

North Of The Border

The Canadian Scene Eh?

Hemi Cars In Canada

With the unusually high amount of people who know very little about Canadian Mopars, one would think the country was located in Eastern Europe. Due to this lack of knowledge we're publishing a list that has been floating around Canada for some time now

by Lee Ellison

that will surprise many Americans who thought all the rare Mopars were sold in the United States.

This list shows all 426 Hemi cars (give or take a few) sold NEW in Canada

from 1968-1971. As of yet, I've been unable to come up with any stats on 1966-1967 cars...as of yet. Take note of the quantity of convertibles listed.

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1968 Plymouth {41 units}
1968 Dodge {35 units}
1968 Total {76 units}

1968 Road Runner Coupe
{20 units}

RM21JBA117164	-	ONT
RM21JBA189884	Kitchener	ONT
RM21JBA195066	Bolton	ONT
RM21JBA195113	Bonaventure	BON
RM21JBA203826	Peterborough	ONT
RM21JBA216949	-	-
RM21JBA221147	-	-
RM21JBA250870	-	-
RM21JBA265763	Gold River	PQ
RM21JBA270960	-	-
RM21JBA273744	Orillia	ONT
RM21JBA273746	Grand B	-
RM21JBA274085	-	-
RM21JBA274418	-	-
RM21JBA274420	Yorkton	SASK
RM21JBA275092	-	-
RM21JBA275912	-	-
RM21JBA280085	Kitchener	ONT
RM21JBA280099	Cooksville	ONT
RM21JBA298018	Hamilton	ONT

1968 Road Runner HDTOP {6 units}

RM23JBA264150	Toronto	ONT
RM23JBA310428	Woss Lake	-
RM23JBA313926	Lorrette	-
RM23JBA321137	Thompson	MAN
RM23JBA325215	Weston	ONT
RM23JBA326768	Edmonton	ALTA

1968 GTX {11 units}

RS23JBA191152	Edmonton	ALTA
RS23JBA220399	Toronto	ONT
RS23JBA231649	Montreal	QUE
RS23JBA231672	Ottawa	ONT
RS23JBA261845	-	-
RS23JBA275143	Humboldt	SASK
RS23JBA275934	Esplanade	ONT
RS23JBA279352	Thetford Mines	QUE
RS23JBA286507	St. Vincent De Paul	-
RS23JBA289430	Scarborough	ONT
RS23JBA294411	Port Credit	ONT

1968 GTX Convertible {4 units}

RS27JBG128054	-	-
RS27JBG128055	-	-
RS27JBG186893	Ottawa	ONT
RS27JBG211586	Calgary	ALTA

1968 Super Bee Coupe {3 units}

WM21JBA276506	Calgary	ALTA
WM21JBA289130	Port Alberni	B.C.
WM21JBA290023	O K A	-

1968 R/T {8 units}

WS23JBA128789	London	ONT
WS23JBA190626	-	-
WS23JBA219282	Toronto	ONT
WS23JBA228891	Scarboro	-
WS23JBA244059	York Mills	-
WS23JBA274894	Kinistino	SASK
WS23JBA333061	-	-
WS23JBA339746	Hamilton	ONT

1968 R/T Convertible {2 units}

WS27JBG203015	Villemarie	QUE
WS27JBG235601	-	-

1968 Charger R/T {22 units}

XS29JBB157732	-	-
XS29JBB157734	-	-
XS29JBB182279	Drummondville	QUE
XS29JBB182279	Ft. McMurray	ALTA
XS29JBB182314	-	-
XS29JBB182355	Valcourt	-
XS29JBB184153	Victoria	B.C.
XS29JBB199099	Agincourt	-
XS29JBB199100	New Liskeard	ONT
XS29JBB215799	-	-
XS29JBB215802	-	-
XS29JBB215806	Vancouver	B.C.
XS29JBB227174	Stayner	ONT
XS29JBB233583	-	-
XS29JBB259503	Co. Labelle	QUE
XS29JBB275737	-	-
XS29JBB341119	Toronto	ONT
XS29JBB342326	Hinton	ALTA
XS29JBB350871	-	-
XS29JBB351578	Thorold	ONT
XS29JBB361177	-	-
XS29JBB361178	Toronto	ONT
XS29JBB370026	-	-

