

Electric Vehicle Fleet Operations in the United States

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- *Qualified Vehicle Testers*
 - *Southern California Edison*
 - *Electric Transportation Applications*
*(Arizona Public Service, Potomac Electric Power Co.,
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Field Operations Program Mission

- *Demonstrate the validity of operating electric vehicles in commercial fleet applications by documenting*
 - *Performance*
 - *Costs*
 - *Support requirements*

Field Operations Program Testing Methods

- *Baseline Performance Testing (EV America)*
 - *Initial performance*
 - *Periodic checks*
- *Fleet testing*
 - *Viability as fleet vehicle*
 - *User acceptance issues*
- *Accelerated reliability testing*
 - *High mileage*
 - *Performance over life-cycle*
 - *Infrastructure support*

Baseline Performance (EV America) Testing


- *Utilities, domestic and foreign car manufacturers, Department of Energy*
- *Stringent testing procedures*
- *Minimum qualification standards*
- *Allows vehicle-to-vehicle and year-to-year comparisons*

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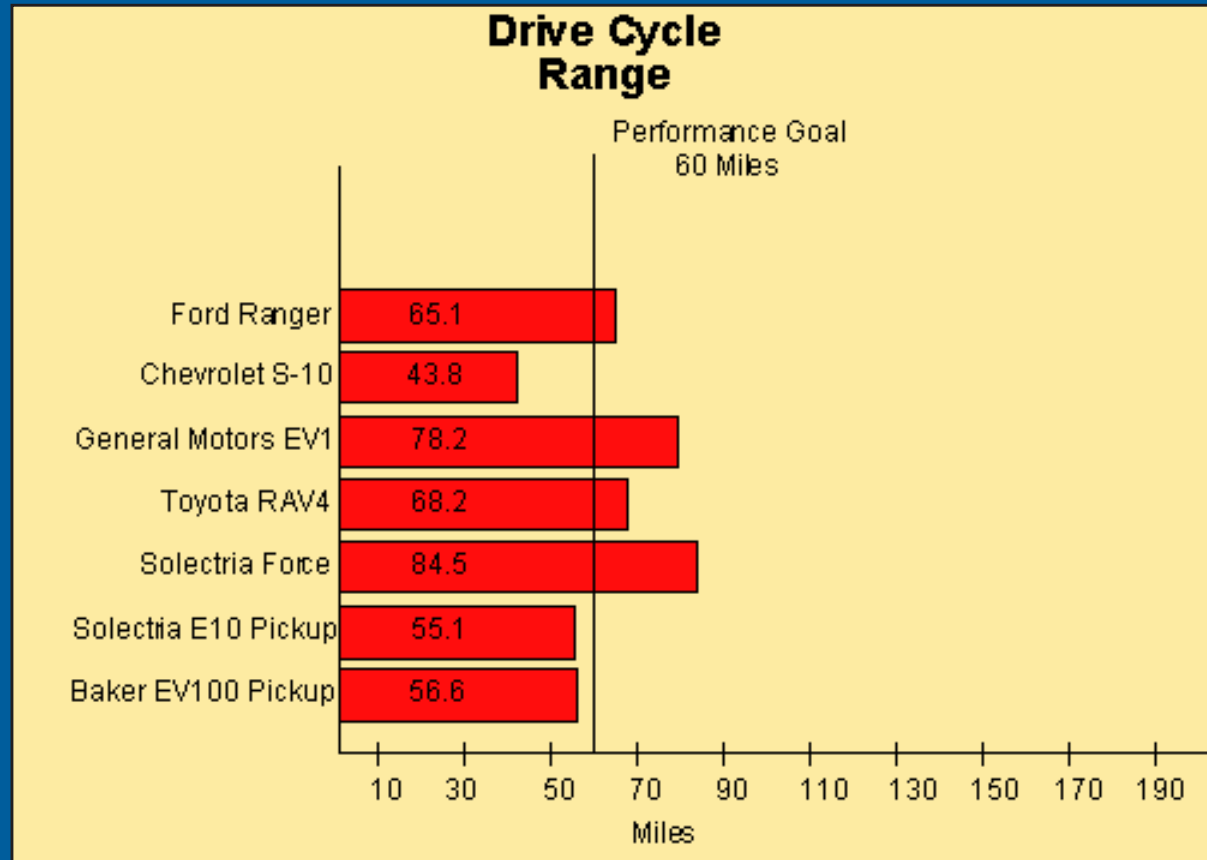
- *Testing parameters*
 - *Driving cycle range (SAE J1634)*
 - *(2) constant speed range*
 - *Maximum speed*
 - *Acceleration*
 - *Charge time*
 - *Charge efficiency*
 - *Vehicle specifications*
 - *Braking*
 - *Handling*

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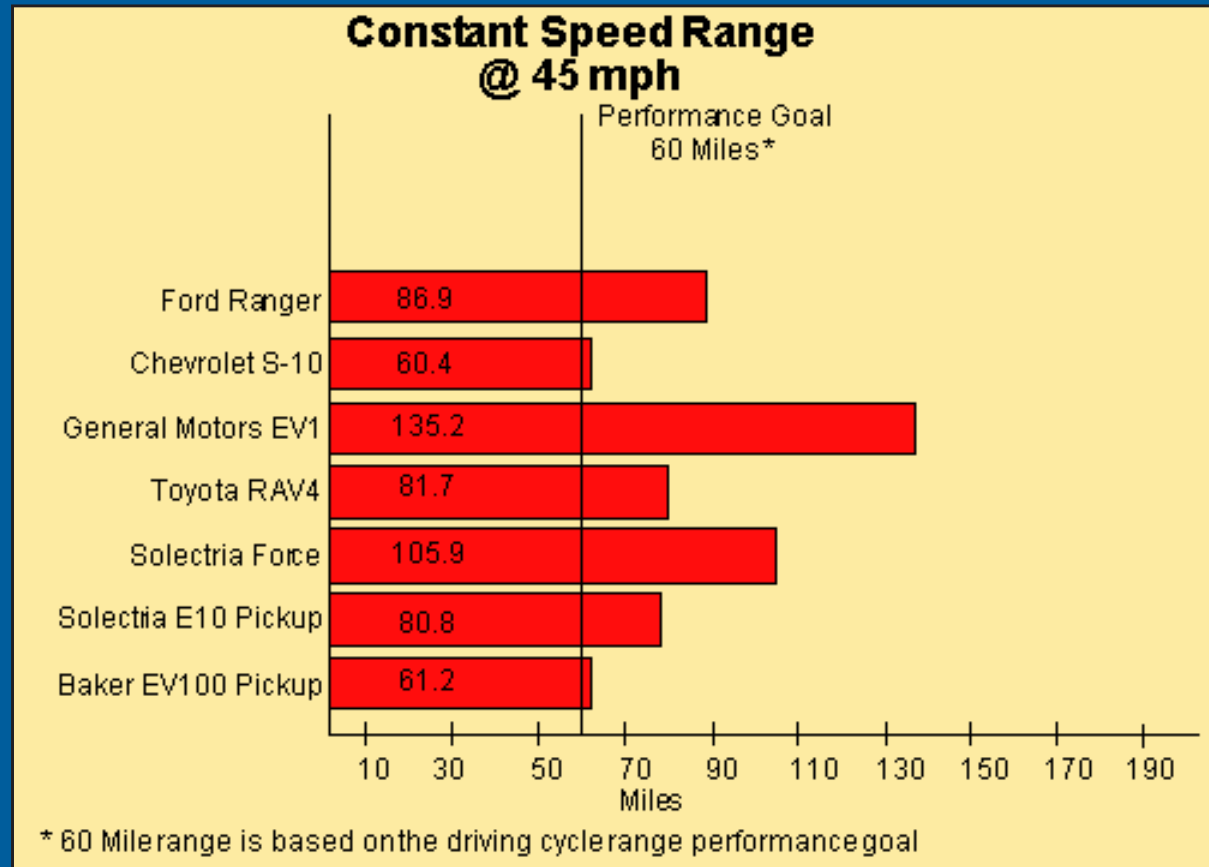
- **1998** - *Toyota RAV4 (NiMH)* - *Other OEM vehicles*
- **1997** - *Ford Ranger* - *Chevrolet S-10*
- **1996** - *GM EV1* - *Toyota RAV4 (lead prototype)*
- **1995** - *2 Solectria conversions* - *1 Baker conversion*
- **1994** - *1 Dodge van* - *2 U.S. Electricar conversions*
 - *3 BAT conversions*
 - *1 Unique Mobility conversion*
 - *2 Solectria conversions*

