Subject: Re: What new car to buy (for me)
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It was still true in the 90's and early 00's, to a certain extent, I mean, just look at the earlier Aveo (it's still for sale along with the redesigned sedan, by the way, but I expect it to be replaced sometime this fall (spy shots back that up)), the Montana and crap cars like that.

We have three GM vehicles - a Malibu ('05) (it's not exactly great nor is it as bad as the Montana) but I'm also under the impression they put the SS engine in it by accident, because it does 0 to 60 in fucking 4 seconds or so), the Montana and the redesigned Aveo/Wave (Wave lacks some of the exterior feature the Aveo has, especially in the rear, but has a much sexier dash). The Montana is a rusting shitmobile, airbags aren't always on, and a bunch of things on it broke down not too long ago. Given, it has 160K KM on the counter, but these issues were 'expected'. He uses it like a pickup and we rarely use it to go anywhere unless necessary. His last car was a Jeep Cherokee, he had it for about 16 years, front driver seat couldn't hold itself at all, it was rather hilarious. Point is post-03 GM vehicles are worthy (not the best, but better than the predecessors), turn-around vehicles are even better. I personally can't wait to check-out the 2008 Malibu in person along with the G8, and yes, check-out also involves driving (http://www.blogsmithmedia.com/www.autoblog.com/media/2007/07/g8prototype\_002.jpg = G8).

Chrysler... I'd wait two years before buying anything from them, they need to redesign their interiors and improve quality control on the assembly lines.