1969 Plymouth {54 units}
1969 Dodge {69 units}
1969 Total {123 units}

1969 Road Runner Coupe {22 units}

RM21JBA131684	Pointe Claire	QUE
RM21JBA147401	North Vancouver	B.C.
RM21JBA155602	Quesnel	B.C.
RM21JBA155619	-	-
RM21JBA158993	Centerville	-
RM21JBA175301	Drummondville	QUE
RM21JBA185730	-	-
RM21JBA187620	Yorkton	SASK
RM21JBA188944	Vancouver	B.C.
RM21JBA205005	-	-
RM21JBA223372	Centerville	-
RM21JBA225090	Calgary	ALTA
RM21JBA225989	Cookstown	ONT
RM21JBA235687	Montreal	QUE
RM21JBA236777	-	-
RM21JBA236778	Vancouver	B.C.
RM21JBA239501	Winnipeg	MAN
RM21JBA260188	Edmonton	ALTA
RM21JBA267188	Laval	-
RM21JBA267991	Barrie	ONT
RM21JBA290239	Carseland	-
RM21JBA299518	London	ONT

1969 Road Runner Hardtop {14 units}

RM23JBA131655	Quesnel	B.C.
RM23JBA137065	c/o Yamaska	-
RM23JBA149473	Hamilton	ONT
RM23JBA150553	Hamilton	ONT
RM23JBA165755	St. Laurent	MAN
RM23JBA188977	c/o Labelle	QUE
RM23JBA192691	Montreal	ALTA
RM23JBA193621	Calgary	-
RM23JBA199667	Mackenzie	-
RM23JBA243977	Regina	SASK
RM23JBA252280	Brampton	-
RM23JBA257461	Scarborough	ONT
RM23JBA276609	Newmarket	ONT
RM23JBA307057	-	-

1969 Road Runner Conv. {2 units}

RM27JBG181889	Mont Joli	QUE
RM27JBG213638	c/o Dorchester	NB

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1969 GTX {11 units}

RS23J9A147396	Prince Albert	SASK
RS23J9A155620	Toronto	ONT
RS23J9A181355	Taber	ALTA
RS23J9A185735	-	-
RS23J9A194342	Westlock	ALTA
RS23J9A225102	Brantford	ONT
RS23J9A235693	Tetereville	-
RS23J9A243031	Prince Rupert	B.C.
RS23J9A252266	Montreal	QUE
RS23J9A261374	Winnipeg	MAN
RS23J9A263634	Ottawa	ONT

1969 GTX Convertible {5 units}

RS27J9G120990	-	-
RS27J9G130461	-	-
RS27J9G233287	-	-
RS27J9G237827	Sillery Brown	-
RS27J9G247445	Guy	-

1969 Charger {1 unit}

XP29J9B298249	Chateaugay	QUE
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1969 Charger R/T {36 units}

XS29J9B159248	Montreal	QUE
XS29J9B168586	Knowlton	-
XS29J9B173320	Toronto	ONT
XS29J9B179899	Tottenham	ONT
XS29J9B188533	Downsview	-
XS29J9B197118	Iberville	QUE
XS29J9B204864	-	-
XS29J9B210096	-	-
XS29J9B214082	Kitchener	ONT
XS29J9B214096	St. Foy	QUE
XS29J9B215858	Hamilton	ONT
XS29J9B220655	-	-
XS29J9B225162	Winnipeg	MAN
XS29J9B236129	Gander	NFLD
XS29J9B237731	St. Foy	QUE
XS29J9B243687	Toronto	ONT
XS29J9B246856	Port Credit	ONT
XS29J9B280130	Trenton	ONT
XS29J9B282582	Edmonton	ALTA
XS29J9B288863	Giffard	QUE
XS29J9B291581	Stony Plain	-
XS29J9B291585	Moneton	N.B.
XS29J9B291598	Toronto	ONT
XS29J9B305158	Sudbury	ONT
XS29J9B308647	Cayuga	ONT
XS29J9B332043	Downsview	-
XS29J9B356294	Burlington	ONT
XS29J9B364273	Winfield	B.C.
XS29J9B367890	Mission City	B.C.
XS29J9B374824	Port Arthur	-
XS29J9B414622	-	-
XS29J9B414638	-	-
XS29J9B414639	-	-
XS29J9B414659	Buck Creek	ALTA
XS29J9B414660	Edmonton	ALTA
XS29J9B426557	Pierre Fonds	QUE

