in the Mustang GT for 2011.

Not to be outdone by Chrysler, Ford had to build and field its own race-duty big-block to compete with the 426 Hemi in drag and stock car racing. In competition trim, the Boss 429 powered Ford and Mercury stock cars to victory in NASCAR and the Mustang to many wins in drag racing. With this exclusive racing pedigree, the Boss 429 is among the most valuable and rare Mustangs ever

built. The project was the brainchild of Bunkie Knudsen, noted stylist Larry Shinoda, and other talented Ford personnel. The semi-hemi Boss 429 was so large, it couldn't fit in the small Mustang, so Kar-Kraft, a specialty car builder, had to shoehorn the engine into the compact Mustang fastback. Author Dan Burrill gives you the straight story on the Boss 429, its special equipment, 429 engine, 4-speed Toploader transmission, interior appointments, paint codes, and options. Also featured is the exciting story of developing this monumental engine, engineering the components and parts to fit the engine and chassis, and assembling the cars. Each volume in the In Detail Series provides an introduction and historical overview, an explanation of the design and concepts involved in creating the car, a look at marketing and promotion, an in-depth study of all hardware and available options, and an examination of where the car is on the market today. Also included are paint and option codes, VIN and build tag decoders, as well as production numbers. p.p1 {margin: 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px; font: 12.0px Arial}

American Muscle Cars 2015 is the ultimate collection of Detroit muscle. Featuring studio portraits of the hottest hardware from the 1960s and 1970s, master photographer Randy Leffingwell has captured each car in vivid color. GM, Ford, Dodge, and Plymouth are all represented in this 16-month, 12x12-inch celebration of horsepower.

Motorbooks' Speed Read series celebrates every aspect of the original pony car—the Ford Mustang—from the key people like Lee Iacocca and Carroll Shelby to the racing success to the cars themselves. Get a full look at every iconic Mustang model, from the first car to bear the name that became the fastest selling car of all time, to the astounding 526-horsepower supercar Mustang produces today. In sections divided by topic, you'll explore the design and launch of the first Mustang at the 1964 World's Fair; a history of every generation of Mustang; the various body styles, options, and accessories; a review of the performance models; a profile of Carroll Shelby and the Mustangs he designed; special editions, like the Sprint, ASC/McLaren, and police pursuit vehicles; and, of course, the Mustang's racing legacy. Each section ends with a glossary of related terms, and informational sidebars provide fun facts, historical tidbits, and mini-bios of key people in Mustang history. Sleek illustrations showcase Mustangs in their many forms. With Motorbooks' Speed Read series, become an ins-

tant expert in a range of fast-moving subjects, from Formula 1 racing to the Tour de France. Accessible language, compartmentalized sections, fact-filled sidebars, glossaries of key terms, and event timelines deliver quick access to insider knowledge. Their brightly colored covers, modern design, pop art-inspired illustrations, and handy size make them perfect on-the-go reads.

By the time the 1969 model year rolled around, it was well established that muscle cars were fast and plentiful. Every manufacturer had at least one corner of the showroom where the "go fast" guys could congregate and discuss the merits and time slips of the latest performance offerings. Competition being what it was, the manufacturers were looking for ways to entice potential buyers to choose their product over ever-increasing offerings from the competition. Some manufacturers tried to accomplish this with affordable prices, some tried fancy marketing schemes, and some created a look and a style that screamed "performance" even when standing still. The 1969 Mach I was Ford's attempt to create a package and a style to match the performance of its recently released and very potent 428-ci Cobra Jet engine package. Displacing the still-available but more conservative GT trim, the Mach I included unique and innovative graphics and mechanical innovations including shaker hood scoops, dual racing mirrors, deluxe interiors, competition suspension, dual chrome exhaust tips, and blacked-out hoods. The result was a wildly popular model that sold more than 70,000 units, compared to slightly more than 5,000 GT models for the year. Each volume in the In Detail Series provides an introduction and historical overview, an explanation of the design and concepts involved in creating the car, a look at marketing and promotion, an in-depth study of all hardware and available options, and an examination of where the car is on the market today. Also included are paint and option codes, VIN and build tag decoders, as well as production numbers.

Straight from the auction block! Old Car Weekly's Old Car Auction Bible is your handy resource for collector vehicle auctions from all corners of the U.S. In it, the publishers of Old Cars Weekly and Old Cars Report Price Guide have compiled more than 40 important sales from around the country that can give hobbyists a true picture of what cars are selling for and where the collector car market is headed. All the big auction houses are represented: Mecum, Russo and Steele, Barrett-Jackson, RM Auctions, Auctions America, Worlwide, Bonham's, Gooding and many more.