EVAMERICA	USDOT	Performance Statistics
 <p data-bbox="493 695 724 730">GENERAL MOTORS EV1 VEHICLE SPECIFICATIONS</p>		<p data-bbox="943 352 1166 369">ACCELERATION 0-50 mph</p> <p data-bbox="943 369 1230 449">At 100% SOC: 6.3 sec At 50% SOC: 6.7 sec Max. Power: 116.4 kW Performance Goal: 13.5 sec at 50% SOC</p> <p data-bbox="943 457 1203 474">MAXIMUM SPEED @ 50% SOC</p> <p data-bbox="943 474 1214 537">At 1/4 Mile: 78.9 mph At 1 Mile: 80.4 mph Performance Goal: 70 mph in one mile</p> <p data-bbox="943 546 1252 562">CONSTANT SPEED RANGE @ 45 mph</p> <p data-bbox="943 562 1149 667">Range: 135.2 miles Energy Used: 15.58 kWh Average Power: 5.19 kW Efficiency: 115 Wh/mile Specific Energy: 31.9 Wh/kg</p>
<p data-bbox="290 743 521 760">PURPOSE-BUILT VEHICLE</p> <p data-bbox="290 760 542 1289">Base Vehicle: 1997 EV1 VIN: 4g5pn22500100009 Seatbelt Positions: Two Standard Features: Heat Pump Climate Control System Cruise Control Power Door Locks Dual Air Bags Power Windows Front Disc Brakes Power Steering Anti-Lock Brakes Front Wheel Drive Regenerative Braking Daytime Running Lights AM/FM Stereo w/Cassette and CD Player w/4 Speaker System Electric Clear Windshield Check Tire Pressure System High Voltage Isolation Assurance Welded & Bonded Aluminum Alloy Body Electronic Key Pad Entry/Vehicle Activation System 110V 1.2 kW Convenience Charger</p> <p data-bbox="290 1297 380 1314">BATTERY</p> <p data-bbox="290 1314 542 1419">Manufacturer: Delphi Type: Valve Regulated Lead Acid Number of Modules: 26 Weight of Module: 18.8 kg Weight of Pack(s): 1175 kg</p>	<p data-bbox="599 743 688 760">BATTERY</p> <p data-bbox="599 760 834 999">Pack Location: T-Pack Integral Nominal Module Voltage: 12 V Nominal System Voltage: 312 V Nominal Capacity (1C): 53 Ah WEIGHTS Design Curb Weight: 2970 lbs Delivered Curb Weight: 2922 lbs Distribution FR: 52/47 % GVWR: 3410 lbs GAWR FR: 1705/1705 lbs Payload: 440 lbs Performance Goal: 400 lbs</p> <p data-bbox="599 1008 721 1024">DIMENSIONS</p> <p data-bbox="599 1024 883 1167">Wheelbase: 98.9 inches Track FR: 57.5/49.0 inches Length: 169.7 inches Width: 69.5 inches Height: 50.5 inches Ground Clearance: 4.2 inches at GVWR Performance Goal: 5.0 inches at GVWR</p> <p data-bbox="599 1176 688 1192">CHARGER</p> <p data-bbox="599 1192 883 1260">Location: Off-Board Type: Delco Electronics Inductive 6.6 kW Input Voltages: 156 to 260 VAC</p> <p data-bbox="599 1268 656 1285">TIRES</p> <p data-bbox="599 1285 867 1390">Tire Mfg: Michelin Tire Model: Proxima RR Radial Tire Size: P175R5R14 Tire Pressure FR: 50/50 psi Spare Installed: No, Self Sealing Tires</p>	<p data-bbox="943 743 1252 760">CONSTANT SPEED RANGE @ 60 mph</p> <p data-bbox="943 760 1149 856">Range: 89.1 miles Energy Used: 14.58 kWh Average Power: 9.79 kW Efficiency: 164 Wh/mile Specific Energy: 29.8 Wh/kg</p> <p data-bbox="943 865 1159 882">DRIVING CYCLE RANGE</p> <p data-bbox="943 882 1182 999">Range per SAE J1634: 78.2 miles Energy Used: 12.84 kWh Average Power: 4.06 kW Efficiency: 164 Wh/mile Specific Energy: 26.3 Wh/kg Performance Goal: 60 miles</p> <p data-bbox="943 1008 1149 1024">BRAKING FROM 60 mph</p> <p data-bbox="943 1024 1149 1104">Controlled Dry: 171.0 feet Controlled Wet: 214.8 feet Panic Wet: 211.9 feet Course Deviation: 0.0 feet</p> <p data-bbox="943 1113 1045 1129">HANDLING</p> <p data-bbox="943 1129 1192 1218">Avg Time @ 90% SOC: 55.8 sec Avg Time @ 50% SOC: 55.4 sec Avg Time @ 20% SOC: 55.4 sec Avg ICE Full Size Time: 54.62 sec</p> <p data-bbox="943 1226 1175 1243">GRADEABILITY (Calculated)</p> <p data-bbox="943 1243 1192 1348">Maximum Speed @ 3%: 79.0 mph Maximum Speed @ 6%: 78.2 mph Maximum Grade: 53.2% Time on 3% Grade: 28 min 57 sec Performance Goal: 15 Min</p> <p data-bbox="943 1356 1159 1373">CHARGING EFFICIENCY</p> <p data-bbox="943 1373 1214 1423">Efficiency: 248 Wh-AC/mile Energy Cost @ 10 ¢/kWh: 2.48 ¢/mile</p>
<p data-bbox="290 1444 412 1461">TEST NOTES:</p> <ol data-bbox="331 1461 915 1688" style="list-style-type: none"> At various during these range test the Battery Life, Reduced Performance, Service Soon, and Service Now LEDs illuminated. Charging time was extended due to high temperature conditions. Specific Energy values were calculated using the number of modules times the module weight. The battery pack data collection voltage signal was reduced 100:1 through a voltage divider installed by General Motors. This was for personnel protection. The Standing Water Test was conducted with a water depth of six inches versus eight inches. <p data-bbox="290 1696 915 1747">Values in bold indicate the Performance Goal was not met. * All Power and Energy values are DC unless otherwise specified.</p>		<p data-bbox="943 1444 1045 1461">CHARGER</p> <p data-bbox="943 1461 1263 1638">Max Charger Ground Current: <0.01 mA Max Battery Leakage Current: <0.01 mA mA Max DC Charge Current: 16.83 Amps Max AC Charge Current: 28.96 Amps Pwr Factor @ Max Current: 1.00 THD(V/VI) @ Max Current: 2.784.80 % Peak Demand: 5.93 kW Time to Recharge: 5 Hrs 18 min Performance Goal: 8 hours</p>

