



# Getting to Know Your 2008 Grand Prix



## Table of Contents

### DRIVER INFORMATION

Instrument Panel .....	2
Instrument Panel Cluster .....	3
Driver Information Center/ Trip Computer .....	4

### SAFETY & SECURITY

Dual Stage Frontal Airbags .....	6
Side Impact Airbags .....	6

### COMFORT

Cabin Air Filter .....	6
Climate Controls .....	6
Dual Automatic Climate Control .....	7
Power Seat .....	8

### ENTERTAINMENT

Audio Systems .....	8
XM Satellite Radio .....	10
Touch Screen Navigation Entertainment System .....	11

### CONVENIENCE

Remote Vehicle Start .....	11
Daytime Running Lamps .....	12
Exterior Lamps Control .....	12
Cruise Control .....	13
Windshield Wipers & Washer .....	13
Head-Up Display Center Console Controls .....	14
Accessory Power Outlets .....	16
Fold-Flat Front Passenger Seat .....	16
Split-Folding Rear Seat .....	16
Remote Trunk Release .....	16

### PERFORMANCE & MAINTENANCE

TAPshift® Manual Performance Shifter .....	17
Parking Brake Operation .....	17
Hood Release .....	18
StabiliTrak® Sport System .....	18
Full-Function Traction Control .....	18
Enhanced Traction System .....	18
Fuel .....	19
Securing the Fuel Tank Cap .....	19
Tire Inflator Kit .....	19

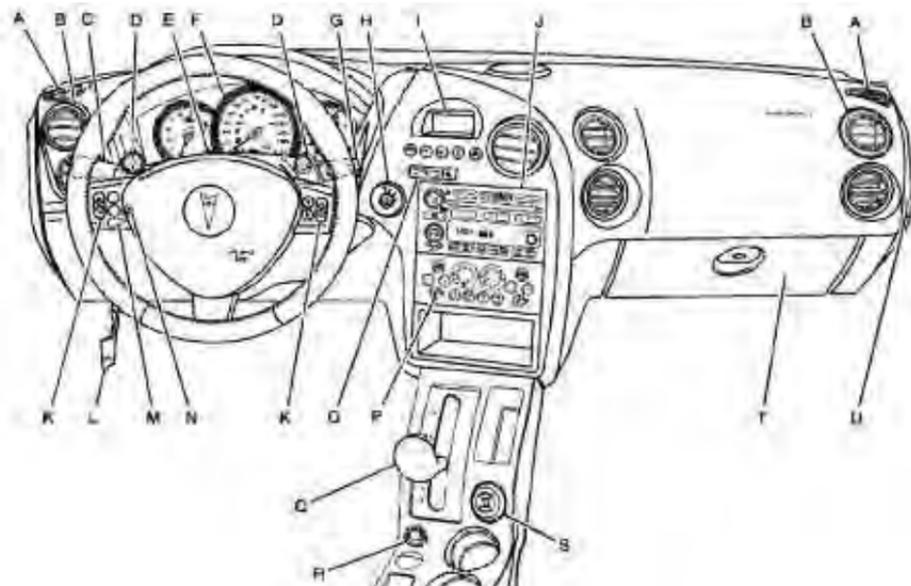
### OWNER INFORMATION

Roadside Assistance .....	20
My GMLink .....	20

Congratulations on your purchase of a Pontiac Grand Prix. Please read this information and your Owner Manual to ensure an outstanding ownership experience. Note that your vehicle may not include all the features described in this booklet. Keep this booklet with your Owner Manual for easy reference.

