



2005 Ford Five Hundred SEL

vs.

2005 Honda Accord LX V-6



Advantages over Honda Accord

Out-accelerates the competition

- Five Hundred out-performs a 250-horsepower engine** — in recent performance testing against key competitors, the 203-horsepower Five Hundred was better than vehicles with more horsepower than Honda Accord, such as the 250-horsepower Chrysler 300
- Continuously Variable Transmission (CVT)** — provides key advantages over a conventional 4- or 5-speed "step" automatic transmission, including:
 - Enhanced performance
 - Smooth shifting
 - Improved fuel economy*Not available on Accord*
- First-in-class⁽¹⁾ 6-speed Automatic Transmission** — with a wide ratio span, provides torque on demand for quick acceleration in low gear while the high gear provides excellent fuel economy for highway driving. *Not available on Accord*

Commanding and confident ride

- Volvo platform (XC90, S60, S80)** — provides a stiff, solid foundation that allows the suspension to be tuned for a smooth ride and excellent handling characteristics. *Accord is not built on a Volvo platform*
- The most upright seating position in its class and the highest seating position in its class with the class-exclusive Command Seating™** — provides a better view of the road and easier entry and exit. *Accord does not have Command Seating*
- Available All-Wheel Drive** — can send continuous power to all four wheels to provide maximum traction in all types of weather conditions and on all types of road surfaces. *Not available on Accord*
- Larger disc brake rotors** — provide smooth, controlled stops with little pedal effort. Five Hundred (front 12.4 in./rear 13.0 in.); *Accord (front 11.1 in./rear 10.2 in.)*
- Wider front and rear track** — helps contribute to precise handling and confident steering control. Five Hundred (front 64.6 in./rear 65.0 in.); *Accord (front 61.1 in./rear 61.2 in.)*
- Self-leveling rear shocks** — on All-Wheel Drive models automatically "pump up" the rear of the vehicle if it is loaded with passengers or cargo to help maintain optimal ride height for consistent handling and proper headlamp aim. *Not available on Accord*
- 17-inch cast aluminum wheels with low-profile tires** — do not "flex" as much while cornering, adding to the already precise handling of Five Hundred. *Accord has standard 16-inch aluminum wheels with wheel covers*

Innovative safety

- Class-exclusive⁽¹⁾ SPACE (Side Protection And Cabin Enhancement) Architecture™** — helps protect occupants in the event of a side-impact collision by redirecting crash energy away from the passengers, allowing the vehicle body structure to absorb the crash forces. *Accord does not have SPACE Architecture*
- Safety Canopy™ side curtain airbags with rollover protection** — protects front and rear outboard seated occupants in the event of a side-impact or rollover accident. *The side curtain airbags in Accord do not offer rollover protection*
- Patent-pending front bumper plate** — promotes a more even collapse of the energy-absorbing structures helping to keep the impact forces away from passengers. *Not available on Accord*
- Patent-pending collapsible driveshaft (AWD)** — allows the driveshaft to absorb some of the crash energy and helps prevent driveshaft intrusion into the passenger compartment. *Not available on Accord*

Best-in-class⁽¹⁾ interior room and versatility

- Best-in-class passenger volume**
- Five Hundred has the largest trunk of any sedan**
- Best-in-class rear head and leg room**
 - Fold-down front passenger seatback** — provides 9 feet of flat loadfloor from the trunk to the instrument panel to accommodate extra-long items. *Not available on Accord*
 - Reverse Sensing System** — detects certain objects to the rear of the vehicle while backing up. *Not available on Accord*
 - Driver's-door-mounted keypad** — allows the vehicle to be unlocked without the use of the key or key fob. *Accord does not offer this convenient feature*

Functional styling

- Fog lamps** — add to the exterior appearance of Five Hundred while also helping to increase visibility in inclement weather. *Not available on Accord*

= Key Ford advantage.
 (1) Class is standard 5-passenger large cars.

Honda Accord

The Accord Sedan is positioned as sporty, fun to drive and amazingly reliable.

What's New for 2005

- New hybrid version available
- New wheel cover design
- New coin pocket design
- Improved rear-end styling through new taillamp design
- Illuminated steering controls

Key Selling Features

- Honda reputation for quality
- On *Car & Driver's* 10Best list
- 240-horsepower V-6 engine
- 5-speed automatic transmission
- Navigation system with voice recognition
- XM satellite radio

Accord Advantages over Five Hundred

- **Navigation system with voice recognition** — *not available on Five Hundred*
- **XM satellite radio** — *not available on Five Hundred*
- **Power moonroof** — Standard on Accord. *Optional on Five Hundred*

Note: Photos may not represent exact vehicle or selected equipment.
 For feature availability, refer to the latest Dealer Ordering Guide.

