SUBARU OUTBACK

AUS: MARCH 2021 - OCTOBER 2025
NZ: FEBRUARY 2021 - MARCH 2026
ALL VARIANTS

ANCAP SAFETY

TESTED 2021 ★★★★★



RATING YEAR	2021
VEHICLE TYPE	Large SUV
ENGINE TYPE	Petrol
BUILT FROM	December 2020 - August 2025
ON SALE FROM	NZ: February 2021 - March 2026 AUS: March 2021 - October 2025
SERIES	B-7
AIRBAGS	Dual frontal, side chest, side head, driver knee

The Subaru Outback was introduced in New Zealand in February 2021 and Australia in March 2021. This ANCAP safety rating applies to all variants built from December 2020.

Dual frontal, side chest and side head-protecting airbags and a driver knee airbag are standard. A centre airbag to prevent occupant-to-occupant interaction is not available.

Autonomous emergency braking (Car-to-Car, Vulnerable Road User, Junction Assist and Backover), as well as a lane support system with lane keep assist (LKA), lane departure warning (LDW) and emergency lane keeping (ELK), and an advanced speed assistance system (SAS) are standard on all variants.

88%	91%	84%	96%
ADULT OCCUPANT PROTECTION	CHILD OCCUPANT PROTECTION	VULNERABLE ROAD USER PROTECTION	SAFETY ASSIST

RATING APPLICABILITY

VARIANT	BODY TYPE	ENGINE	DRIVETRAIN	AUS	NZ
Subaru Outback 2.5	5 door wagon	2.5 litre petrol	AWD	✓	✓
Subaru Outback 2.5 Sport	5 door wagon	2.5 litre petrol	AWD	✓	-
Subaru Outback 2.5 X	5 door wagon	2.5 litre petrol	AWD	-	✓
Subaru Outback 2.5 Touring	5 door wagon	2.5 litre petrol	AWD	✓	✓
Subaru Outback 2.4 Sport XT	5 door wagon	2.4 litre petrol	AWD	✓	-
Subaru Outback 2.4 Touring XT	5 door wagon	2.4 litre petrol	AWD	✓	-
Subaru Outback 2.4 XT	5 door wagon	2.4 litre petrol	AWD	-	✓
Subaru Outback 2.4 XT Touring	5 door wagon	2.4 litre petrol	AWD	-	✓

ADULT OCCUPANT PROTECTION

88%
33.56 POINTS
OUT OF 38

The passenger compartment of the Subaru Outback remained stable in the frontal offset (MPDB) test. Protection of the driver's chest was MARGINAL and lower legs was ADEQUATE, with GOOD protection offered to all other critical body regions. Protection of the front passenger dummy was GOOD for all critical body regions. The front structure of the Subaru Outback presented a moderate risk to occupants of an oncoming vehicle in this test (which evaluates vehicle-to-vehicle compatibility), and a 1.72 point penalty was applied.

In the full width frontal test, protection of the driver dummy was GOOD for all critical body areas. Protection was MARGINAL for the chest of the rear passenger with GOOD protection offered to all other critical body regions

In the side impact and oblique pole tests, protection offered to all critical body regions was GOOD and the Subaru Outback scored maximum points in these tests.

Prevention of excursion (movement towards the other side of the vehicle) in the far side impact tests was assessed as ADEQUATE for the vehicle-to-vehicle impact scenario and the vehicle-to-pole scenario. A centre airbag or other countermeasure to prevent contact between the heads of front seat occupants in side impacts is not available on the Subaru Outback.

A Rescue Sheet, providing information for first responders in the event of a crash, and a multi-collision braking system are available.

FRONTAL OFFSET (MPDB)#	6.40	(out of 8)
FULL WIDTH FRONTAL#	7.40	(out of 8)
SIDE IMPACT#	6.00	(out of 6)
OBLIQUE POLE#	6.00	(out of 6)
WHIPLASH PROTECTION	3.76	(out of 4)
FAR SIDE IMPACT	2.00	(out of 4)
RESCUE & EXTRICATION	2.00	(out of 2)

Scaled scores. Total test scored out of 16.00 points.