## DRIVER INFORMATION

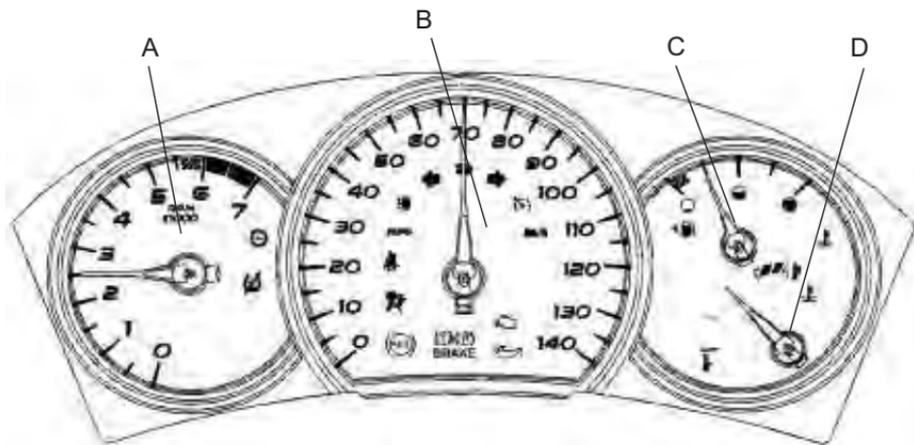
## Instrument Panel



- |  |   |                                      |
|--|---|--------------------------------------|
| A. Side Window Defogger Outlets                        | G. Windshield Wiper Lever                         | N. Interior Lamps Brightness Control |
| B. Air Outlets   | H. Ignition                                       | O. Passenger Airbag Status Indicator |
| C. Turn Signal/Multifunction Lever and Cruise Controls | I. Driver Information Center (DIC)                | P. Climate Controls                  |
| D. TAPshift Control (if equipped)                      | J. Audio System                                   | Q. Shift Lever                       |
| E. Hazard Warning Flashers Button                      | K. Audio Steering Wheel Controls (if equipped)    | R. Traction Control Button           |
| F. Instrument Panel Cluster                            | L. Hood Release                                   | S. Head-Up Display (HUD) Control     |
|  | M. Tilt Steering Wheel Lever (on steering column) | T. Glove Box                         |
|  |   | U. Instrument Panel Fuse Block       |

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

## Instrument Panel Cluster



Your vehicle's instrument panel is equipped with this cluster or one very similar to it. The instrument panel cluster includes these key features:

- A. Tachometer
- B. Speedometer
- C. Fuel Gauge
- D. Engine Coolant Temperature

**Note:** The instrument panel cluster is designed to let you know about many important aspects of your vehicle's operation. It is important to read your Owner Manual and become familiar with the information that is being relayed to you by the cluster's lights, gauges and indicators, as well as what action can be taken to ensure safety and to prevent damage.

**Note:** The instrument panel cluster is not equipped with an odometer. The odometer is located in the DIC or Trip Computer. A kilometer scale can be accessed using the **i** button on the DIC or Trip Computer. See the DIC/Trip Computer section in the booklet for instructions on displaying the odometer.

**See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.**

# Getting to Know Your Grand Prix

## Driver Information Center/ Trip Computer

The chart below lists the functions of the Driver Information Center (DIC) and Trip Computer.

	Function	Usage	
		DIC	Trip Computer
1	Driver Warning Messages	x	x
2	Infotainment Messages	x	x
	<i>Primary Menu Group</i>		
3	Language Selection	x	x
4	English/Metric Units Selection	x	x
5	Daytime Enhancement Mode	x	x
6	Day & Date	x	x
7	Gearshift Indicator (PRNDL)	x	x
8	8-Point Compass		x
9	Outside Air Temperature		x
10	Oil Reset	x	x
11	Tire Pressure & Reset	x	x
12	Personalization Settings	x	x
	<i>Trip &amp; Odometer Group</i>		
13	Total Odometer	x	x
14	Trip Odometer A & B	x	x
15	Average Speed		x
16	Elapsed Time		x
	<i>Fuel Group</i>		
17	Average Fuel Economy		x
18	Instantaneous Fuel Economy		x
19	Range Remaining		x
	<i>Gauges Group</i>		
20	Oil Life Remaining		x
21	Transmission Fluid Temperature		x
22	Battery Voltage		x
23	Engine Boost		x
24	Max G Force Display (if equipped)		x
25	Engine Hours		x

The base DIC has three buttons: **Trip/Odometer**, **Set/Reset** and **Display/Personal Programming**. The five-button Trip Computer, if equipped, adds a **Gauges** button to the far left and a **Fuel** button to the far right.



(Trip Computer shown)

↔ Pressing the **Gauges** button *on the optional Trip Computer* accesses these modes:

- Oil Life Remaining in %
- Transmission Fluid Temperature
- Battery Voltage
- Engine Hours
- Engine Boost (supercharged engine only)
- Maximum G Force (GXP StabiliTrak only)

↔ Pressing the **Trip Odometer** button *on either the DIC or optional Trip Computer* accesses these modes:

- Vehicle Odometer
- Trip Distances (Trip A and Trip B)

In addition, pressing the **Trip/Odometer** button *on the Trip Computer* accesses these modes:

- Average Speed
- Elapsed Time

← Pressing the **Set/Reset** button *on either the DIC or Trip Computer* will set or reset a menu item when using the Trip/Odometer or Display/Personal Programming mode.

