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Used car buyers can benefit from taking advantage of all vehicle history report services available and may want to consider an independent inspection before purchasing a used vehicle.

Created by the Anti Car Theft Act, NMVTIS is required to include data from all state motor vehicle agencies, including brand information that describes a vehicle’s prior use and condition and the latest odometer reading. NMVTIS is the only vehicle history database in the nation to which all states, insurance carriers, and junk and salvage yards are required by federal law to report. Federal law also requires all insurance companies and all junk and salvage yards in the United States to report their salvage and total loss vehicles to NMVTIS. Because of this, NMVTIS can help car buyers detect fraud and know if a car has been totaled or determined to be salvage or junk, before they buy a car.

It’s the Law

Federal law requires that states, before issuing a new title on a vehicle from or purchased in another state, verify through NMVTIS the title being presented and accuracy of certain other vehicle information. Vehicle information in NMVTIS is available to prospective car purchasers, states, and law enforcement.

For more information, visit www.vehiclehistory.gov.

A NMVTIS Vehicle History Report is Unique

A vehicle history report which contains NMVTIS information from an Approved NMVTIS Data Provider is different from other vehicle history reports. It draws on data from NMVTIS, the only vehicle history database in the nation to which ALL states, insurance carriers, and junk and salvage yards are required by federal law to report.