

In July 2009 the Agency carried out 56803 vehicle full tests and 12873 vehicle retests totalling 69676 vehicle tests.

12175 vehicle full tests and 880 vehicle retests failed the test with 25351 defects detected. The table below shows the top 12 reasons for failing the test.

Failure reason description		Number of defects
1	Brake system.	5809
2	Suspension system.	4277
3	Electrical System: including Battery; Lights; Wiring; Horn; Wipers; Washers.	3953
4	Brakes Performance: including Efficiency imbalance.	2084
5	Wheels, Tyres & Hubs.	1757
6	Headlamp Alignment N/S Headlamp.	1577
7	Headlamp Alignment O/S Headlamp.	1549
8	Body & Chassis: including attachments.	1199
9	Steering system.	1188
10	Fuel & exhaust system.	761
11	Plates: including registration plate VIN plate.	645
12	Vehicle Interior: including Seats; Seat belts & anchorage; Speedometer; Mirrors; Windscreen & windows.	552
Total number of defects detected		25351