

In September 2009 the Agency carried out 67068 vehicle full tests and 13763 vehicle retests totalling 80831 vehicle tests.

14435 vehicle full tests and 863 vehicle retests failed the test with 29844 defects detected. The table below shows the top 12 reasons for failing the test.

Failure reason description		Number of defects
1	Brake system.	6966
2	Suspension system.	5108
3	Electrical System: including Battery; Lights; Wiring; Horn; Wipers; Washers.	4563
4	Brakes Performance: including Efficiency imbalance.	2411
5	Wheels, Tyres & Hubs.	2044
6	Headlamp Alignment N/S Headlamp.	1763
7	Headlamp Alignment O/S Headlamp.	1740
8	Body & Chassis: including attachments.	1495
9	Steering system.	1415
10	Fuel & exhaust system.	932
11	Plates: including registration plate VIN plate.	763
12	Vehicle Interior: including Seats; Seat belts & anchorage; Speedometer; Mirrors; Windscreen & windows.	644
Total number of defects detected		29844