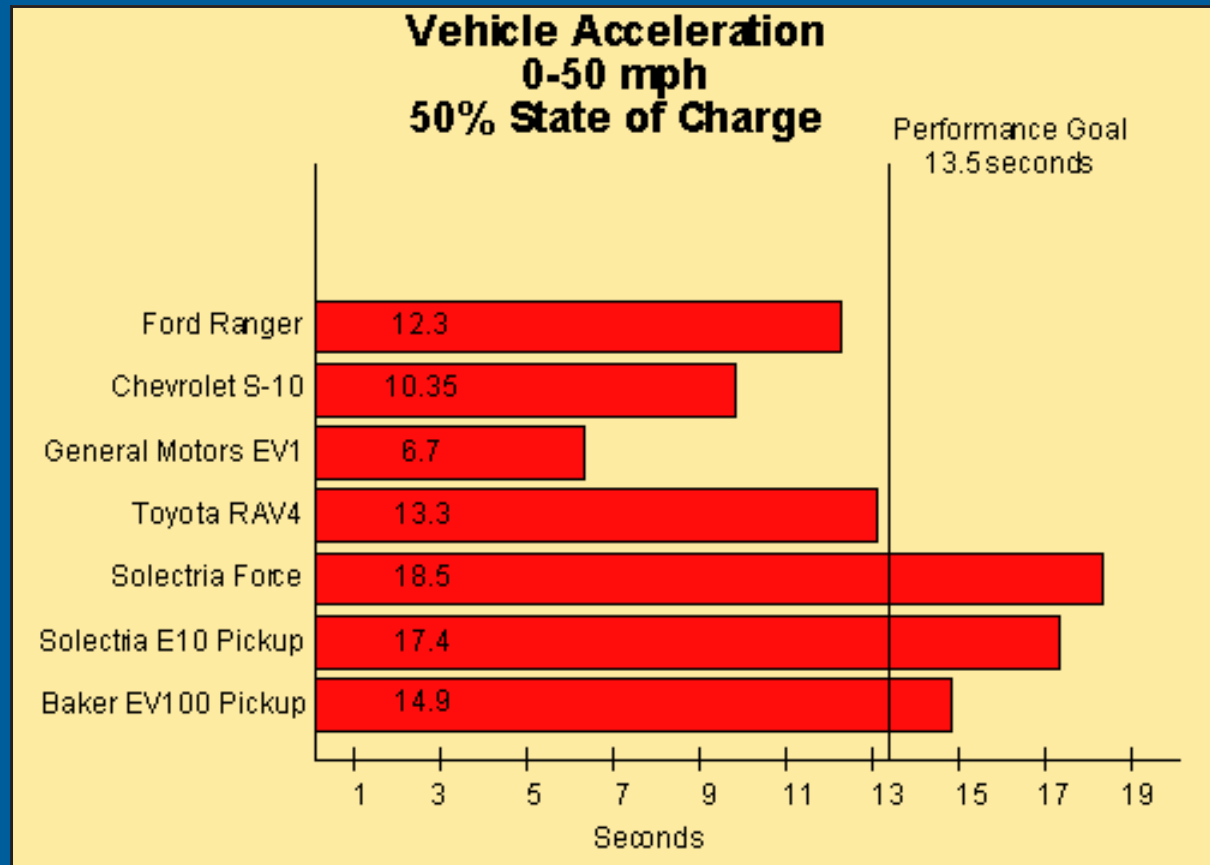
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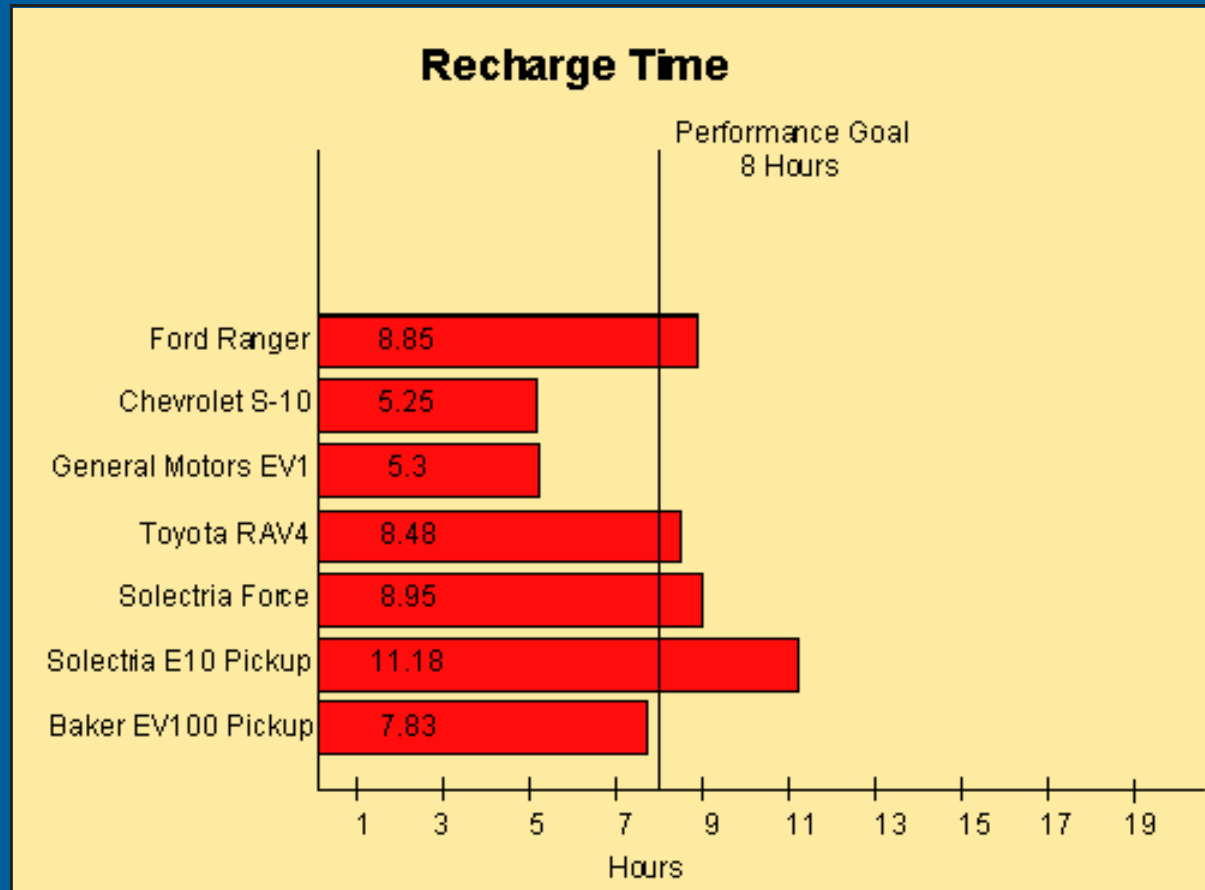
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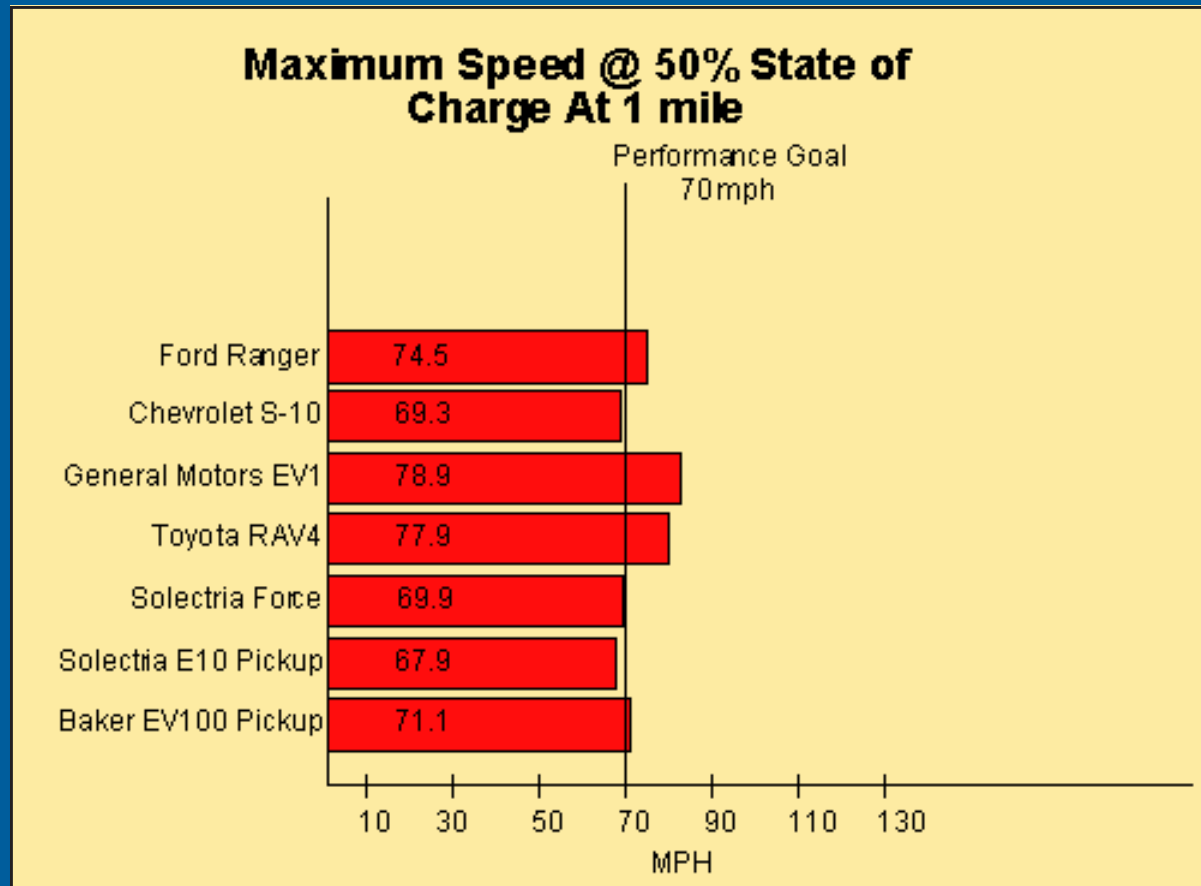