**i** Pressing the **Display/Personal Programming** button *on either the DIC or Trip Computer* accesses these modes:

- Date
- Language (English/French/Spanish)
- Display Units (English/Metric)
- Daytime Display Enhancement (black font on red background)

**Note:** If the red background is selected during the day, the display will switch to red on black for nighttime use.

- Engine Oil Monitor
- Tire Inflation Monitor
- Compass Setting (Trip Computer only)
- Personalization Settings
  - Exterior Lighting Delay
  - Interior Lights When Door Is Closed
  - Interior Lights When Key Is Removed
  - Auto Door Lock
  - Auto Door Unlock
  - Auto Door Lock On
  - Delayed Locking
  - Remote Locks Feedback
  - Theft Deterrent
  - Key Cylinder Disarm
  - Lock Switch Arm
  - Display Off

**F** Pressing the **Fuel** button *on the Trip Computer* accesses these modes:

- Average Economy
- Instant Economy
- Range

Refer to your Owner Manual for a listing of driver warning messages and infotainment messages. The driver warning messages provide critical infotainment to prevent damage to your vehicle. It is important to read your Owner Manual and become familiar with the information displayed and what action to take to ensure safety and to prevent damage.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual*.

## SAFETY & SECURITY

### Dual Stage Frontal Airbags

Dual stage frontal airbags for the driver and right front passenger adjust the amount of restraint in relation to the severity of an impact. For moderate impacts, the airbags deploy at a level less than full deployment. For more severe frontal impacts, full deployment occurs.

See *Section 1 of your Owner Manual*.

### Side Impact Airbags (if equipped)

The side impact airbags are located in the roof above the side windows. They are designed to inflate in moderate to severe side crashes and only on the side of the vehicle that is struck.

See *Section 1 of your Owner Manual*.

## COMFORT

### Cabin Air Filter

Located inside the vehicle's heating and air conditioning housing, the cabin air filter reduces dust, pollen, smoke and other contaminants within the vehicle cabin. A reduction in the amount of airflow coming from the heating and air conditioning outlets could indicate a dirty cabin air filter.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual*.

### Climate Controls

The climate control system regulates the heating, cooling and ventilation of your vehicle.



#### Airflow Modes

The climate control system includes five primary modes:

 **(Vent):** Directs air to the instrument panel outlets.

 **(Bi-Level):** Directs half of the air to the instrument panel outlets and the remaining air to the floor outlets.

 **(Floor):** Directs most of the air to the floor outlets with some air directed to the side window outlets and windshield.

 **(Defog):** Directs air to the windshield, side window outlets and floor outlets. Recirculation will not function in this mode.

 **(Defrost):** Directs most of the air to the windshield and the side outlets with some air directed to the floor outlets. Recirculation will not function in this mode.

The mode functions can be “blended” by pointing the center knob to one of the white dots shown between the main modes. The center air outlet, next to the DIC or Trip Computer, is the largest outlet and will flow more air than the other outlets.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

## Dual Automatic Climate Control (if equipped)

### AUTO (Automatic Operation)

- Turn both the fan and mode knobs to the AUTO position for automatic control of the inside temperature, air delivery mode and fan speed.
- Press the up arrow to raise the temperature and press the down arrow to lower the temperature.
- Press the PASS button to turn the passenger climate control system on or off.

Do not cover the solar sensor located in the center of the instrument panel, near the windshield. The automatic climate control system uses information from the sensor to maintain the selected temperature.

### Manual Operation

**Temperature:** Press the driver or passenger up arrow to raise the temperature and press the driver or passenger down arrow to lower the temperature.

**Fan:** Turn the fan knob to increase or decrease fan speed.

 **(Off):** Turn the fan knob to the Off position to turn the system off. Only the heated seats and the rear defogger will function when the fan knob is off.

 **(Air Conditioning):** Press this button to turn on the air conditioning system. If the air conditioning is turned off by pushing the  button, the Fan and Auto mode light may remain illuminated; however, the air conditioning will not be activated. To turn the air conditioning back on, push the  button again or rotate the mode control knob clockwise one detent and then counterclockwise one detent.

 **(Recirculation)** (maximum cooling): Press this button to recirculate inside air throughout the vehicle. This mode maximizes cooling by keeping outside air from entering the vehicle.