1969 Super Bee Coupe {12 units}

WM21J9A135230	Streetville	-
WM21J9A158402	Toronto	ONT
WM21J9A191385	-	-
WM21J9A193960	Chomedy	QUE
WM21J9A208292	Port Credit	ONT
WM21J9A240081	Toronto	ONT
WM21J9A250062	Lachine	QUE
WM21J9A251958	Brantford	ONT
WM21J9A265535	Edmonton	ALTA
WM21J9A273036	River John	N.S.
WM21J9A280185	Edmonton	ALTA
WM21J9A288486	Coobs	-

1969 Super Bee Hardtop {12 units}

WM23J9A135236	Richmond	ONT
WM23J9A142052	-	-
WM23J9A160533	Vancouver	B.C.
WM23J9A187389	Montreal	QUE
WM23J9A193908	Port Hardy	B.C.
WM23J9A211136	Oskotoks	ALTA
WM23J9A216806	Courtright	ONT
WM23J9A227663	Edmonton	ALTA
WM23J9A243625	-	-
WM23J9A250083	Toronto	ONT
WM23J9A265557	Montreal	QUE
WM23J9A269676	Victoria	B.C.

1969 R/T {4 units}

WS23J9A161594	Willowdale	-
WM23J9A189408	Weston	-
WM23J9A194789	Co St Jean	QUE
WM23J9A275073	Naughton	-

1969 R/T Convertible {4 units}

WS27J9G123856	-	-
WS27J9G228186	Ville St Laurent	QUE
WS27J9G276825	Montreal	QUE
WS27J9G276826	Etopticoke	ONT

1970 Plymouth { 67 units}

1970 Dodge { 46 units}

1970 Total {113 units}

1970 Hemi 'Cuda {44 units}

BS23R0B11658	Ste Felix de King	-
BS23R0B135009	-	-
BS23R0B144858	Barrie	-
BS23R0B146391	Pentlton	-
BS23R0B146392	Prince George	-
BS23R0B146393	Vancouver	-
BS23R0B146394	New Westminster	-
BS23R0B146406	Cap de La	-
BS23R0B146407	Madeleine	-
BS23R0B146410	Lorette Ville	-
BS23R0B146413	Arthabaska	-

BS23R0B146415	Waterloo	-
BS23R0B146416	Kingston	-
BS23R0B146419	West Hill	-
BS23R0B199546	-	-
BS23R0B199547	Ville Danjou	-
BS23R0B203681	-	-
BS23R0B214230	North Surrey	-
BS23R0B214232	Vancouver	B.C.
BS23R0B214234	Edmonton	ALTA
BS23R0B214239	Ste Foy	QUE
BS23R0B214244	Donsview	-
BS23R0B216394	Lethbridge	ALTA
BS23R0B217714	Weston	ONT
BS23R0B219183	Beausejour	QUE
BS23R0B221317	Regina	SASK
BS23R0B223570	Stone Creek	ONT
BS23R0B224862	Winnipeg	MAN
BS23R0B225045	Winnipeg	MAN
BS23R0B226991	Regina	SASK
BS23R0B226996	Gatineau	QUE
BS23R0B226997	New Hamburg	ONT
BS23R0B228118	-	-
BS23R0B237987	-	-
BS23R0B256673	Welland	ONT
BS23R0B256674	Rexdale	ONT
BS23R0B256768	-	-
BS23R0B272417	Whonnock	B.C.
BS23R0B272439	Winnipeg	MAN
BS23R0B272440	Winnipeg	MAN
BS23R0B280828	Co Champlain	QUE
BS23R0B283657	Vancouver	B.C.
BS23R0B283660	Ottawa	ONT
BS23R0B283661	Cobourg	ONT
BS23R0B342046	Burnaby	-

1970 Hemi 'Cuda Convertible {3 units}

BS27R0B156924	-	-
BS27R0B290994	Port Alberni	B.C.
BS27R0B305097	West Vancouver	B.C.