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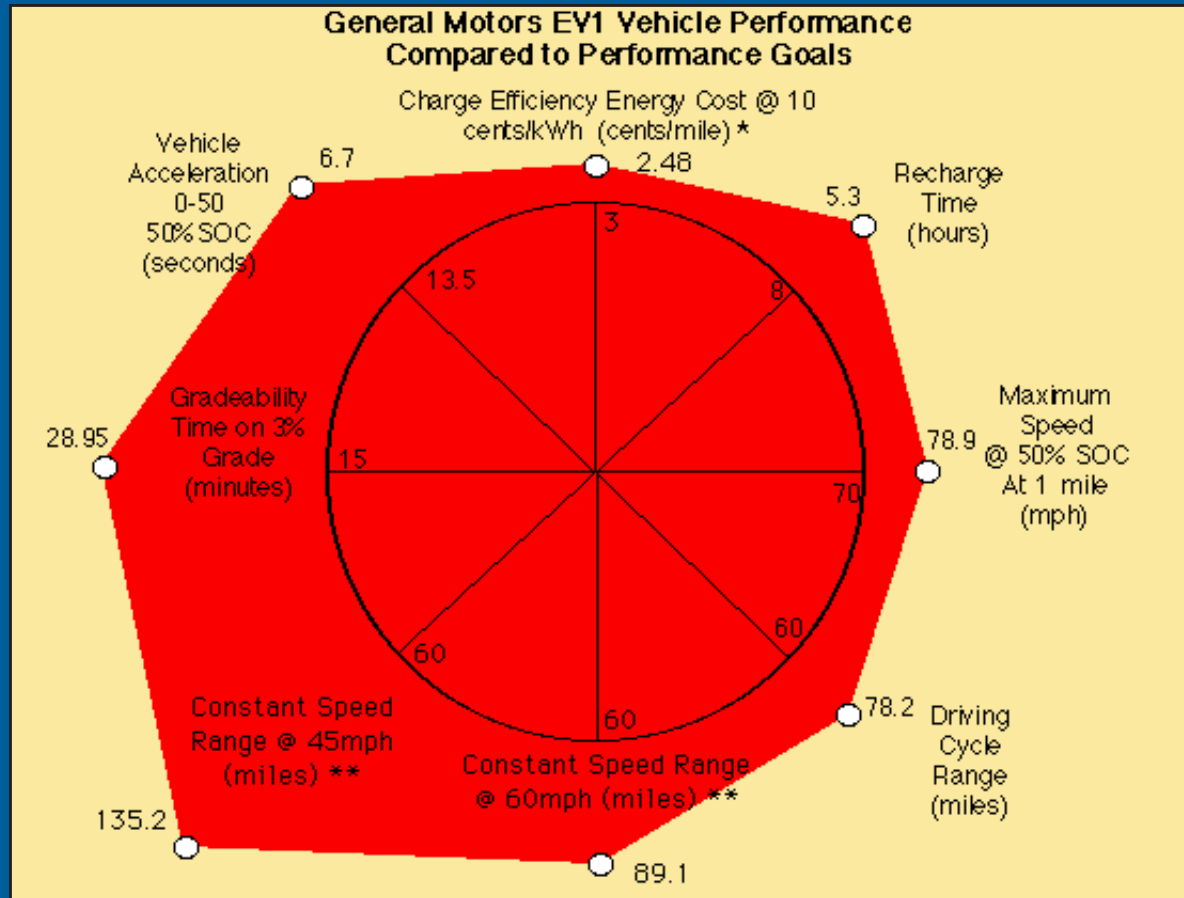
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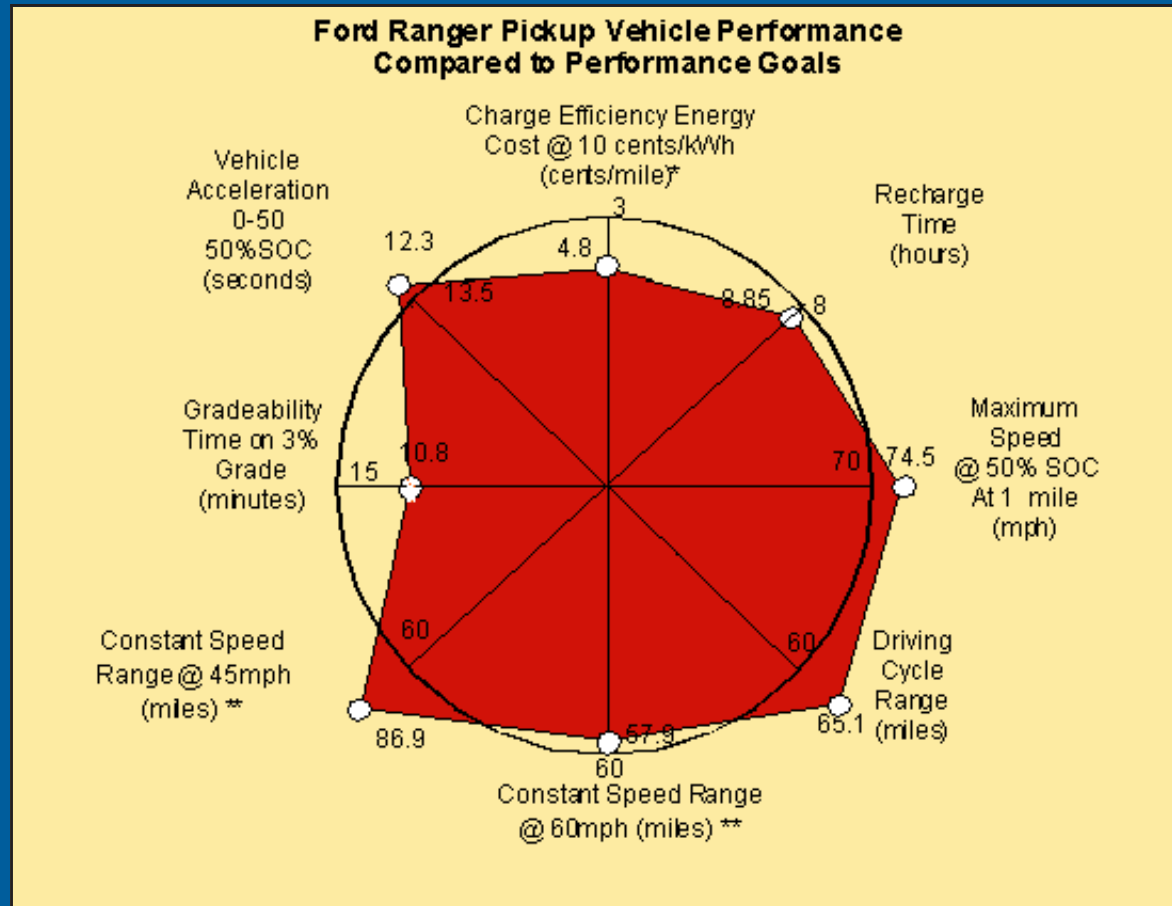