FRONTAL OFFSET (MPDB) (50km/h)





DRIVER

Head / neck:	4.00 pts
Chest:	2.65 pts
Upper legs:	4.00 pts
Lower legs:	3.87 pts
Deductions:	Nil

FRONT PASSENGER

Head / neck:	4.00 pts
Chest:	4.00 pts
Upper legs:	4.00 pts
Lower legs:	4.00 pts
Deductions:	Nil

COMPATIBILITY

Deductions: -1.72 pts

FULL WIDTH FRONTAL (50km/h)



DRIVER

Head:	4.00 pts
Neck:	4.00 pts
Chest:	4.00 pts
Upper legs:	4.00 pts
Deductions:	Nil

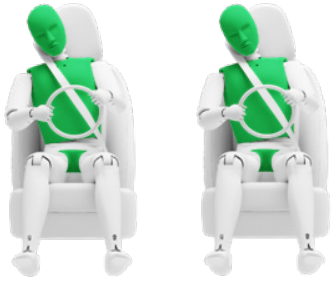
REAR PASSENGER

Head:	4.00 pts
Neck:	4.00 pts
Chest:	1.61 pts
Upper legs:	4.00 pts
Deductions:	Nil

RESCUE & EXTRICATION

Rescue Sheet	●	No penalty
Door Opening	●	No penalty
Multi-Collision Braking	●	1.00 pt
Advanced eCall	✕	1.00 pt default

SIDE IMPACT OBLIQUE POLE



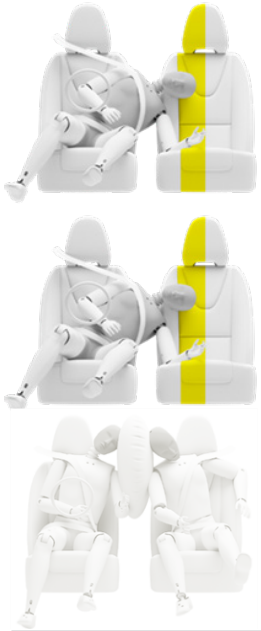
SIDE IMPACT (MDB) (60km/h)

Head:	4.00 pts
Chest:	4.00 pts
Abdomen:	4.00 pts
Pelvis:	4.00 pts
Deductions:	Nil

OBLIQUE POLE (32km/h)

Head:	4.00 pts
Chest:	4.00 pts
Abdomen:	4.00 pts
Pelvis:	4.00 pts
Deductions:	Nil

FAR SIDE IMPACT



SIDE IMPACT (MDB)

Head:	2.00 pts
Neck:	2.00 pts
Chest & Abdomen:	2.00 pts
Pelvis:	No penalty

OBLIQUE POLE

Head:	2.00 pts
Neck:	2.00 pts
Chest & Abdomen:	2.00 pts
Pelvis:	No penalty

OCCUPANT-TO-OCCUPANT

Head contact: [NOT ASSESSED]
No centre airbag

WHIPLASH (REAR IMPACT) PROTECTION



Driver / front passenger: 2.76 pts
Rear passenger: 1.00 pts

CHILD OCCUPANT PROTECTION

91%
44.62 POINTS
OUT OF 49

In the frontal offset test, protection of the 6 year and 10 year dummies was GOOD for all critical body areas.

In the side impact test, protection of the chest of the 10 year dummy was POOR while that of other body areas of both the 6 year and 10 year dummies was GOOD.

The Subaru Outback is fitted with lower ISOFix anchorages on the rear outboard seats and top tether anchorages for all rear seating positions.

Installation of typical child restraints available in Australia and New Zealand showed most child restraints could be accommodated in most rear seating positions, however the Type E and Type F booster seats could not be safely installed in the centre rear seating position.