1970 Challenger R/T {19 units}

JH23R0B154669	Woodside	-
JH23R0B157471	Ottawa	ONT
JH23R0B164966	Burnaby	-
JH23R0B171582	Fruitland	-
JH23R0B182443	Islington	-
JH23R0B182464	Whitby	ONT
JH23R0B184511	St. Guillaume	-
JH23R0B195108	Verdun	QUE
JH23R0B211165	Richmond Hill	ONT
JH23R0B216691	Vancouver	B.C.
JH23R0B216696	London	-
JH23R0B232721	-	-
JH23R0B234749	Calgary	ALTA
JH23R0B236836	-	-
JH23R0B239663	Kitchener	ONT
JH23R0B264070	-	-
JH23R0B270393	Toronto	ONT
JH23R0B272564	Quebec	QUE
JH23R0B303807	Vancouver	B.C.

1970 Challenger R/T Conv. {3 units}

JS27R0B171594	Western Shore	-
JS27R0B221640	Bale Comeau	QUE
JS27R0B332575	Toronto	ONT

1970 Challenger R/T SE {4 units}

JS29R0B155504	Amos	QUE
JS29R0B157452	Ancaster	-
JS29R0B159639	Chesley	ONT
JS29R0B212418	Creston	B.C.

1970 Road Runner Coupe {7 units}

RM21R0A116178	Pointe Claire	QUE
RM21R0A155716	Sault Ste Marie	ONT
RM21R0A159590	Winnipeg	MAN
RM21R0A161538	Kingston	ONT
RM21R0A178005	Invermere	B.C.
RM21R0A179505	Port Alberni	B.C.
RM21R0A194027	-	-

1970 Road Runner Hardtop {7 units}

RM23R0A155728	Woodstock	ONT
RM23R0A155800	Maple Grove	ONT
RM23R0A158577	Saskatoon	SASK
RM23R0A161544*	Revelstoke	ONT
RM23R0A172690	Catche Bay	ONT
RM23R0A215775	Sardis	B.C.
RM23R0A218096	Prince Albert	ONT

*Superbird # 1465

1970 Road Runner Convertible {1 unit}

RM27R0G157561	Willowdale	in SASK now
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1970 GTX {5 units}

RS23R0A155660	Coleman	ALTA
RS23R0A161512	Calgary	ALTA
RS23R0A205184	Carlisle	-
RS23R0A205242	Vancouver	B.C.
RS23R0A207353	Wildwood	ALTA

1970 Superbee Coupe {4 units}

WM21R0A145790	Surrey	N.B.
WM21R0A158042	Pierceland	SASK
WM21R0A193064	-	-
WM21R0A203932	Abbotsford	B.C.

1970 Superbee Hardtop {2 units}

WM23R0A135781	Winnipeg	MAN
WM23R0A206203	Dysland	-

1970 Coronet R/T {1 unit}

WS23R0A114547	Eaden	MAN
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1970 Coronet R/T Convertible {1 unit}

WS27R0G140258	Montreal	QUE
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1970 Charger R/T {12 units}

XS29R0G118913	Selkirk	ONT
XS29R0G119914	Theftford Mves	QUE
XS29R0G126194	Montreal	QUE
XS29R0G126913	St. Thomas	ONT
XS29R0G175174	Port Alberni	B.C.
XS29R0G175967	-	-
XS29R0G175968	St. Michael	-
XS29R0G176854	Ottawa	ONT
XS29R0G186041	-	-
XS29R0G204389	Site Therese	QUE
XS29R0G221837	Waterloo	ONT
XS29R0G222965	The Pas	MAN

1971 Plymouth {19 units}

1971 Dodge {17 units}

1971 Total {36 units}

1971 Hemi'Cuda {11 units}

BS23R1B158974	Scarborough	ONT
BS23R1B202797	Fairport Beach	-
BS23R1B204543	St. Philbert Beauce	-
BS23R1B220743	Coquitlam	B.C.
BS23R1B225775	Preston	ONT
BS23R1B242209	Smithers	B.C.
BS23R1B269560	Pointe Aux	-
BS23R1B327830	Moncton	N.B.
BS23R1B331158	LaFleche	P.Q.
BS23R1B337552	Eloise	SASK
BS23R1B355499	Dorval	QUE

1971 Hemi'Cuda Convertible {2 units}

BS27R1B777777	-	ONT
BS27R1B37185	Belle River	ONT

1971 Challenger R/T {5 units}

J523R1B144517	Montreal	QUE
J523R1B211139	Crane Valley	SASK
J523R1B242274	Lavel	QUE
J523R1B251607	Belleville	ONT
J523R1B777777	-	-

1971 Road Runner {4 units}

RM23R1R146091	Edmonton	ALTA
RM23R1R183453	Kenora	ONT
RM23R1R228903	-	-
RM23R1R248170	Vancouver	B.C.