Specification Comparison

2005 Ford Five Hundred SEL		VERSUS	2005 Honda Accord LX V-6	
	3.0L DOHC V-6 203 @ 5750 207 @ 4500	STANDARD ENGINE HORSEPOWER (SAE net @ rpm) TORQUE (lb.-ft. @ rpm)		3.0L SOHC V-6 240 @ 6250 212 @ 5000
✓	Electronically Controlled 6-speed Automatic Transmission (FWD)	STANDARD TRANSMISSION/ TRANSAXLE		Electronically Controlled 5-speed Automatic Transaxle
✓	Continuously Variable Transmission (CVT) (AWD)			
	Independent MacPherson Struts with Coil Springs and Stabilizer Bar	FRONT SUSPENSION		Independent Double Wishbone with Coil Springs, Shock Absorbers and Stabilizer Bar
✓	Independent Multi-link Design with Coil Springs, Shock Absorbers and Stabilizer Bar/ Self-leveling Rear Shock Absorbers (AWD)	REAR SUSPENSION		Independent Five-link Double Wishbone with Coil Springs, Shock Absorbers and Stabilizer Bar
✓	Front-wheel Drive/ All-Wheel Drive	LAYOUT		Front-wheel Drive
	Power Disc/Disc with Anti-lock Braking System (ABS) and Electronic Brake Force Distribution (EBD)	BRAKING SYSTEM		Power Disc/Disc with Anti-lock Braking System (ABS) and Electronic Brake Force Distribution (EBD)
	Power Rack-and-pinion	STEERING		Power Speed-sensitive Variable-assist Rack-and-pinion
✓	Dual-stage Driver and Front Passenger Airbag Supplemental Restraint System (SRS), Optional Safety Canopy™ Side Curtain Airbags with Rollover Protection and Front Seat Side-impact Airbags	AIRBAGS		Dual-stage Front Airbag Supplemental Restraint System (SRS), Side Curtain Airbags and Front Seat Side-impact Airbags
DIMENSIONS (All dimensions are in inches unless otherwise noted.)				
✓	112.9	WHEELBASE		107.9
✓	200.7	OVERALL LENGTH		189.5
✓	61.5	OVERALL HEIGHT		57.1
✓	74.5	OVERALL WIDTH		71.5
	5	SEATING CAPACITY		5
✓	64.6/65.0	TREAD WIDTH (F/R)		61.1/61.2
✓	39.4/ 38.7	HEAD ROOM (F/R)		40.4/38.5
✓	57.8/57.6	SHOULDER ROOM (F/R)		56.9/56.1
✓	53.7/ 53.7	HIP ROOM (F/R)		54.6/53.5
✓	41.3/ 41.3	LEG ROOM (F-max./R-min.)		42.6/36.8
✓	107.5	PASSENGER VOLUME (cu. ft.)		102.7
✓	21.2	LUGGAGE CAPACITY (cu. ft.)		14.0
✓	19.0	FUEL TANK CAPACITY (gal.)		17.1
	3664 (FWD) 3814 (AWD)	BASE CURB WEIGHT (lbs.)		3349
	1000	TRAILER TOWING (max. lbs.) ⁽¹⁾		1000
	21/29 (FWD) 20/27 (AWD)	EPA ESTIMATED MPG (city/hwy) ⁽²⁾		21/30
	\$24,795 (FWD) \$26,495 (AWD)	PRICE (MSRP)*		\$24,315
	3 years/36,000 miles	BASIC WARRANTY		3 years/36,000 miles
	3 years/36,000 miles	POWERTRAIN WARRANTY		3 years/36,000 miles
	5 years/unlimited mileage	CORROSION WARRANTY		5 years/unlimited mileage
✓	3 years/36,000 miles	ROADSIDE ASSISTANCE		Not available

Bold and ✓ = Ford advantage.

(1) Properly equipped.

(2) With standard powertrain.

* Includes base MSRP, destination charge, and option package if applicable. Title, tax and registration fees extra. Package contents and price may vary by region and are subject to change. Check your Ford pricing information for the most current incentives on your vehicles.

Feature Availability Comparison

	Five Hundred SEL	Accord LX		Five Hundred SEL	Accord LX
All-Wheel Drive (AWD)	O	NA	Self-leveling rear shocks (AWD)	S	NA
Continuously Variable Transmission (CVT) (AWD)	S	NA	Fog lamps	S	NA
6-speed automatic transmission (FWD)	S	NA	17-inch aluminum wheels	S	NA
Keyless entry keypad	S	NA	Roadside Assistance	S	NA

S = Standard O = Optional NA = Not available



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