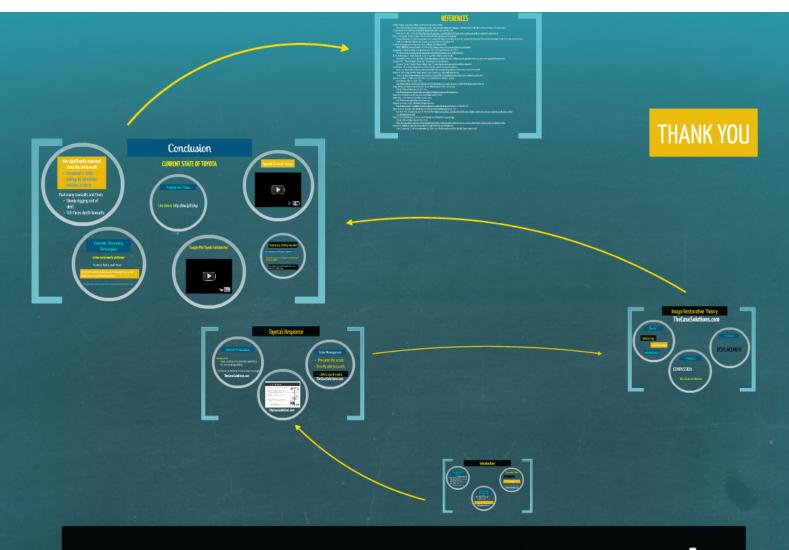


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National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)

September 29, 2009 The Case Solutions.com

- NHTSA advised Toyota & Lexus drivers to remove the floor mats on the driver side.
- NHTSA publicize the floor mats issue in order to prevent future accidents.
 - Toyota cooperated with NHTSA.

2010 Unintended Acceleration Recall

January 21, 2010

 Recall of 2.3million vehicles happened with popular models such as RAV4, Corolla, Highlander, and Camry.

Purpose:

To fix the ongoing "gas pedal" problems.

Suspended Sales

Temporarily Suspended

Unfavorable public reaction lead Toyota suspends sales.

Toyota declared plans to fix the accelerator.

Halt on Production

February 2010

- Toyota said they will put on halt production at five manufacturing facilities.
- Production on hold was a financial concern to Toyota

Crisis Timeline

- Aug 28, 2009: Four people killed in an acclaimed "no brakes" Toyota Lexus crash
- Oct 25, 2009: Investigation conducted by local authorities and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA)
- Oct 30, 2009: Toyota "no defect existence" letters to customers
- Nov 25, 2009: Toyota recalled 3.8 mvehicles to change all driver's side mats, and denied media reports that a problem exists with its electronic throttle system (USA)
- Dec 5, 2009: Media re-iterates its position on its findings about the acclaimed unintended acceleration with Toyota products - Toyota responds
- Dec 26,2009: Another motor accident with all four occupants dead
- Jan 11, 2010: Toyota announced its brake override software fix made global
- Jan 21, 2010: Toyota recalled another 2.3m vehicles because of ongoing 'gas pedal' problems (USA)
- Jan 27, 2010: Another 1.1 m vehicles added to the Nov 25, 2009 recall (USA)
- Jan 29, 2010:1.8m Toyota recall for faulty accelerator pedals (Europe/China)
- □ Feb 1, 2010:Toyota declares plans to fix the accelerator
- Feb 8, 2010:Toyota recalls.5m hybrid vehicles worldwide
- April 5, 2010:NHTSA plans to seek \$16.4mfine from Toyota for failure to acknowledge the pedal defects with the acceleration



Crisis Management

- Pre-plan for crisis
- Directly address public
 - Utilize social media
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PHASE1

bolstering

corrective action

minimization

PHASE 3

DISPLACEMENT

PHASE 2

COMPASSION

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