

In August 2009 the Agency carried out 56295 vehicle full tests and 11715 vehicle retests totalling 68010 vehicle tests.

12294 vehicle full tests and 790 vehicle retests failed the test with 25574 defects detected. The table below shows the top 12 reasons for failing the test.

Failure reason description		Number of defects
1	Brake system.	5830
2	Suspension system.	4349
3	Electrical System: including Battery; Lights; Wiring; Horn; Wipers; Washers.	3940
4	Brakes Performance: including Efficiency imbalance.	2046
5	Wheels, Tyres & Hubs.	1811
6	Headlamp Alignment N/S Headlamp.	1576
7	Headlamp Alignment O/S Headlamp.	1564
8	Body & Chassis: including attachments.	1334
9	Steering system.	1152
10	Fuel & exhaust system.	802
11	Plates: including registration plate VIN plate.	621
12	Vehicle Interior: including Seats; Seat belts & anchorage; Speedometer; Mirrors; Windscreen & windows.	549
Total number of defects detected		25574