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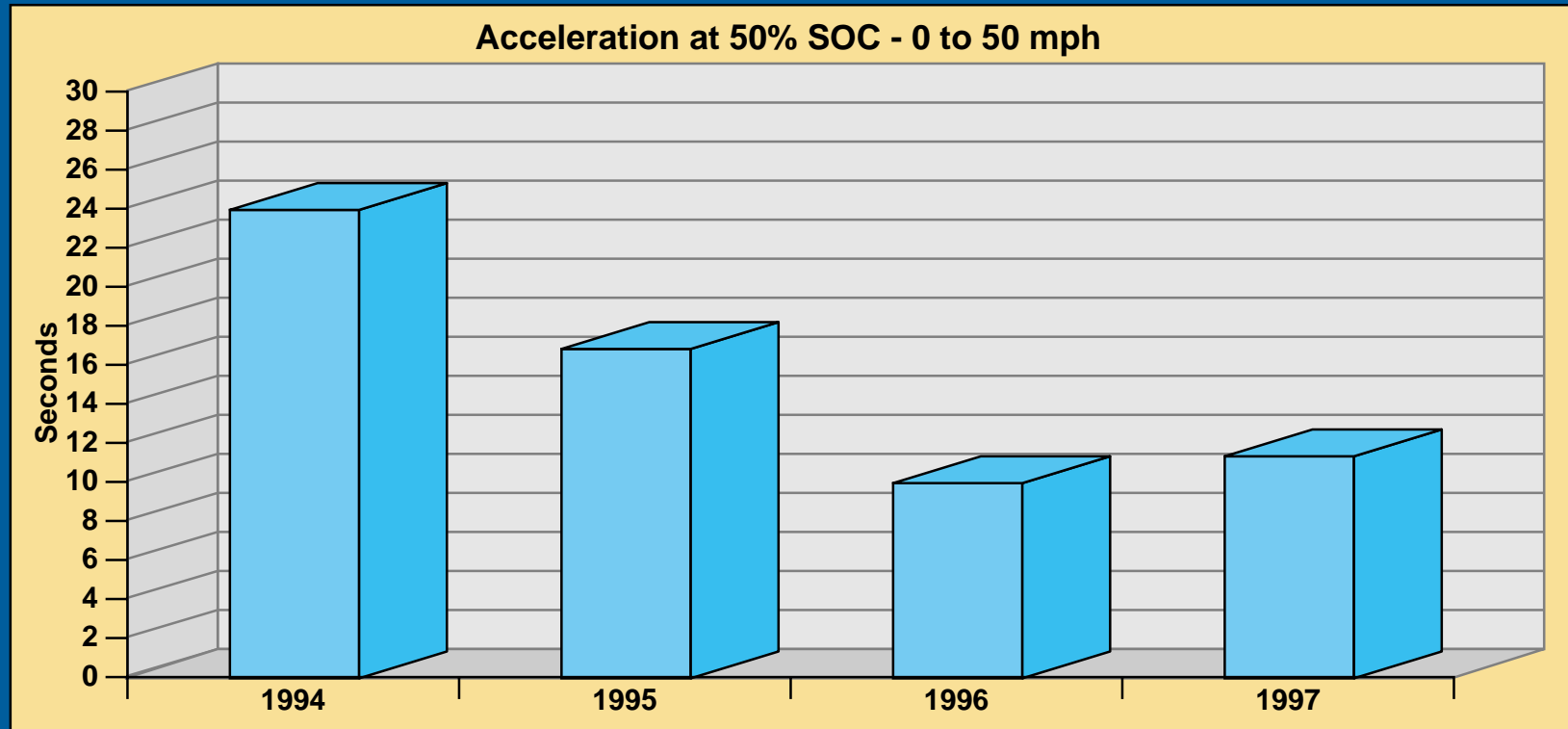
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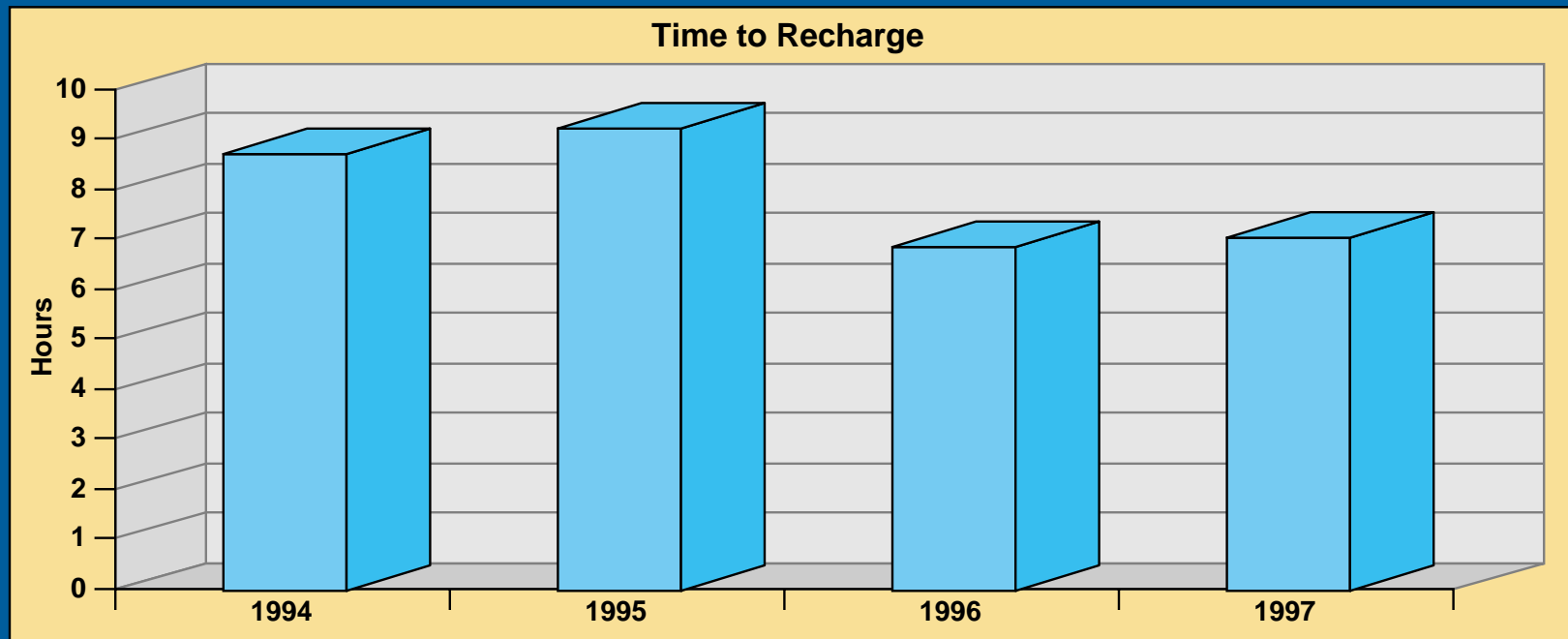
