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# Toyota Prius Owners Experience The "Unexpected Adventure" Of Sudden, Unintended Acceleration

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When a Toyota Prius experience sudden, unintended acceleration, many reports call it "an unexpected adventure." We seem to recall v Jeeps did the sa thing they were called "death tri and "dangerous deadly."

While it's likely a few Prius models have experienced strange mechanical issues, the

evidence is primarily anecdotal. Of course, most mechanical "issues" usually start out :  
"anecdotal." Regardless, let's take the story of [REDACTED] Note our emphasis:

The car had a "cute little body" that [REDACTED] loved, and she reveled in driving like a "nerdy Prius owner," *watching the energy usage display on the car's center console*, trying to drain every possible mile from a gallon of gasoline. [...] Traffic near the [REDACTED] was congested but moving, and [REDACTED] kept the Prius pegged at 60 mph, *constantly looking at the console to manage her consumption*.

Suddenly, she felt the car hydroplaning out of control, and when she glanced at the speedometer she realized the car had up to 84 mph. [REDACTED] wasn't hydroplaning; quite simply, her Prius had accelerated on its own.

Gee, you think those two things — "constantly looking at the console" and "hydroplaning out of control" might be linked? Regardless, Toyota's response was to replace the floor mats, which they say can interfere with the gas pedal. Still, there's no doubt the Prius a silent killer.

[Houston Press]

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