DYNAMIC TEST (FRONT)	16.00	(out of 16)
DYNAMIC TEST (SIDE)	7.00	(out of 8)
RESTRAINT INSTALLATION	11.62	(out of 12)
ON-BOARD SAFETY FEATURES	10.00	(out of 13)

FRONTAL OFFSET (MPDB) (50km/h)



6 YEAR OLD 10 YEAR OLD

SIDE IMPACT (60km/h)



10 YEAR OLD 6 YEAR OLD

ON-BOARD SAFETY FEATURES

FEATURE	FRONT PASSENGER	2nd ROW OUTBOARD	2nd ROW CENTRE	3rd ROW OUTBOARD	3rd ROW CENTRE
ISOFix	×	●	×	-	-
Integrated child restraints	×	×	×	-	-
Top tether anchorage	×	●	●	-	-
Airbag disabling	●	-	-	-	-

● FITTED TO TEST CAR AS STANDARD ● NOT FITTED TO TEST CAR BUT AVAILABLE AS AN OPTION × NOT AVAILABLE - NOT APPLICABLE

GOOD ADEQUATE MARGINAL WEAK POOR

NOTE: The child restraints fitted to vehicles tested by Euro NCAP are relevant to the European market. For Australasian consumers, this information should be used as a guide to vehicle features only. The Child Restraint Evaluation Program (CREP) provides an independent assessment on the safety of Australasian child restraints - see www.childcarseats.com.au.



91%

44.62 POINTS
OUT OF 49

CHILD RESTRAINT INSTALLATION*

	CHILD RESTRAINT (CRS) TYPE^		FRONT ROW	2nd ROW			3rd ROW		
			PASSENGER	LEFT	CENTRE	RIGHT	LEFT	CENTRE	RIGHT
BELTED	TYPE A	Rearward facing capsule	✕	●	●	●	–	–	–
		Rearward facing with harness - convertible (Model A)	✕	●	●	●	–	–	–
		Rearward facing with harness - convertible (Model B)	✕	●	●	●	–	–	–
	TYPE B	Forward facing with harness - convertible (Model A)	✕	●	●	●	–	–	–
		Forward facing with harness - convertible (Model B)	✕	●	●	●	–	–	–
	TYPE E	Booster - 4 to 8 years	✕	●	●	●	–	–	–
	TYPE F	Booster - 4 to 10 years	✕	●	●	●	–	–	–
ISOFIX	TYPE A	Rearward facing capsule	✕	●	–	●	–	–	–
		Rearward facing with harness - convertible (Model A)	✕	●	–	●	–	–	–
		Rearward facing with harness - convertible (Model B)	✕	●	–	●	–	–	–
	TYPE B	Forward facing with harness - convertible (Model A)	✕	●	–	●	–	–	–
		Forward facing with harness - convertible (Model B)	✕	●	–	●	–	–	–

* Installation of each child restraint is assessed separately in each position. Installation of multiple restraints has not been assessed and may not be possible.

^ The above list of child restraints has been selected to provide a general indication of the rated vehicle's ability to accommodate various CRS types. ANCAP does not endorse or recommend any one CRS brand or model, nor does it rate the safety of child restraints.

● INSTALL WITHOUT PROBLEM ● INSTALL WITH CARE ● CANNOT BE FITTED SAFELY ✕ INSTALLATION NOT ALLOWED – NOT APPLICABLE / NOT ASSESSED

VULNERABLE ROAD USER PROTECTION

84%

45.40 POINTS
OUT OF 54

The bonnet of the Subaru Outback provided GOOD or ADEQUATE protection to the head of a struck pedestrian over most of its surface, with MARGINAL and POOR results recorded at the base of the windscreen and on the stiff windscreen pillars. The bumper provided GOOD protection to pedestrians' legs and protection of the pelvis was also GOOD.

The AEB system showed GOOD performance in pedestrian test scenarios, in both daylight and low light, with collisions avoided or mitigated in most scenarios. GOOD performance was also seen in AEB cyclist test scenarios, with collisions avoided or mitigated in most scenarios.

The Subaru Outback is fitted with AEB Backover functionality, however its performance in test scenarios was POOR.

