



*We Never Forget that Behind Every Case, are Real People*

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## Toyota Recall Wrap-Up

There are around 250 million registered drivers in America and most of us have our own vehicle and buy cars either American made or that have been exported from other countries. Automobiles have become a right of passage in America. They can be a present of congratulations, celebrations, and of course are practical because for the most part, we use them everyday.

When the first statements were released about the major Toyota recall, the public was informed that the pedals of certain vehicles would stick to the car's floor while being used. Customers were told to immediately cease use of their cars while Toyota worked to fix the 2.3 million recalled vehicles.

Honda soon followed with their own recall of certain models a few days later, which only added to the woes of foreign

car companies. Not to fall behind with sending updates on the progress of fixing the recalled vehicles, Toyota sent out information this week on their progress. Engineers traced the problem to a friction device in the assembly that is supposed to provide the pedal "feel" by adding resistance. Dealerships are set to receive new parts that will correct and end the recall.



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## RECENT SETTLEMENTS

2.2 million settlement for a medical malpractice case at a New Jersey hospital involving a 54 year-old woman who had an elective bilateral knee replacement surgery. After surgery, the doctor failed to recognize the injury to the femoral artery and lack of blood flow to her lower leg, resulting in an ischemic injury to her foot. Due to the negligence, the woman suffered extensive injuries resulting in irreversible damage and a non-functional right foot. She now has been forced to undergo further painful and necessary surgical and medical procedures to attempt to alleviate and treat her condition.



# Recent Recalls

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After two months of Graco Children's Products recalling certain models of the Passage, Alano, and Spree Strollers due to young children's fingers being severed off, 1.5 million strollers are being recalled for related reasons.

The U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission reported a total of five children who had their finger tips cut off when the stroller's canopy opened or closed. Parents who own the strollers have been informed to not use the product until they have received a repair kit from Graco. Also, it is suggested to visit the Graco site to view the two types of hinges used on the strollers. Those with a plastic joined hinge with an indented canopy positioning notches are subject to this recall.

Similarly, the company, Maclaren, recalled their strollers in November 2009 after finger tip amputations occurred in the hinges when opening and closing the stroller.



The company Johnson and Johnson issued a major recall on January 15, 2010 for three of their over-the-counter drugs including: Tylenol, Motrin, and St. Joseph's aspirin. The company states consumers reported sickness due to a moldy smell emitted from their products. The smell is said to be caused by wood pallets, a chemical that can be leached into the air.

This recent recall includes some types of regular and extra-strength Tylenol, children's Tylenol, eight-hour Tylenol, Tylenol arthritis, Tylenol PM, children's Motrin, Motrin IB, Benadryl Roloids, Simply Sleep, and St. Joseph's aspirin.

The FDA has stated that some symptoms from the over-the-counter drugs that include: nausea, vomiting, and stomach pain. Also, a company in New Jersey has gone into investigation of the products and has stopped shipping products.



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