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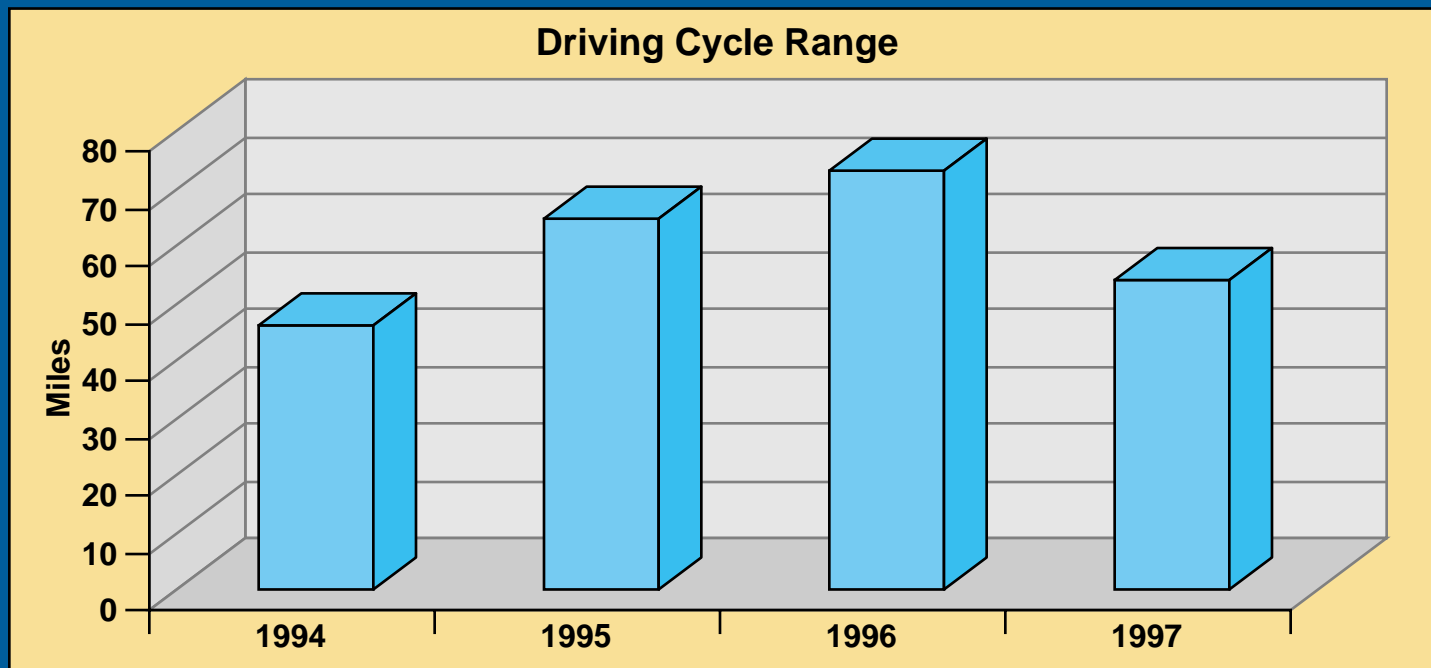
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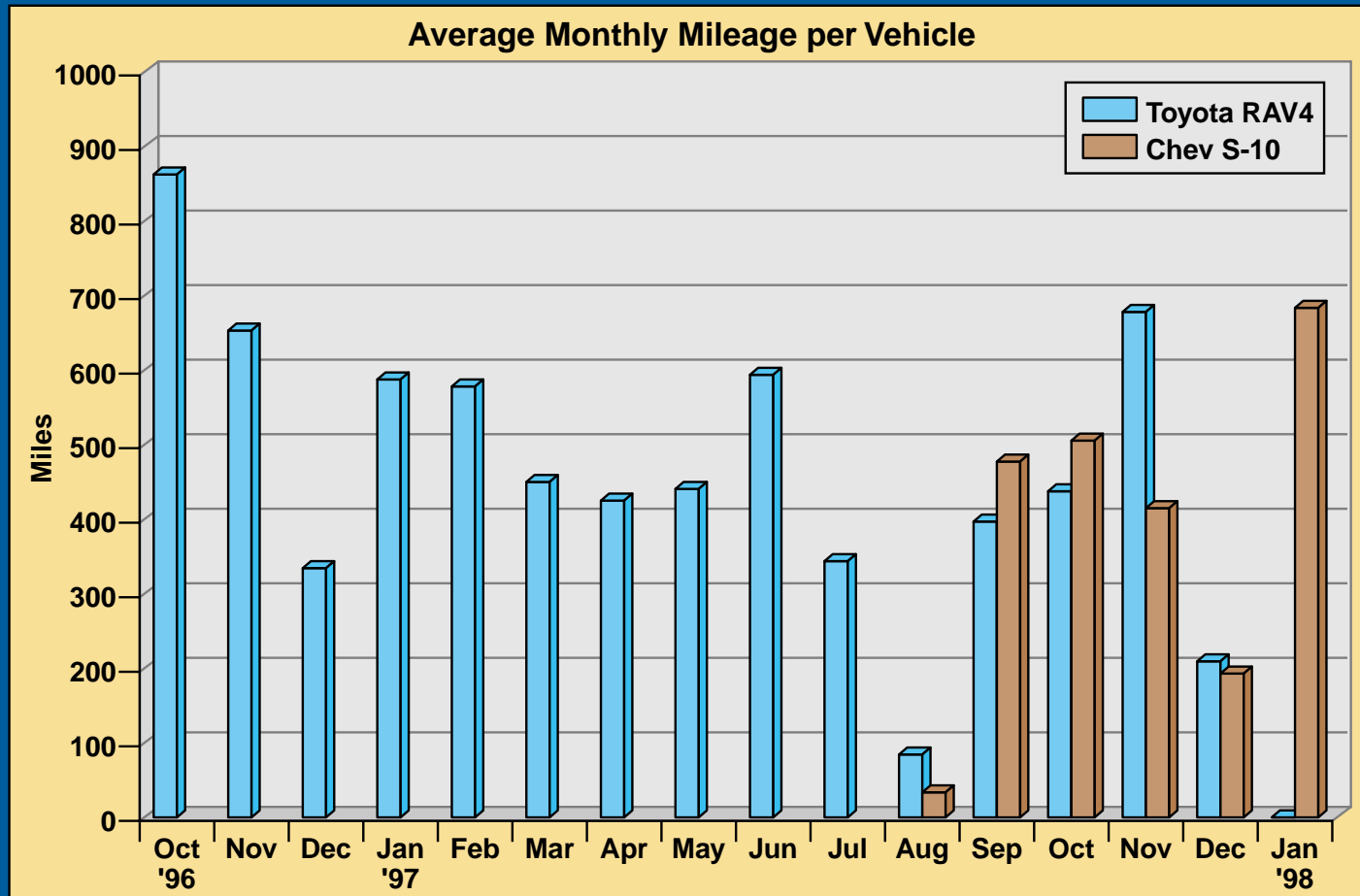
Fleet Testing Activities