 **(Rear Window Defogger):** Press this button to activate the rear window defogger. The defogger will shut off automatically after about 20 minutes.

### Airflow Modes

Turn the airflow control knob to one of the following five modes to change the direction of the airflow:

 **(Vent):** This mode directs air to the instrument panel outlets.

 **(Bi-Level):** This mode directs air to the instrument panel outlets and floor outlets.

 **(Floor):** This mode directs most of the air to the floor outlets and some air to the side window outlets and windshield.

 **(Defog):** This mode directs air to the windshield, side window outlets and floor outlets. Recirculation will not function in this mode.

 **(Defrost):** This mode directs most of the air to the windshield and some air to the side window outlets. Recirculation will not function in this mode.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

## Power Seat



The power seat adjustment control is located on the outboard side of the driver's seat.

### Seat Adjustments:

- Slide the control toward the front or rear to move the seat forward or rearward.
- Slide the control up or down to raise or lower the seat cushion.
- Move the front part of the control up or down to raise or lower the front section of the seat.
- Move the rear part of the control up or down to raise or lower the rear portion of the seat.

### Power Lumbar Adjustment (if equipped)

The power lumbar control lets you adjust the amount of support in the lower seatback. The control is located on the outboard side of the seat cushion.



See Section 1 of your Owner Manual.

## ENTERTAINMENT

### Audio Systems

#### Controls:

**PWR** (POWER)

**VOL** (VOLUME)

**scv** (SPEED-COMPENSATED VOLUME)

**RCL** (RECALL) — Toggles between radio station setting and time; accesses messages from XM Satellite Radio Subscription Service

**BAND** (AM/FM OR XM SATELLITE RADIO SUBSCRIPTION SERVICE)

**TUNE**

**SEEK AND SCAN**

**STATION PRESETS**

**tone** (BASS/TREBLE)

**EQ** (EQUALIZER)

**BALANCE/FADE** (SPEAKER ADJUSTMENT)

**INFO** (INFORMATION) — Receives text messages transmitted by FM stations with RDS

**PROG TYPE** (PTY) — Use to select a preferred program category (Talk, Country, Rock, etc.) for FM or XM stations with a Radio Data System (RDS)

**TRAF** (TRAFFIC) — Indicates whether the tuned station provides traffic reports (or finds one that does), and can be set to interrupt other radio station settings, XM programs or CDs when a traffic report is broadcast



### CD Player Controls:

▷▷ (FORWARD)

RDM (RANDOM)

◁◁ (REVERSE)

EQ (EQUALIZER)

SEEK/SCAN

RCL (RECALL)

**BAND** — Press to listen to the radio when CD is playing

△ (EJECT)

### Loading the Six-Disc CD Changer (if equipped)

This compact disc player will hold up to six discs. To insert one disc, do the following:

1. Turn the ignition on.
2. Press and release the LOAD side of the LOAD CD button.
3. Wait for the light, located to the right of the slot, to turn green.
4. Load a disc. Insert the disc partway into the slot, label side up. The player will pull the disc in.

To insert multiple discs, do the following:

1. Turn the ignition on.
2. Press and hold the LOAD side of the LOAD CD button for two seconds. You will hear a beep; and then the light, located to the right of the slot, will begin to flash.
3. Once the light stops flashing and turns green, load a disc. Insert the disc partway into the slot, label side up. The player will pull the disc in.
4. Once the disc is loaded, the light will begin flashing again. When the light stops flashing and turns green, you can load another disc. Do not try to load more than six discs.

**Note:** CDs with any affixed labels may jam in the CD player. Label a CD using a permanent marker. If more than one CD is inserted into the slot at one time, or if scratched or damaged CDs are played, the CD player could be damaged. When using the CD player, use only CDs in good condition without labels; load one CD at a time; and keep the CD player and the loading slot free of foreign materials, liquids or debris.

### MP3 Capability (if equipped)

The AM/FM Stereo with CD has MP3 playing capability. A CD-R or CD-RW containing MP3 audio tracks will play automatically when inserted into the CD player. An MP3 symbol will be displayed.

### Steering Wheel Controls



△▽ (SEEK)

◀ (BACK 1 TRACK)

▶ (FORWARD 1 TRACK)

**BAND** (AM/FM/XM)

**1-6** (Scan radio presets on the selected band)

🔇 (MUTE)

▶ (PLAY CD)

△-▽ (VOLUME)

### Door Chime Volume Adjustment

You can adjust the volume level of the door chime. With the ignition on, and the radio off, press and hold the #6 button on the radio. The radio will display either a LOUD or NORMAL readout. Hold the button until the setting changes. The button must be released and pressed again each time you want to change the volume.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual*.