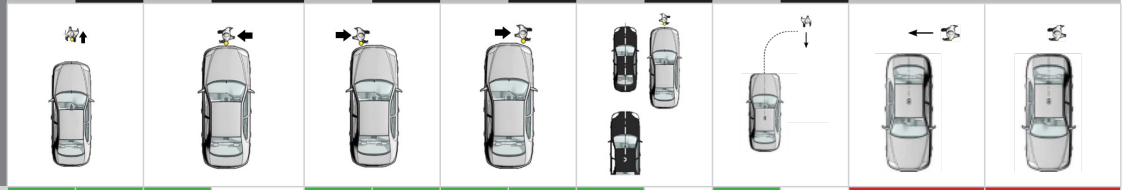
The system's overall AEB performance was classified as GOOD.

HEAD IMPACTS	18.73	(out of 24)
UPPER LEG IMPACTS	6.00	(out of 6)
LOWER LEG IMPACTS	6.00	(out of 6)
AEB - Pedestrian (forward)	7.00	(out of 7)
AEB - Pedestrian (backover)	0.00	(out of 2)
AEB - Cyclist	7.68	(out of 9)

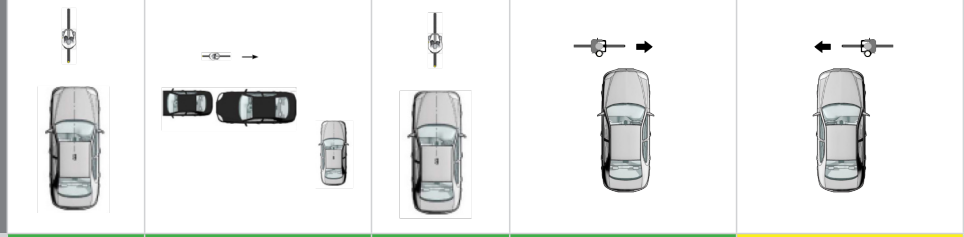
AUTONOMOUS EMERGENCY BRAKING (PEDESTRIAN, CYCLIST & BACKOVER)

SYSTEM NAME: EyeSight
TYPE: Autonomous emergency braking with forward collision warning
OPERATIONAL FROM: 1-160 km/h
DESCRIPTION: System functions in the daytime and night

AUTONOMOUS EMERGENCY BRAKING - PEDESTRIAN

	AEB + FCW		FORWARD										BACKOVER			
	Adult walking along road		Adult crossing towards kerb (50%)		Adult crossing from kerb (25%)		Adult crossing from kerb (75%)		Child running (obstructed)		Adult crossing side road, vehicle turning		Adult walking behind reversing vehicle	Adult standing behind reversing vehicle
	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	NIGHT	DAY	DAY
TEST SCENARIO														
PERFORMANCE				–						–		–		
	GOOD													

AUTONOMOUS EMERGENCY BRAKING - CYCLIST

	FCW	FORWARD			
	Cyclist travelling along road (25%)	Cyclist crossing from kerb (obstructed)	Cyclist travelling along road (50%)	Cyclist crossing (nearside)	Cyclist crossing (farside)
	DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY	DAY
TEST SCENARIO					
PERFORMANCE					
	GOOD				

PEDESTRIAN IMPACT TEST (40 KM/H)



GOOD ADEQUATE MARGINAL WEAK POOR

96%
15.40 POINTS
OUT OF 16

The Subaru Outback is fitted as standard with a range of safety assist features including autonomous emergency braking (AEB) and a lane support system (LSS) with lane keep assist (LKA) and emergency lane keeping (ELK) functionality.

Tests of the AEB (Car-to-Car) system showed GOOD performance with collisions avoided or mitigated in all test scenarios, including AEB Junction Assist where the test vehicle can autonomously brake to avoid crashes when turning across the path of an oncoming vehicle or pedestrian. Overall, effectiveness of the AEB (Car-to-Car) system performance was rated as GOOD.

Tests of lane support system functionality showed GOOD performance, including in the more critical emergency lane keeping test scenarios, with overall performance classified as GOOD.