Muscle car enthusiasts can take this fact-filled reference with them anywhere! Featuring more than 300 American muscle cars produced during the last 40 years, this is the ultimate guide for high-performance enthusiasts. This full-color reference features more than four decades of the most powerful American cars ever produced. Listings include a historical background, original factory specifications, available options, original pricing information and an updated price guide, with current values in six condition grades. Includes every type of high performance model from early full-size favorites like the 1961 Chevrolet Impala SS to muscle car heyday favorites like the 1970 Plymouth Road Runner SuperBird, as well as other high-performance classics of the 70s, 80s and 90s.

Celebrate 75 years of Ferrari with this complete, fascinating, and stunningly illustrated history highlighting the company's legendary sports cars and their worldwide influence. A stellar combination of beauty, engineering, racing success, exclusivity, and Italian flair combine to make Ferrari the world's most legendary carmaker. All these traits coalesce in the form of Ferrari's road cars. No other sports car manufacturer has so consistently set the bar for style and performance. It's a near unbroken 75-year run of automotive hits: The 125S in 1947 The versatile 340 in the 1950s The stunning 250s and 275s of the 1960s The Daytona in the 1970s The shocking F40 in the 1990s The modern era's outrageous hypercars like the Enzo, F8, and LaFerrari Ferrari: 75 Years dives deep into Ferrari's sports car history beginning in 1947, but also examines Enzo Ferrari's early career with Alfa-Romeo before he launched his legendary company. Automotive historian and photographer Dennis Adler offers Ferrari owners and fans a full and fascinating picture of Maranello's 75 years of sports car manufacturing. Adler's detailed text is accompanied by his breathtaking photography and supplemented by important historic images. For 75 years, Ferrari has created high-performance automotive works of art to fire the imaginations of car lovers and performance enthusiasts the world over. Ferrari: 75 Years provides an inspiring and illuminating look back at this history.

"Muscle Car Source Book is a muscle car buff's encyclopedia that chronicles the how's why's, and when's of American muscle car manufacturers like Dodge, Plymouth, Ford, and more"--

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Mustang memorabilia abounds in this all-color look at the collectible treasures used over the years to promote America's favorite pony car. Filled with promotional models, toys, banners and clocks, drinking glasses, posters, matchbooks and more! Nostalgic Mustang collector's items are featured in stunning color photos complemented by lively descriptions that tell the unique story behind each collectible piece. Contains a beneficial price and value guide for hard-core collectors.

A breed unlike any seen before or since, the powerful, stylish American muscle car defined an era in automotive history. This history traces the rise and fall of these great performance cars from their precursors in the 1950s through the seminal appearance of the Pontiac GTO in 1964 and then year by year to the end in the 1970s. Approachable and nontechnical yet deeply informative, it puts the bygone muscle car in its cultural and aesthetic contexts, describes developments in styling, performance and marketing, and revels in the joys of muscle car ownership in the

21st century.

"Just what is a Muscle Car?" Road Test magazine asked in June 1967. The answer: "Exactly what the name implies. It is a product of the American car industry adhering to the hot rodder's philosophy of taking a small car and putting a BIG engine in it. . . . The Muscle Car is Charles Atlas kicking sand in the face of the 98 horsepower weakling." Unconcerned with such trivial details as comfort and handling, the vintage American muscle car was built for straight-line speed and quickly became the ride of choice for power-hungry racers and serious gearheads. In a country where performance was measured in brute force, a quarter mile at a time, the muscle car was the perfect machine. In the intervening years, these down-and-dirty, high-performing beauties have earned their place in the automotive pantheon. As prized by collectors and aficionados as they are by denizens of garages and drag strips, classic muscle cars now fetch upwards of a million dollars at auctions and feature in any story of America's automotive glory days. The icons of muscle car art—including Camaro and Chevelle SS, the Hemi and 440-6 'Cuda, Challenger, Roadrunner, Super Bee, GTX, Super Bird, Daytona Charger, Super Cobra Jet and Boss Mustang, Talladega Torino, Buick GSX and W30 Oldsmobile 442, and AMX Javelin—are all here, on full display in this lavishly illustrated volume, each described in a detailed essay followed by a gallery of portraits and special gatefold presentations that capture the art of the muscle car at its finest.

This fully illustrated, highly detailed restoration guide illustrates how to make your Mustang as original as it can be.

