

# Under the Hood



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## Key Factoids:

The windshield wiper was patented in 1905 by a woman – Mary Anderson

USA average gasoline price is 3.57 / gallon (as of June 27), with the least expensive in South Carolina. The Canadian average is 122.0 Can c/L, with the least expensive in Manitoba.

Inflation rose 3.6% over the last 12 months. Core CPI only rose 1.5%.

Current (June 2011) unemployment rate in the USA is 9.1%, while in Canada it is 7.4%

## Power Box

Entering a new vehicle is very quick and easy with the Internet AutoParts Power Box:

Model	Description
G1500 VAN	
F150 PICKUP	
MUSTANG	
MALIBU	
TAHOE	
INTREPID	
TAURUS	water pump
TAHOE	
INTREPID	
DEVILLE	

Power Box [See examples](#)

Search Vehicle [ ] Select Vehicle [ ] Reset [ ]

VIN or Year Model (Make optional) ex: 98 tau f

\* Year: Select Year [v]  
\* Make: [v]  
\* Model: [v]  
\* Engine: [v]

The Power Box can be used to enter a VIN or an abbreviated Year / Model combination. The following shows entering the VIN for a 2006 Ford Explorer V6:

Power Box [See examples](#)

Search Vehicle [1FMEU63E86UA8331C] Select Vehicle [ ] Reset [ ]

VIN or Year Model (Make optional) ex: 98 tau f

\* Year: 2006 [v]  
\* Make: FORD TRUCK [v]  
\* Model: EXPLORER [v]  
\* Engine: V6-245 4.0L SOHC [v]  
V8-281 4.6L SOHC [v]

Entering a vehicle using an abbreviated Year and Make, simplifies vehicle entry. Let's say that a 2000 Ford Truck, F150 V6 4.6L needs to be entered. In this case, the Service Dealer can enter "00 F150" into the power box as shown below:



After pressing "Select Vehicle", the system provides the Service Dealer with the Year, Make, Model information, only needing the engine to be selected as the final step:



## Technical Tip

**Q: Is it possible to have the part cost information not shown on the screen?**

A: Yes! At the bottom of the Parts List and Quote page(s) is a \$ button. This button acts like a three-way toggle:  
 a.) typically it will show the Service Dealer Cost and List Price;  
 b.) pressing it once will display List Price Only;  
 c.) pressing it again will show a "coded" Service Dealer cost and List Price. This can be set to a permanent preference in My Profile.



Internet AutoParts makes it easy and convenient to get the correct vehicle identified as quickly as possible with minimal margin for error, so the Service Dealer can start looking up parts for the specific vehicle.

## Suggestions

As mentioned in previous newsletters, IAP is looking for suggestions from both the Distributor and the Service Dealer. Please use the following email address to send them to:

[suggestions@iapshop.com](mailto:suggestions@iapshop.com)