### XM Satellite Radio (if equipped)

XM Satellite Radio offers more than 170 channels of digital-quality sound — coast to coast — including music, news, sports, talk and children's programming. XM displays song title, artist and entertainment genre.

On equipped radios, two additional listening bands are available: XM1 and XM2. To access these bands, press the BAND button until XM1 or XM2 appears on the display.

XM Satellite Radio service is based in the continental United States and Canada. An activation fee and service subscription are required. For more information, visit XM online at [www.XMradio.com](http://www.XMradio.com) or call 1-800-852-XXXM (9696).

**Note:** The performance of the XM system may be affected if the sunroof is open.

## Touch Screen Navigation Entertainment System (if equipped)



Your vehicle's Navigation Entertainment System provides you with detailed maps of all major highways and roads throughout the United States. After you enter a destination, the system provides turn-by-turn instructions for reaching your destination. In addition, the system can help you locate banks, airports, restaurants, post offices, ATMs and more.

See your Navigation Entertainment System Quick Reference Guide for operating instructions for the Navigation and Radio/CD Systems.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual.*

## CONVENIENCE

### Remote Vehicle Start (if equipped)

This feature allows you to start the engine from outside the vehicle by using the Remote Keyless Entry transmitter. (Normal transmitter range is within approximately 200 feet of the vehicle.)

You can also set the climate control system to heat or cool the vehicle interior before getting in. The engine will run for about 10 minutes before turning itself off, but can be extended 10 minutes by performing another remote start sequence before the first 10 minutes expires, or after the engine has shut off. No additional remote starts are allowed until the vehicle has been started with the ignition key.



### Starting the Vehicle

1. Aim the transmitter at the vehicle.
2. Press and release the Lock button on the transmitter.
3. Immediately press and hold the Remote Start button for at least two seconds or until the turn signal lights flash, indicating the engine has started.

- When the vehicle starts, the parking lamps will light and stay on while the engine is running.
- Repeat these steps for a 10-minute time extension, which begins when the second activation is made.

### Turning Off the Engine After a Remote Start

To turn off the engine after a remote start, but before driving, press and hold the Remote Start button until the parking lamps turn off, OR press and release the Hazard Warning Flashers button inside the vehicle. Press the button again to turn off the flashers.

### Driving the Vehicle

To drive the vehicle after a remote start, insert the ignition key into the ignition cylinder and turn it to the Run position.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual*.

### Daytime Running Lamps

Daytime Running Lamps (DRL) make it easier for others to see the front of your vehicle during the day by lighting the amber lamps located in the lower front fascia. (Always turn on the regular headlamp system when it is needed.)

You can turn off the DRL by rotating the exterior lamps control on the multifunction switch to the full-down position. Rotate the switch down again for the DRL to come back on.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual*.

### Exterior Lamps Control

The exterior lamps control can be turned to the following positions by rotating the outer band:



**⏻ (Off):** Rotate the band to this position to turn off all lamps.

**AUTO (Automatic):** Rotate the band to this position to automatically turn the exterior lamps on or off, depending on ambient light conditions outside the vehicle.

**⏻ (Parking Lamps):** Rotate the band to this position to turn on parking lamps, side-marker lamps, taillamps, license plate lamps and instrument panel lamps.

**⏻ (Headlamps):** Rotate the band to this position to turn on the headlamps, together with the previously listed lamps.

**⏻ (Fog Lamps) (if equipped):** Turn the inner band up to turn on the fog lamps. This symbol will also illuminate on the instrument panel cluster. Turn the band up again to turn off the fog lamps.

**Note:** The fog lamps will not light when the headlamp high beams are on. The fog lamps will always turn off when the ignition is turned off. If fog lamp illumination is desired, they must be turned on each time the ignition is turned on.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual*.

## Cruise Control



Use the Cruise Control for steady driving on relatively straight, uncrowded roads. The controls are located on the end of the multifunction lever.

