TEST RESULTS





Toyota Corolla Verso			
RATING	SCORE		
	35 Front: 15 Side: 16	Seatbelt reminder: 2 Pole: 2	
	37		
	11		

Adult occupant protection





Side impact driver



Frontal impact driver

Child restraints

18 month old Child	Britax Roemer Baby-safe, rearward facing
3 year old Child	Britax Roemer Duo Plus, forward facing

Safety equipment

Front seatbelt pretensioners	
Front seatbelt load limiters	
Driver frontal airbag	
Front passenger frontal airbag	
Side body airbags	
Side head airbags	
Driver knee airbag	

Car details

Pedestrian protection No image car front available

Hand of drive	LHD
Tested model	Toyota Corolla Verso 1.8
Body type	SMALL MPV
Year of publication	2004
Kerb weight	1410
VIN from which rating applies	NMTEZ16R80R002159 NMTER16R40R010078 NMTEX16R20R007041

Comments

The Corolla Verso proved itself to be extremely stable, providing good protection for occupants. It missed out by just one point on a maximum safety score for frontal impact. The frontal airbag system is dual-stage, detecting the driver's size using a seat position sensor. The knee airbag deploys for crashes above 25kph and gives good protection. Intelligent seat belt reminders are fitted for those in the front. The restraint for the older child used ISOFIX anchorages and a top tether but protection for his chest was weak. Pedestrian protection was limited and no special efforts were made to protect knees and upper legs.

Front impact

The restraint systems, which include dual-stage tethered airbags for the driver and front passenger and belts fitted with pretensioners and load limiters, worked well although impact forces acting on the driver's chest were a little high. There has been much design effort to improve protection for the driver's knees and upper legs and the knee airbag worked well. There was minor distortion of the door aperture but the footwell suffered only minimal intrusion. All safety belts were three-point.

Side impact

A very impressive side impact protection system included seat mounted thorax airbags and a head curtain airbag, which also protected those seated in the rear.

Child occupant

The 3-year-old used a forward facing Toyota-branded Britax Romer Duo Plus. This was fitted using the ISOFIX anchorages and top tether. The restraint used by the 18 month old was a rear facing Toyota branded Britax Romer Baby-Safe. This was fitted using the car's adult belt. The children's heads were well protected in the side impact but in the frontal impact the chest load on the older child

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was high. Permanent labels fitted to both sides of the passenger's sun visor warned against placing a child in a rear facing seat opposite an airbag.

Pedestrian

Protection was limited, with none from the bumper or bonnet's leading edge. But the centre of the bonnet showed some softness to cushion adult and child heads.