

Toyota Takes 10 Vincentric 'Best Value in America' Awards Including Best Overall Passenger Car

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TORRANCE, Calif., March 1, 2011 – – Toyota led all manufacturers with 10 winners in the 7th annual Vincentric's Best Value in America awards for the 2011 model year. Toyota's award total was twice as many as the runner-up brand and represented nearly one-quarter of all awards selected.

Vincentric determines its Best Value in America awards based on cost-of-ownership by measuring eight different cost factors: depreciation, fuel, insurance, opportunity cost, financing, maintenance, taxes and state fees, and repairs.

The 10 segment winners were highlighted by Toyota receiving the brand level award for the passenger car segment, in addition to its nine model-specific awards. The remaining nine model-specific segment awards captured by Toyota included:

- 4Runner – SUV, Mid-Size (third year in a row)
- Avalon – Large (six-time winner)
- Camry Hybrid – Mid-Size Hybrid Sedan
- FJ Cruiser – SUV, Compact
- Highlander Hybrid – SUV, Mid-Size Hybrid
- Land Cruiser – SUV, Mid-Size Premium (fourth year in a row)
- Prius – Compact, Advanced Fuel Technology (six-time winner)
- Tacoma – Compact Pickup (seventh year in a row...more than any other vehicle)
- Venza – Crossover, Mid-Size (two-time winner)

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