The Cruise Control functions include:

- **(Off):** Slide the control to this position to turn off the system.
- | **(On):** Slide the control to this position to turn on the system.
- **(Set/Decrease):** Press the button at the end of the multifunction lever to set the speed or decrease vehicle speed when Cruise Control is already active.
- + **(Resume/Accelerate):** Slide the control to this position to resume a previously set speed or to accelerate when Cruise Control is already active.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

## Windshield Wipers & Washer



The lever on the right side of the steering column operates the windshield wipers.

Set the controls to the following desired position:

- **(Off):** Move the lever down to turn the wipers off.
- ☒ **(Delay):** Set lever to this position for a delay between wipes; turn the delay adjustment band to set the delay length.
- ☒ **(Delay Adjustment):** Rotate the band to set the length of the delay. The windshield wiper lever must be in the delay position for this feature to work.
- **(Low Speed):** Place the lever in this position for slow, steady wiping.
- **(High Speed):** Place the lever in this position for quick wiping cycles.

**Note:** Approximately 20 seconds after the windshield wipers begin to operate, the exterior and instrument panel lights will come on and the DIC display will dim. Approximately 10 seconds after the wipers are turned off, the exterior and instrument panel lights go off and the DIC display will brighten. At this point, always make sure that you have appropriate lighting for the current driving conditions.

The windshield washer (  ) button is located on the end of the windshield wiper lever. Press the button to wash the windshield. If your vehicle is low on washer fluid, the Check Washer Fluid message will appear on the Driver Information Center (DIC) display.

See *Section 3 of your Owner Manual*.

## Head-Up Display Center Console Controls

The ignition must be in the Run position for HUD to be activated. Whenever HUD is activated, a Grand Prix icon (GP) will be displayed and will remain on for anywhere from four seconds to two minutes depending on the ambient temperature of the system. When the icon disappears, the HUD will display the format screen activated during the last Run ignition cycle.

The HUD displays vital information “through” the windshield, eliminating the need for the driver to look away from the road. The information will appear to be a virtual image located at the front of the vehicle.

HUD information can be displayed in English or Metric units and in English, French or Spanish language. Your choice can be selected through the vehicle’s Driver Information Center. Refer to your Owner Manual for the procedure.

The HUD control switch is located in the center console next to the gear shifter.



### Intensity

When the circle in the outer ring is positioned at the upper arrow, the HUD will be turned off. Rotate the ring to the right to turn the HUD on and increase the intensity of the display to full brightness. The HUD system will automatically brighten or dim as the ambient light increases or decreases.

**Note:** If you wear polarized sunglasses when viewing the HUD, the image may not be visible.

### Position

Press the up or down arrow to move the display within a limited range to the desired viewing position.

### Formats

Press the center “page” button to cycle through the three available HUD formats.

**Note:** Certain HUD information that is always active will shrink or move when other information is activated. This information may also include an ISO symbol (registered with the International Organization for Standardization) representing the active function or feature.

### Format One

Format One will display the following information for the approximate time indicated:

1. **Vehicle speed** — always.
2. **High beam indicator** — when active.
3. **Turn signals** — when active.
4. **8-point compass** — normally. Replaced by Nos. 8 through 15.
5. **Secondary PRNDL** — normally. Replaced by Nos. 8 through 15.
6. **Outside air temperature** — normally. Replaced by Nos. 8 through 15.
7. **Tap Up/Down Gear position & Upshift ISO symbol** — displayed in place of PRNDL when in TAPshift mode. Upshift ISO symbol displays when commanded by driving conditions. Replaced by Nos. 8 through 15.
8. **Radio Station Frequency** — six seconds when station is changed. Not displayed when tune knob on XM Satellite Radio is used.
9. **Single CD: track number with corresponding ISO symbol** — six seconds when CD is loaded into radio or CD is started.
10. **Multiple CD: disc number and track number with corresponding ISO symbol** — six seconds under same conditions as No. 9 or when changer switched CD.
11. **Check Trip Computer** — four seconds when warning is displayed in DIC, then every 10 minutes until warning is acknowledged or cleared by vehicle.

12. **Traction Control Active with corresponding ISO symbol** — when system is engaged, or four seconds, whichever is greater.
13. **Traction Control Off with corresponding ISO symbol** — four seconds when system is turned off.
14. **Stability Control Active with corresponding ISO symbol** — when system is engaged, or four seconds, whichever is greater.
15. **Stealth Mode Off with corresponding ISO symbol** — four seconds when entering Format One from Format Three. HUD will command the cluster to turn on gauge illumination.

### Format Two

With the exception of the compass and outside temperature information, Format Two will display the same information, and will function the same, as Format One.

