

Kelley Blue Book Names Best Family Cars of 2021

Experts Recommend New Two-Row, Three-Row, and Full-Size SUVs, Plus Minivans to Suit Any Family

IRVINE, Calif., May 3, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- Buying a new family car is a task brimming with important considerations, from lifestyle needs and budget concerns to passenger safety and comfort. With an increasing number of new SUV models and options hitting the marketplace every year, in addition to the perennial family-car favorite the minivan, the choices available can be overwhelming to parents in any stage of life. To help narrow down the consideration set, the experts at Kelley Blue Book named the [Best Family Cars of 2021](#) to aid parents in deciding which new vehicle best suits their family.



"When it comes to buying a car for a new or growing family, parents understandably want assurance that their vehicle has outstanding safety and technology features to help protect their precious cargo," said Matt DeLorenzo, senior managing editor for Kelley Blue Book. "We also know budget factors are top-of-mind for families, so we place a heavy emphasis on overall value including purchase and ownership costs through Kelley Blue Book's Fair Purchase Price and 5-Year Cost to Own information."

The Best Family Cars of 2021 include two- and three-row crossover SUVs offering the passenger and cargo-carrying capacity that make them go-to choices, and full-size SUVs/minivans that hold appeal for their roominess and flexibility. This annual list features top recommendations based on in-depth testing with a focus on safety, overall value, connectivity, technology and driver-assist features. Kelley Blue Book's editorial staff constantly reviews the newest cars on the market, evaluating options through many lenses to provide the most comprehensive information possible for new-car shoppers. The team also uses data from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) to ensure recommended vehicles have top safety ratings.

Kelley Blue Book's Best Family Cars of 2021

Best Two-Row SUVs for Families <i>(listed in alphabetical order)</i>	Select Editorial Commentary
2021 Honda CR-V	With a mix of practicality, pricing, space, safety, reliability and resale prowess, it's no real surprise that the Honda CR-V is on our list again this year.
2021 Hyundai Santa Fe	The Santa Fe is on the list for the second year in a row because it is comfortable, fuel-efficient and comes nicely equipped regardless of trim level.
2021 Toyota RAV4	The Toyota RAV4 has long been known as a roomy, practical, reliable compact SUV that places a high priority on safety, and the current generation adds a serious helping of excitement.
Best Three-Row SUVs for Families <i>(listed in alphabetical order)</i>	Select Editorial Commentary
2021 Honda Pilot	The Honda Pilot is a tried-and-true midsize three-row SUV that offers roomy versatility, reliability and a very strong resale value.

2021 Hyundai Palisade	The Hyundai Palisade packs plenty of panache and seats up to eight passengers in a comfortable, good-looking, three-row SUV package.
2021 Kia Telluride	The Kia Telluride was designed with the right combination of value, space, safety, and convenience to make it a tough competitor in the heavily populated midsize SUV segment.
2021 Toyota Highlander	For families who need a practical vehicle with plenty of seating, but just don't want a minivan, the Toyota Highlander is one of the most family-friendly SUVs available.
Best Full-Size SUVs for Families <i>(listed in alphabetical order)</i>	Select Editorial Commentary
2021 Chevrolet Tahoe	The redesigned 2021 Chevrolet Tahoe can tow a lot of passengers, cargo, and even a boat without breaking a sweat – the Tahoe has few rivals that can match its versatility.
2021 Ford Expedition	The Ford Expedition takes the idea of a 20 th century eight-passenger, full-sized American vehicle and gives it an overhaul, offering a better ride, more comfort and a wealth of driver assistance features.
Best Minivans <i>(listed in alphabetical order)</i>	Select Editorial Commentary
2021 Chrysler Pacifica	Refreshed and improved for 2021, the updated Pacifica is better and more luxurious than ever, including newly available all-wheel drive and an updated aesthetic.
2021 Honda Odyssey	The Honda Odyssey is simply one of the best family vehicles money can buy, and after undergoing a mid-cycle refresh for 2021, Honda's minivan is better than ever.
2021 Toyota Sienna	The 2021 Toyota Sienna is the first redesign of this minivan stalwart in over a decade; it's been a long time coming, but the result is worth the wait.

Kelley Blue Book's Best Family Cars of 2021 provides valued service for families to narrow down their search for a new vehicle, and its [Dealer Home Services](#) makes it easier to shop for a car right from home – from a virtual walk around or test drive, to delivering a car right to your driveway with touchless delivery.

For more information about Kelley Blue Book's Best Family Cars of 2021, including detailed editorial commentary, safety ratings, photos, pricing information and more for each model, visit <https://www.kbb.com/awards/best-family-cars/>.

There's no shortage of safe, reliable, feature-rich cars on the market these days, giving parents a plethora of options when it comes time to shop for a new family hauler. Whichever way you go, one thing is certain – you'll need to make sure your child's safety seats work in the car before you buy it. For Child Car Safety Seats: Things to Consider When Choosing a New Car, including tips from Michelle Pratt of [Safe in the Seat](#), visit <https://www.kbb.com/car-news/child-car-safety-seats-guidelines/>.

For shoppers in the market for a used vehicle, Kelley Blue Book's experts compiled an additional list of the [10 Best Used Family Cars Under \\$15,000](#).

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