

Toyota Planning to Recall 300,000 Prius Cars?

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According to published reports, Toyota is planning to recall some 300,000 Prius vehicles worldwide to repair a brake problem. The manufacturer supposedly will notify the U.S. and Japanese governments today. Toyota has already recalled more than 7 million other cars for repairs in the U.S. and other countries over a sticky accelerator and floor mats that can get caught in the gas pedal.

General Motors said yesterday that it will start shipping parts to dealers soon to fix about 99,000 2009-2010 Pontiac Vibes equipped with the same sticky gas pedal systems as Toyota's. The Vibe is virtually the same car as a Toyota Matrix. The Vibe also is covered by the floor mat recall, and GM is urging customers to take out removable mats and put them in the trunk until a fix is ready.