### Format Three

This format is available only when the instrument panel lighting is on. When entering Format Three, **Stealth Mode ON** will appear for about four seconds. HUD will command the cluster to turn off the gauge illumination. Format Three will display the same information, and will function the same, as Format One.

*See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.*

### Accessory Power Outlets

Two 12-volt accessory outlets are included for convenient use of electrical accessories such as cell phones and CD players. One outlet is located on the center console to the left of the cupholders, and the other is located inside the console.

A cigarette lighter element is available for your vehicle. Contact your dealer's service department if you wish to have one installed.

**Note:** Adding some electrical equipment to your vehicle can damage it or prevent other features from working properly. This would not be covered by your warranty. Check with your dealer before adding electrical equipment, and never use anything that exceeds the amperage rating.

See Section 3 of your Owner Manual.

### Fold-Flat Front Passenger Seat (if equipped)



With the front passenger seat folded flat and used in combination with the utility offered by the 60/40 split-folding rear seat and trunk, the Grand Prix can accommodate narrow cargo up to nine feet long.

Before you fold the seatback, ensure that the seatback is in the third recline detent position.

To fold the seatback forward, pull up the lever in the middle of the seatback and push the seat forward until it lies flat. To restore the seat to its upright position, pull up on the lever in the middle of the seatback, lift the seatback up and ensure that it locks into place.

See Section 1 of your Owner Manual.

### Split-Folding Rear Seat

You can fold down either side or both sides of your rear seatback for more cargo space.

To lower the rear seatback, pull forward on the tabs located on the outboard side of the rear seat cushion.

See Section 1 of your Owner Manual.

### Remote Trunk Release



Press the power door lock button on either front door to the "unlock" position for **three seconds** to unlatch the trunk from inside the vehicle. The vehicle must be in Park to release the trunk.

See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.

## PERFORMANCE & MAINTENANCE

### TAPshift® Manual Performance Shifter (GXP models)

Models with TAPshift® can be manually shifted by following the instructions below.



#### Manual (M)

Placing the console shifter in the “M” (Manual) position allows you to shift gears by using the TAPshift® paddles located on the steering wheel.

Push either paddle once to upshift to the next gear. Pull either paddle once to downshift to the next gear. The command gear will be displayed in the instrument cluster and also in the Head-Up Display (HUD).

#### While Driving

If the Manual position is selected while driving, the gear that the vehicle is in will be displayed. If the current vehicle speed is too high when requesting a lower gear, the downshift will not occur and a chime will indicate that the requested gear was denied.

If the current vehicle speed is too low when requesting a higher gear, the upshift will not occur and a chime will indicate that the requested gear was denied. As the vehicle slows to a stop, the transmission will automatically shift down to first gear.

#### Starting From a Stop

The vehicle will automatically be in first gear as it comes to a stop or when initially started up in the Manual mode.

The vehicle may be started in second gear from a stop. A second gear start may be used for starting on slippery roads. Commanding the vehicle to start up in third gear will not occur and a chime will indicate that the request was denied.

As vehicle speed increases, it will not automatically upshift. It will stay in either first or second gear (if second gear was selected) until the paddle is pushed to upshift. As the engine speed increases during full-throttle acceleration, the “upshift” light/symbol will illuminate on the instrument cluster and HUD, indicating that the paddle should be pushed to upshift. If the upshift is not commanded by pushing the paddle, the vehicle speed will be limited in order to protect the engine.

*See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.*

### Parking Brake Operation

**To Set:** The parking brake pedal is located to the left of the brake pedal.

To set it, hold down the regular brake pedal with your right foot, and then push down on the parking brake pedal with your left foot.



**To Release:** Follow the same procedure for setting the parking brake, but lift your left foot first.

*See Section 2 of your Owner Manual.*

### Hood Release

To open the hood, pull the hood release located near the parking brake pedal and the driver door.



At the front of the vehicle, release the secondary hood latch, located near the center front of the engine compartment, by moving it to the right. Lift the hood.

See Section 5 of your Owner Manual.

### StabiliTrak® Sport System (if equipped)

StabiliTrak® Sport, a computer-controlled, vehicle stability enhancement system, assists with vehicle directional control in difficult driving conditions. When the computer senses a discrepancy between the direction in which the vehicle is being steered and its actual path, the system selectively applies brake pressure to any one of the vehicle's brakes to help steer in the direction you have intended. For this application, StabiliTrak® Sport is tuned to maintain both safety and the capacity for performance driving without premature intervention.