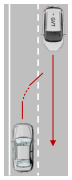
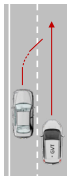
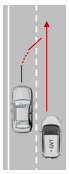
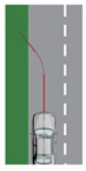
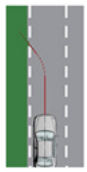
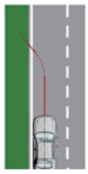
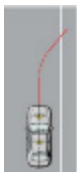
A speed assistance system (SAS) is also standard, informing the driver of the local speed limit and allowing the driver to set the speed accordingly. A seatbelt reminder system with occupant detection is fitted to all seating positions. A driver drowsiness monitor system is fitted as standard.

OCCUPANT STATUS	
- Seat belt reminders	2.00 (out of 2)
- Driver monitoring	1.00 (out of 1)
SPEED ASSISTANCE SYSTEMS	2.65 (out of 3)
LANE SUPPORT SYSTEMS	4.00 (out of 4)
AEB - Car-to-Car	3.75 (out of 4)
AEB - Junction Assist	2.00 (out of 2)

LANE SUPPORT SYSTEMS (LSS)

SYSTEM NAME: EyeSight
OPERATIONAL FROM: 50-160 km/h

EMERGENCY LANE KEEPING (ELK)

	Oncoming vehicle	Overtaking vehicle (GVT at 72 km/h)		Overtaking vehicle (GVT at 80 km/h)		Road edge				Solid line	
		UNINTENTIONAL	INTENTIONAL	UNINTENTIONAL	INTENTIONAL						
TEST SCENARIO											
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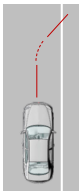
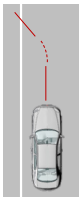
LANE KEEP ASSIST (LKA)

	Dashed Line		Solid Line	
TEST SCENARIO				
PERFORMANCE				
	GOOD			

HUMAN MACHINE INTERFACE (HMI)

FUNCTION	Lane Departure Warning (LDW)	PASS
	Blind Spot Monitoring (BSM)	PASS

GOOD ADEQUATE MARGINAL WEAK POOR

96%
15.40 POINTS
OUT OF 16

AUTONOMOUS EMERGENCY BRAKING (CAR-TO-CAR)

SYSTEM NAME: EyeSight
TYPE: Autonomous emergency braking with forward collision warning
OPERATIONAL FROM: 1-160 km/h
DESCRIPTION: Defaults ON for every journey

HUMAN MACHINE INTERFACE (HMI)		
FUNCTION	Supplementary warning	PASS
	Restraint activation / dynamic retractors	[NOT FITTED]

AUTONOMOUS EMERGENCY BRAKING - CAR-TO-CAR

TEST SCENARIO	Driving towards a stationary car				
	-50% OFFSET	-75% OFFSET	100% OFFSET	75% OFFSET	50% OFFSET
AEB (10-50 km/h)					
FCW (30-80 km/h)					
PERFORMANCE	GOOD				

TEST VEHICLE SPEED	Turning across the path of oncoming vehicle TARGET VEHICLE SPEED		
	30 KM/H	45 KM/H	55 KM/H
10 KM/H			
15 KM/H			
20 KM/H			
	GOOD		

AUTONOMOUS EMERGENCY BRAKING - CAR-TO-CAR

TEST SCENARIO	Toward car braking lightly		Toward car braking heavily		Driving towards a slower moving car*				
	12m HEADWAY	40m HEADWAY	12m HEADWAY	40m HEADWAY					
AEB (10-50 km/h)									
FCW (50*-80 km/h)									
PERFORMANCE	GOOD								

OCCUPANT STATUS

WARNING TYPE	DRIVER	FRONT PASSENGER	REAR PASSENGERS
Occupant Detection	-	●	●
Seat Belt Reminder (Visual)	●	●	●
Seat Belt Reminder (Audible)	●	●	●
Driver Monitoring	●	-	-

SPEED ASSISTANCE SYSTEMS (SAS)

SAS FEATURE	DESCRIPTION
Speed Limit Information Function	Camera based
Speed Limitation Function	System advised

