



1960 Production Facts

The 1960 Corvette was very similar to the 1959 model. Aluminum radiators were installed on 270 horsepower and 290 horsepower Corvettes. The aluminum head engines that were advertised as code "DH" were too hard to manufacture and did not make it into the main production run. All engines except the base included cast alloy valve covers with 7 fins. The base engine included plain painted steel valve covers with the Chevrolet script. The front sway bar had an increase in diameter and a new rear sway bar was added to improve the handling of the car. Also, a new aluminum clutch housing reduced the weight of the car by 18 pounds. All 1960 Corvettes with fuel injection required a manual transmission, earlier models allowed an automatic with the lower horsepower fuel injected engines. Fifteen of the 1960 production run were non-standard colors or primer. The passenger grab bar and storage bin from the previous year are still included.

Production Options and Build Statistics

Total 1960 Corvettes Built - 10,261

Serial Numbers	
Convertible	00867S100001 - 00867S110261

The serial number (Vehicle Identification Number -- VIN) is located on a stainless steel plate welded to the top of the steering column mast under the hood.

Serial Number Decoder

Position	Character	Description
1	0	1960
2-3	08	body series: Corvette
4-5	67	convertible
6	S	Assembled in St. Louis, MO
7-12	100001 to 110261	production sequence

Engine Serial Number Decoder

Position	Value	Description
1 to 7	0001001	sequential production number
8	F or T	Flint, MI or Tonawanda, NY
9 to 10	Carburetion & transmission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CQ = 283-cid 230-hp V-8 with 9.5:1 compression ratio, Three or Four-speed manual transmission, and four-barrel carburetor CR = 283-cid 275-hp V-8 with 11.0:1 compression ratio, Three or Four-speed manual transmission with fuel injection CS = 283-cid 315-hp V-8 with 11.0:1 compression ratio, Three or Four-speed manual transmission, high lift camshaft, and fuel injection CT = 283-cid 245-hp V-8 with 9.5:1 compression ratio, Three or Four-speed manual transmission and dual four-barrel carburetors

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CU = 283-cid 270-hp V-8 with 9.5:1 compression ratio, Three or Four-speed manual transmission, high-lift camshaft and dual four-barrel carburetors • DG = 283-cid 230-hp V-8 with 9.5:1 compression ratio, Powerglide automatic transmission and a four-barrel carburetor • DJ = 283-cid 245-hp V-8 with 9.5:1 compression ratio, Powerglide automatic transmission and dual four-barrel carburetors
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Cars with optional four-speed manual transmissions used the same engine code suffixes as cars with three-speed manual transmissions. The body style number plate is located on the engine side of the cowl. Fisher Body Style Number 60-0867 identifies a Corvette. The body number is the serial number of the body.

Production Options

RPO	Description	Cost	Total	
			Prod.	%
867	Base Convertible	\$3,872.00	10,261	100.0%
101	Heater	\$102.25	9,809	95.6%
102	AM Radio, Signal Seeking	\$137.75	8,166	79.6%
107	Parking Brake Alarm	\$5.40	4,051	39.5%
108	Courtesy Lights	\$6.50	6,774	66.0%
109	Windshield Washers	\$16.15	7,205	70.2%
121	Temp. Controlled Radiator Fan	\$21.55	2,711	26.4%
261	Sunshades	\$10.80	5,276	51.4%
276	Wheels, 15x5.5	\$0.00	246	2.4%
290	Whitewall Tires, 6.70x15	\$31.55	9,104	88.7%
313	Powerglide Automatic Transmission	\$199.10	1,766	17.2%
419	Auxiliary Hardtop	\$236.75	5,147	50.2%
426	Power Windows	\$59.20	544	5.3%
440	Two-Tone Paint Combination	\$16.15	3,309	32.2%
469	283ci, 245hp Engine (2x4 carbs.)	\$150.65	1,211	11.8%
469C	283ci, 270hp Engine (2x4 carbs.)	\$182.95	2,364	23.0%
473	Power Operated Folding Top	\$139.90	512	5.0%
579	283ci, 250hp Engine (fuel inj.)	\$484.20	100	1.0%
579D	283ci, 290hp Engine (fuel inj.)	\$484.20	759	7.4%
675	Positraction Rear Axle (3.70:1)	\$48.45	1,548	15.1%
675	Positraction Rear Axle 4.11:1	\$48.45	3,226	31.4%
675	Positraction Rear Axle 4.56:1	\$48.45	457	4.5%
685	4-Speed Manual Transmission.	\$188.30	5,328	51.9%
686	Metallic Brakes	\$26.90	920	9.0%
687	Heavy Duty Brakes and Susp.	\$333.60	119	1.2%
1408	Blackwall Tires, 6.70x15	\$15.75	N/A	N/A
1625A	24 Gallon Fuel Tank	\$161.40	N/A	N/A