See Section 4 of your Owner Manual.

### Full-Function Traction Control (if equipped)

Grand Prix models with V8 engines have a traction control system that limits wheelspin when it senses that one or both front wheels are spinning or beginning to lose traction. The system controls wheelspin by applying the front brakes and reducing engine power.

The system can be disabled by pressing the TC button located on the console if you become stuck in the sand, mud or snow and rocking the vehicle is necessary.

See Section 4 of your Owner Manual.

### Enhanced Traction System (if equipped)

Grand Prix models equipped with the 3800 V6 engine may have an Enhanced Traction System (ETS) that works to limit wheelspin.

When the system senses that one or both front wheels are spinning or beginning to lose traction, it reduces engine power and may also upshift the transmission to further reduce spin.



The ETS can be disabled by pressing the TC button located on the console if you become stuck in sand, mud or snow and rocking the vehicle is necessary.

*See Section 4 of your Owner Manual.*

## Fuel

Regular unleaded fuel is recommended for non-supercharged Grand Prix models. Premium unleaded fuel is recommended for supercharged V6 models and V8 models, but is not required. Note that using regular unleaded fuel in a supercharged V6- or V8-equipped model will reduce engine power output, but will not harm the engine.

*See Section 5 of your Owner Manual.*

## Securing the Fuel Tank Cap

After fueling, ensure that the fuel tank cap is installed correctly and tightly. Tighten the cap clockwise until at least three clicks are heard. If the cap is loose or missing, the Malfunction Indicator Lamp will light steadily. If a loose gas cap is the cause, a few driving trips after retightening should cause the light to go out. If the light remains on, have the vehicle serviced.

*See Section 5 of your Owner Manual.*

## Tire Inflator Kit (GXP models)



Your vehicle does not have a spare tire or a jack. In case of a flat tire, a tire inflator kit is provided to seal small punctures in the tread area of the tire. The kit, located under the carpet in the trunk, includes an air compressor, tire sealant canister, an accessory plug, and an air pressure gauge. To remove the inflator kit cover, turn the center nut counterclockwise.

Refer to the tire inflator kit instructions for complete operating information.

*See Section 5 of your Owner Manual.*

**OWNER INFORMATION****Roadside Assistance****1-800-ROADSIDE  
(1-800-762-3743)**

TTY Users: 1-888-889-2438

As the proud owner of a new Pontiac vehicle, you are automatically enrolled in the Pontiac Roadside Assistance program. This value-added service is intended to provide you with peace of mind as you drive in the city or travel the open road.

Pontiac's Roadside Assistance toll-free number is staffed by a team of technically trained advisors, who are available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. The advisors can provide minor repair information or make arrangements to tow your vehicle to the nearest Pontiac dealer.

Pontiac will provide the following services for 5 years/100,000 miles at no expense to you:

- Fuel delivery
- Lockout service (identification required)
- Tow to nearest dealership for warranty service
- Flat tire assistance
- Jump starts

In many instances, mechanical failures are covered under Pontiac's comprehensive warranty. However, when other services are utilized, our advisors will explain any payment obligations you might incur.

For prompt and efficient assistance when calling, please provide the following information to the advisor:

- Location of the vehicle
- Telephone number and your location
- Vehicle model, year and color
- Vehicle mileage
- Vehicle Identification Number (VIN)
- Vehicle license plate number

Pontiac reserves the right to limit services or reimbursement to an owner or driver when, in Pontiac's judgment, the claims become excessive in frequency or type of occurrence.

**Roadside Assistance and OnStar®  
(if equipped)**

If you have a current OnStar subscription, when you press the blue OnStar button, the vehicle will send your current GPS location to an OnStar Advisor who will speak to you, assess your problem, contact Roadside Assistance and relay your exact location so you will get the help you need.

**My GMLink**

The Pontiac Owner Center at My GMLink is a complimentary service for Pontiac owners, a one-stop resource to enhance your Pontiac ownership experience. Exclusive member benefits include online service reminders, vehicle maintenance tips, online owner manual, special privileges and more. Sign up today at [www.mygmlink.com](http://www.mygmlink.com).

Certain restrictions, precautions and safety procedures apply to operating your vehicle. Please read your Owner Manual for complete instructions. All information contained herein is based on information available at the time of printing and is subject to change without notice. Copyright 2007, GM Corp. All rights reserved.



15864633 A