● PASS ● FAIL ✕ NOT AVAILABLE - NOT APPLICABLE

GOOD ADEQUATE MARGINAL WEAK POOR

SAFETY FEATURES & TECHNOLOGIES

TESTED MAKE / MODEL	Subaru Outback LHD
TESTED VEHICLE(S) BUILT	2021
TESTED BODY TYPE	5 door wagon
TESTED VEHICLE ENGINE	2.5 litre petrol
RATING PUBLISHED	September 2021
RATING UPDATED	December 2022

FEATURE / TECHNOLOGY~	AVAILABILITY	
	AUS	NZ
Seat belts (three-point) for all forward-facing seats	●	●
Seat belt pre-tensioners (front)	●	●
Seat belt pre-tensioners (rear outboard) - 2nd row	●	●
Seat belt pre-tensioners (rear centre) - 2nd row	✕	✕
Seat belt pre-tensioners (rear outboard) - 3rd row	–	–
Intelligent seat belt reminder (driver)	●	●
Intelligent seat belt reminder (front passenger)	●	●
Intelligent seat belt reminder (2nd row seats)	●	●
Intelligent seat belt reminder (3rd row seats)	–	–
Airbag - frontal (driver)	●	●
Airbag - frontal (passenger)	●	●
Airbags - side, chest protection (front seats)	●	●
Airbags - side, chest protection (2nd row seats)	✕	✕
Airbags - side, chest protection (3rd row seats)	–	–
Airbags - side, head protection (front seats)	●	●
Airbags - side, head protection (2nd row seats)	●	●
Airbags - side, head protection (3rd row seats)	–	–
Airbag - centre	✕	✕
Airbag - knee (driver)	●	●
Airbag - knee (front passenger)	✕	✕
Airbag disabling switch - automatic (front passenger)	●	●
Airbag disabling switch - manual (front passenger)	✕	✕
Head restraints for all seats	●	●
Active bonnet	✕	✕
Adaptive cruise control (ACC)	●	●
Anti-lock braking system (ABS)	●	●
Autonomous emergency braking (AEB) - Car-to-Car	●	●
Autonomous emergency braking (AEB) - VRU	●	●
Autonomous emergency braking (AEB) - Backover	●	●
Automatic emergency call (eCall)	✕	✕
Blind spot monitor (BSM)	●	●
Child presence alert	✕	✕
Electronic brakeforce distribution (EBD)	●	●
Electronic data recorder (EDR)	●	●
Electronic stability control (ESC)	●	●
Emergency brake assist (EBA)	●	●
Emergency stop signal (ESS)	●	●
Fatigue reminder	●	●
Fatigue monitor / detection	●	●
Forward collision warning (FCW)	●	●
ISOFix	●	●
Lane departure warning (LDW)	●	●
Lane keep assist (LKA)	●	●
Pre-crash systems	●	●
Rear cross-traffic alert (RCTA)	●	●
Reversing collision avoidance (camera)	●	●
Roll stability system	●	●
Secondary / multi-collision brake	●	●
Speed assistance - auto / intelligent speed limiter	●	●
Speed assistance - manual speed limiter	●	●
Speed assistance - speed sign recognition & warning	●	●
Smart (intelligent) key	✕	✕
Vehicle-to-infrastructure communication (V2I)	✕	✕
Vehicle-to-vehicle communication (V2V)	✕	✕

MODEL VARIANTS:

ANCAP safety ratings do not automatically extend to variants that have different body styles, engine configurations, driven wheels or occupant restraint systems (e.g. fewer airbags). In these cases, ANCAP considers technical evidence submitted by manufacturers before deciding on the extension of a rating to additional variants of a model.

RATING YEAR (DATESTAMP):

The Rating Year denotes the year requirements against which a vehicle has been assessed. The Rating Year is determined by ANCAP and, for vehicles rated from 2018, the Rating Year is the year in which the vehicle was tested.

~ Specifications & availability subject to change. Please check with the vehicle manufacturer for confirmation of vehicle specification.

● STANDARD ○ OPTIONAL ✕ NOT AVAILABLE

● NOT AVAILABLE ON BASE VARIANT BUT STANDARD OR OPTIONAL ON HIGHER VARIANTS