Color Options for 1960 -Acrylic Lacquer or Nitrocellulose Lacquer

RPO	Color	Cost	Ditzler	Dupont	RMNumber	Soft Top Color	Interior Color	Total	
								Prod.	%
517A	Cascade Green	\$0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	White/Blue/Black	Black	140	1.4%
510A	Ermine White	\$0.00	825	4024	1199	Blue/Black/White	Blue/Black/Red/Turq.	3,717	36.2%
502A	Horizon Blue	\$0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	White/Blue/Black	Blue/Black/Red	766	7.5%

506A	Roman Red	\$0.00	70961	2931	1138	White/Black	Black/Red	1,529	14.9%
509A	Sateen Silver	\$0.00	DDL-31905	4023-L	A-1203	White/Black/Blue	Blue/Black/Red/Turq.	989	9.6%
504A	Tasco Turquoise	\$0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	White/Black/Blue	Black/Turquoise	635	6.2%
N/A	Tuxedo Black	\$0.00	DDL-9300	88-L	A-496	White/Black	Red/Black/Blue	1,268	12.4%

Two-Tone Paint Production

RPO	Color	Production	%
440	Roman Red / White	779	7.6%
440	Honduras Maroon / White	572	5.6%
440	Ermine White / Silver	488	4.8%
440	Tasco Turquoise / White	383	3.7%
440	Tuxedo Black / Silver	368	3.6%
440	Horizon Blue / White	359	3.5%
440	Cascade Green / White	65	0.6%

Interior Colors

RPO	Color	Cost	Total	
			Prod.	%
N/A	Black	\$0.00	3,231	31.5%
N/A	Blue	\$0.00	1,032	10.1%
N/A	Red	\$0.00	4,920	47.9%
N/A	Turquoise	\$0.00	1,078	10.5%

1960 Corvette Specifications

Mechanical Dimensions

Feature	Dimensions
Wheelbase	102 in.
Track Front/Rear	57 in. / 59 in.
Length	177.2 in.
Width	72.8 in.
Height	51.6 in.
Frontal Area	N/A
Ground Clearance	N/A
Curb Weight	2,985 lbs.
Fuel Capacity	16.4 gal.
Coolant Capacity	N/A

Interior Dimensions

Feature	Dimensions
Headroom	34.7 in.
Hip Room	21.5 in. per bucket 59.6 in. total
Leg Room	46.5 in.
Shoulder Room	49.4 in.

Engine Specifications

Feature	Base Engine	RPO 469	RPO 469C	RPO 579	RPO 579D
Type	V-8, Overhead valve	V-8, Overhead valve	V-8, Overhead valve	V-8, Overhead valve	V-8, Overhead valve
Block	Cast iron	Cast iron	Cast iron	Cast iron	Cast iron
Displacement	283 cid	283 cid	283 cid	283 cid	283 cid
Bore & Stroke	3.87 x 3.00	3.87 x 3.00	3.87 x 3.00	3.87 x 3.00	3.87 x 3.00
Compression ratio	9.50:1	9.50:1	9.50:1	9.50:1	10.5:1
Brake horsepower	230 @ 4800 rpm	245	270	275	315
Main bearing	Five	Five	Five	Five	Five
Valve lifters	Hydraulic	Hydraulic	Hydraulic	Hydraulic	Solid
Carburetor	Carter four-barrel Type WCFB Model 3779178	Two four-barrel carbs	Two four-barrel carbs	Rochester fuel injection	Rochester fuel injection