Haynes disassembles every subject vehicle and documents every step with thorough instructions and clear photos. Haynes repair manuals are used by the pros, but written for the do-it-yourselfer. Ground up or section by section, this guide will show you how to restore your 1965-70 Mustang to like-new condition. Packed with dozens of identification charts and more than 450 photos and drawings, the guide covers year-by-year equipment changes and disassembly and assembly. A Mustang suppliers list is a bonus.

In *Ford Mustang: America's Original Pony Car*, acclaimed Mustang writer Donald Farr celebrates this iconic car. Created in cooperation with Ford, the book features some 400 photos from company archives.

Author Bob McClurg details the early days of Tascar Ford, when

Bob Tasca was just getting his start, through the growth of the dealership during its successful performance years, all the way to modern times.

Provides a buyer's guide for the Ford Mustang. This book includes chapters on engine, drivetrain, bodywork, interior, and detailing. It also includes a CD-ROM with photographs from the author's personal collection of Ford Mustang photographs.

Join "automotive archeologist" Ryan Brutt as he searches for American muscle cars lost to time in barns, abandoned buildings, decrepit garages, even overgrown backyards!

In this follow up to Jerry Heasley's *Rare Finds*, Heasley has built a collection of his finest stories, including the 1969 Boss prototype owned by Ford stylist Larry Shinoda, the original 1967 Shelby Mustang prototype and more.

*Project Mustang* is a complete guide to restoring America's favorite muscle car, written by auto-restoration guru Larry Lyles, a regular contributor to *Auto Restorer* magazine. In this detailed 23-chapter volume, Lyles walks the car owner from the in-depth inspection of the vehicle and the beginning of the teardown to re-covering the seats and replacing the frame rail; and every step in between. The car restored for the project in the book is a 1968 California Special Mustang. The chapter titles themselves speak for what a straightforward DIY manual Lyles has written, as he details the step-by-step procedure of bringing a very cool rod back to life. Beginning the teardown, exterior and interior; repairing the sheet metal, door, and deck up; removing the major parts (drive-shaft, engine, transmission, front suspension, steering system, etc.); removing old paint and replacing rust floors; no-weld rust repair; perfecting the metal; working with plastic body filler; priming and sanding; refinishing the components and underside, the door, interior, trunk, and body; wiring the car and installing the doors; applying the coatings, rebuilding the suspension, and installing the brake lines; installing the vinyl top cover, the headliner, and the glass; rebuilding and installing the engine; installing the front sheet metal, emblems, bumpers, stripes, carpet, and console; re-covering the seats; and replacing the frame rails. Each step in every chapter is photographed as the author progresses along, with captions to spell out exactly what has to happen. The book offers helpful advice about choice of tools and tips to make even beginners feel confident about tackling the many steps involved. With nearly forty years experience in repairing, rebuilding, and restor-

ing classic cars (and lots of non-classic ones!), Lyles emphasizes the reader's need to organize his or her project by determining the course of the project, researching suppliers, making lists of parts and their conditions, creating spreadsheets of estimated and actual costs, and photographing each component as a reference for later in case the restoration goes off track. Each chapter ends with a "notes" page for the reader to record his or her progress, making this manual a practical workbook as well. When the reader gets to the final pages of the book and reads the sections "Start the Engine" and "Test Drive the Car," there will be a true sense of accomplishment. An appendix of part suppliers and an index complete the book.

The Mustang is a muscle car so cool, it's inspired hundreds of movies and songs since it was first released in 1964. Discover the fascinating story of one of the world's most famous vehicles.

p.p1 {margin: 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px 0.0px; font: 12.0px Arial} Without question, the 1964-1/2 Mustang is one of the most important and influential cars in automotive history. When Ford launched the Mustang, it created an automotive revolution. Award-winning designer and stylist Gale Halderman was at the epicenter of the action at Ford, and, in fact, his initial design sketch formed the basis of the new Mustang. He reveals his involvement in the project as well as telling the entire story of the design and development of the Mustang. Authors and Mustang enthusiasts James Dinsmore and James Halderman go beyond the front doors at Ford into the design center, testing grounds, and Ford facilities to get the real, unvarnished story. Gale Halderman offers a unique behind-the-scenes perspective and firsthand account of the inception, design, development, and production of the original Mustang. With stinging losses from the Edsel fresh in minds at Ford, the Mustang project was an uphill battle from day one. Lee Iacocca and his assembled team had a herculean task to convince Henry Ford II to take a risk on a new concept of automobile, but with the help of Hal Sperlich's detailed market research, the project received the green light. Henry Ford II made it clear that jobs were on the line, including Iacocca's, if it failed. The process of taking a car from sketch to clay model to prototype to preproduction and finally finished model is retraced in insightful detail. During the process, many fascinating experimental cars, such as the Mustang I two-seater, Mustang II prototype, Mustang Allegro, and Shorty, were built. But eventually the Mustang, based on the exist-

