

# **IIHS Top Safety Pick+ Award Comes Standard on the 2017 Toyota Highlander**

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Plano, Texas, Jan. 10, 2017 – Toyota maintains its lead with the most Insurance Institute for Highway Safety’s (IIHS) Top Safety Pick + (TSP+) awards of all manufacturers. The Toyota Highlander is the 10<sup>th</sup> 2017 TSP+ award for Toyota/Lexus. With the three 2017 TSP awards (Avalon, Lexus CT and Yaris iA), Toyota has a combined total of 13 awards.

According to IIHS, the 2017 Toyota Highlander earns the TSP+ award recognizing good crash protection across the board, including a superior-rated front crash prevention system and acceptable-rated headlights. And, unlike most TOP SAFETY PICK+ winners, which meet the front crash prevention and headlight criteria when they are equipped with optional features, the Highlander qualifies for the award with standard equipment.

“Toyota is firmly committed to a wide range of initiatives further enhancing the safety of Toyota vehicles and peace of mind for our customers,” said Jeff Makarewicz, Toyota’s North American Vehicle, Quality & Safety Engineering Group Vice President. “This sincere dedication to safety by our engineers resulted in another IIHS Top Safety pick for Toyota.”

To qualify for 2017 TSP+, a vehicle must earn good ratings in the five IIHS crashworthiness tests—small overlap front, moderate overlap front, side, roof strength and head restraints—as well as an advanced or superior rating for front crash prevention and an acceptable or good headlight rating.

2017 Toyota and Lexus TOP SAFETY PICK+ winners:

- *Toyota Highlander*
- Toyota Prius (built after Aug. 2016)
- Toyota Corolla
- Toyota Camry
- Toyota Prius v
- Lexus RC
- Lexus ES 350
- Toyota RAV4
- Lexus NX
- Lexus RX

2017 Toyota and Lexus TOP SAFETY PICK winners:

- Toyota Yaris iA
- Toyota Avalon
- Lexus CT 200h