- *Data acquisition*
 - *kWh meter onboard, for onboard conductive chargers*
 - *kWh meter offboard, for inductive chargers*
 - *kWh data stored in 15 minute segments*
 - *Odometer readings*
 - *Location, vehicle identification, time/date*

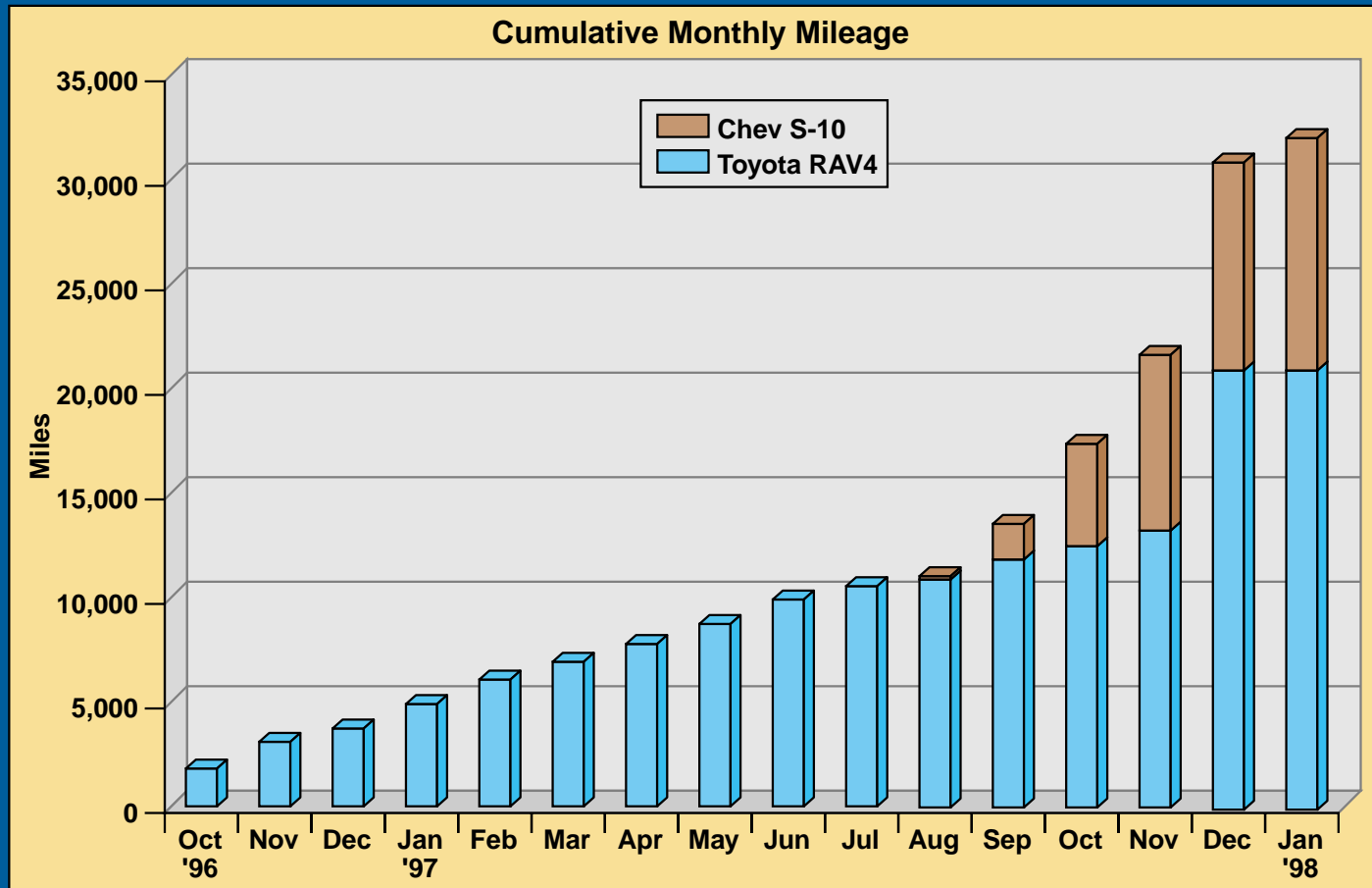
Fleet Testing Activities

- *Information Calculated*
 - *Charging profiles for 24 hours by fleets, models, and individual vehicles*
 - *Average and maximum charging rates*
 - *Range in miles per kWh*
 - *Daily distance based on charging patterns*
 - *Range per charge*
 - *Energy efficiency; mileage; and energy use by fleet, model, and vehicle*