ing Ford Falcon, received the nod for final production. In a gala event, it was unveiled at the 1964 World's Fair in New York. The Mustang received public accolades and critical acclaim, and soon it became a runaway hit. After the initial success, Ford designers and Gale Halderman designed and developed the first fastback Mustangs to compliment the coupes. The classic Mustang muscle cars to follow, including the GT, Mach 1, and others, are profiled as well. The Mustang changed automotive history and ushered in the pony car era as a nimble, powerful, and elegantly styled sports coupe. But it could so easily have stumbled and wound up on the scrap pile of failed new projects. This is the remarkable and dramatic story of how the Mustang came to life, the demanding design and development process, and, ultimately, the triumph of the iconic American car.

The Ford Boss Mustang is the most iconic pony car ever created, and this book covers it more extensively than any other. *Boss Mustang: 50 Years*—a fully expanded version of *Mustang Boss 302*—includes the complete history of its creation; racing and street histories of both the 302 and 429 models; and photos and interviews with Boss Mustang designers, engineers, racers, and more. Of all the legendary names in the history of the Ford Mustang, one stands apart: Boss. Originally created to homologate the new Boss 302 engine and option package for SCCA Trans-Am racing, the Mustang Boss 302 debuted for the 1969 model year and was built in limited numbers for the street through 1970. This book features never-before-seen production and racing photography, inter-

views with designers and engineers, and keen insight from author Donald Farr, a renowned Ford historian and Ford hall-of-fame inductee. Designed by the legendary Larry Shinoda, the Boss cars were easily distinguished from their less potent stablemates by their race-bred powerplant, standard front spoiler, and bold graphics. In 2012, Ford at long last revived this most revered of all Mustang models. With a new racing counterpart and a modern street version that delivers more than 440 horsepower, the Boss was truly back! In 2013, Ford rolled out the Boss one more time. In *Boss Mustang: 50 Years*, Mustang historian Donald Farr offers a complete history of the car—from its late 1960s origins in Ford's boardrooms through its Trans-Am successes and untimely demise in 1970, up to the conception and development of the spectacular, limited-edition 2012 and 2013 Boss Mustangs. Packed with brilliant photography and firsthand accounts from the people who created the original Boss, as well as the team that resurrected Ford's most iconic Mustang for the 21st century, this is the story every Mustang enthusiast has been waiting to read.

*Popular Mechanics* inspires, instructs and influences readers to help them master the modern world. Whether it's practical DIY home-improvement tips, gadgets and digital technology, information on the newest cars or the latest breakthroughs in science -- PM is the ultimate guide to our high-tech lifestyle.

*Ford Muscle Cars 2015* is the must-have collection of performance vehicles by America's original automaker. From the obvious Mustangs and Torino GTs to the more obscure Galaxies and race-

ready Fairlanes, this large-format calendar celebrates the lineage of total performance that has inspired the entire class of vehicles known as muscle cars.

"Petty signs with Ford!" Those four words tore through the racing world like a hot knife through butter while loyalists threw their hands up in disbelief. King Richard's defection was in part because Plymouth hadn't built a Dodge Daytona counterpart for the NASCAR circuit, in addition to the fact that Petty Enterprises wanted to be the sole racing parts distributor for Plymouth at the time. Plymouth weathered the backlash publically while privately scurrying to create a car to lure Richard back to Plymouth. That car? The 1970 Plymouth Superbird. Production models languished on salesroom floors due in part to NASCAR having increased the homologation requirement from 500 units to 2,000. These cars were highly specialized, seen as being in excess in proportion to the hottest street cars of the period. Fast-forward to today, Superbirds are highly collectible and are the star attractions at car shows and auctions, pulling top dollar and generating real excitement. What a difference a few decades makes! Each volume in the *In Detail Series* provides an introduction and historical overview, an explanation of the design and concepts involved in creating the car, a look at marketing and promotion, an in-depth study of all hardware and available options, and an examination of where the car is on the market today. Also included are paint and option codes, VIN and build tag decoders, as well as production numbers.