1971 GTX {2 units}

RS23R1R161562	-	-
RS23R1R206262	Regina	SASK

1971 Charger R/T {12 units}

WS23R1A115506	Repentigny	QUE
WS23R1A115560	Medicine Hat	ALTA
WS23R1A115561	-	-
WS23R1A115562	-	-
WS23R1A115563	-	-
WS23R1A115564	Burdett	ALTA
WS23R1A115565	-	-
WS23R1A135390	Prince George	B.C.
WS23R1A139912	Moncton	N.B.
WS23R1A149428	Toronto	ONT
WS23R1A165242	Mississauga	ONT
WS23R1A186180	Malartic	QUE

A few informative footnotes:

Doug Ayns' 1968 Road Runner Coupe (#159179) is an early Hemi VIN # but is not on the list (the car was in a wrecking yard for several years without the owner knowing).

At least three Daytonas, one in Western Canada, one in Eastern Canada, and one in Central Canada (found last year behind a barn) have been located and are now back in circulation.

At least one Charger 500 sold in Port Credit, Ontario took almost two years to sell when new!

There is a 1967 Coronet Deluxe two-door (not an R/T) Hemi automatic on the column.

At least three 1966 Satellite convertibles came to Ontario.

Well, were you surprised at the convertible stats? Twenty-seven in all. We Canadians are quite proud!

The rarest car on the list is, of course, a 1970 Hemi Coronet R/T, of which only 1 was built (so they tell us). The car was sold new in Montreal, Quebec and later found in a wrecking yard in Ottawa. What do they say, "One man's trash is another man's treasure." The car was saved, restored and sold to a U.S. collector a few years ago.

My home town of Barrie, Ontario was the first stop for a red and white billboard '71 'Cuda convertible, sold and rep'd twice by Centennial Plymouth Chrysler. Oh, by the way, we Canadians will make you Americans

a deal... we won't say "Chicago, United States of America" if you won't say Barrie, Canada" (sorry, I get off topic quite easily).

Anyway, my brother Andy (a G.M. man) says the 'Cuda is still the only car to scare the living hell out of him when he went for a ride in it at age 16. Oh yes, if it sounds familiar, it's the same 'Cuda featured in magazines of late, which also returned to the States (darn, lost another one).

I am the proud owner of a '69 Charger R/T (#356294 Burlington, Ontario). Bought new, the car was traded in three months later (seems the school teacher did not like the way it rode on a trip to Florida and back). When the car was only three months old, it was bought by Bob Ellis from Kennedy Ford in Oakville, Ontario. Bob kept the car for an amazing 20 years without letting it see a winter before I purchased it in 1989. Oh, by the way, Bob paid \$3,100 for the car in 1969!

A couple of more amusing points to do with the list was the time a few of us were at a swap meet up here and found a white Air Grabber hood off of a '70 Road Runner lying on the ground with the "Hemi" insert in the back. The owner explained he took it off to bring here just before he crushed the car in Northern Ontario in about 1985!

Niyel Mills of National Moparts purchased a four-speed transmission from an individual then, to his shock, read the VIN # WS27J8 (Hemi code) on the side. To his dismay, it had long been crushed!

The last car probably has the most interesting story - a 1966 Coronet Deluxe four-door automatic.

For years, as the Coronet toured U.S. Mopar shows in the late '70s and early '80s, it was believed to be 1 of 2 that existed, but as 2 were discovered almost together in the late '80s in the U.S., it turned out that the Canadian car was not counted in the original stats.

It was bought new in Huntsville, Ontario by a vet and was owned for years by one of the biggest Mopar fanatics I have ever met, Len Weiler. It now lies in pieces while the new owner tries to trade it for the Trump Plaza (so he thinks).

Well, I hope we have enlightened a few readers with some of the "gifts" that we Canadians once received. I would like to thank Rick Simpson of Southern Connection and Niyel Mills of National Moparts for their input.

If any of our readers can match their VIN# to the list and help us fill it in, please let us know.

Features in upcoming issues will include some of the cars as well as an interesting article on many rare parts made in Canada for all cars. Stay tuned to MCG.