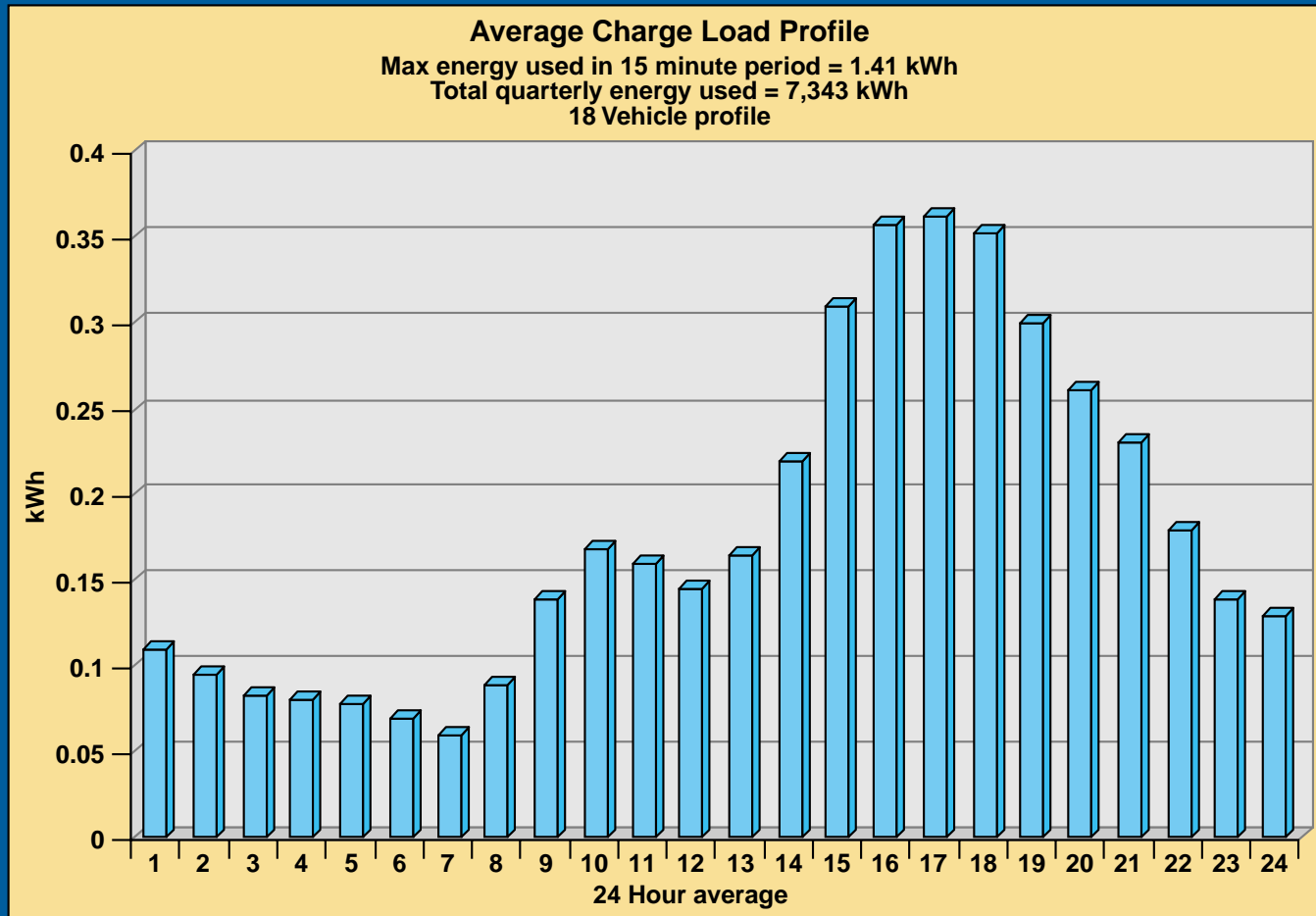
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Accelerated Reliability Testing

- *Chrysler EPIC (lead acid) 4,000+ miles*
- *Chevrolet S-10 - several vehicles, 12,000+ miles per vehicle*
- *Toyota RAV4 and Ford Ranger now entering testing*
- *KWh, mileage, and maintenance requirements collected*
- *Topical reports*

Infrastructure Development

- *Infrastructure Working Council*
 - *Health and Safety*
 - *Load Management, Distribution, and Power Quality*
 - *Data Interface*
 - *Bus/Non Road*
 - *Connector & Connecting Stations*
 - *Defining Level 1, 2, and 3 charging standards*
 - *Developing connector hardware*

Charging Connectors

- *Conductive - direct wire-to-wire “traditional” connection. Both offboard and onboard chargers.*
 - *Chrysler, Ford, Honda, Toyota*
- *Inductive - transfer power by magnetic coupling between the windings of two separate coils, one in the paddle and one in the vehicle receptor. Offboard charger.*
 - *General Motors, Nissan*

Chargers - Level of Power Classification

- *Level 1 - Common household type of circuit, rated to 120 volts/AC and rated to 15 amps, standard household 3-prong connection, portable equipment, often results in low miles/AC kWh efficiencies*
- *Level 2 - Permanently wired EVSE used specially for electric vehicle charging, rated up to 240 volts/AC, up to 60 amps, and up to 14.4 KW*
- *Level 3 - Permanently wired EVSE used specially for electric vehicle charging, rated greater than 14.4 KW*

Chargers - Fast Charging

- *Fast chargers are rated as Level 3 chargers. However, not all Level 3 chargers are considered as fast chargers. This depends on the size of the battery pack to be charged and how much time is required to charge the battery pack. A charger generally can be considered a fast charger if it is capable of charging an average electric vehicle battery pack in about 20 to 30 minutes or less*

Summary

- *Leaving vehicles charging over weekends/nights results in low miles/AC kWh efficiencies*
- *Early vehicles often failed to meet performance goals*
- *Average annual performance results are improving*
- *New vehicles are OEM manufactured and include warranties*
- *Performance test results suggests that vehicle quality is significantly increasing as OEMs provide vehicles*

Summary (cont'd)

- *Vehicles in fleet and reliability testing*
 - *Chevrolet S-10s (Lead acid)*
 - *RAV4s (NiMH)*
 - *Ford Rangers (Lead acid)*
 - *Chrysler EPIC (Lead acid)*
- *Vehicles in baseline performance testing (1998)*
 - *Toyota RAV4 (NiMH)*
 - *3 OEM vehicles with advanced (NiMH) battery packs*

Field Operations Program - Web Homepage

- *Operations, performance, and maintenance results disseminated through formal reports and the World-Wide-Web*

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