

Mustang!

What's the most popular sports car in America?...**Mustang!** What's been the best selling sports car in the US for the last 45 years, straight?...**Mustang!** [<https://www.statista.com/chart/9341/the-best-selling-sports-cars-in-the-us/>]

It was originally conceived by Lee Iacoca as a contest between departments for something personal and sporty and that would appeal to women. The Mustang debuted in 1964 with a price of \$2,368, with an estimated annual sales of 100,000 cars. First year sales turned out to be over 400,000 and one million within two years.

The Mustang created the "pony car" class of American cars, distinguished as affordable sporty coupes with long hoods and short rear decks, and gave rise to competitors such as the Chevrolet Camaro, Pontiac Firebird, AMC Javelin, Chrysler's revamped Plymouth Barracuda, and the second generation Dodge Challenger. The Mustang is also credited for inspiring the designs of coupés such as the Toyota Celica and Ford Capri, which were imported to the United States.

It was originally based on the platform of the second generation North American Ford Falcon, a compact car. The original 1962 Ford Mustang I two-seater concept car had evolved into the 1963 Mustang II four-seater concept car which Ford used to pretest how the public would take interest in the first production Mustang. It was introduced to the public on April 17, 1964 at the New York World's Fair, and thus dubbed as a "1964½" by Mustang fans. The 1965 Mustang was the automaker's most successful launch since the Model A. The Mustang has undergone several transformations to its current sixth generation.

The Mustang is the only original model to remain in uninterrupted production over five decades of development and revision. On August 8, 2018, the 10th millionth Mustang rolled off the Flat Rock, MI, assembly line, the same color and model as the first one produced in 1964. [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Ford_Mustang] *Quite a car!...Which is why the Ed. owns the one shown below!*

