



1962 Production Facts

The 1962 Corvette was offered in solid colors only, the grill is blacked out and the chrome trim around the coves was removed. For the first time since 1957 buyers could order the wheels in the following colors: Black, Beige, Red, Silver, or Maroon. For the first time seat belts were standard equipment from the factory. All engines were now 327 ci, the 283 ci was retired. 1962 was the last year for the solid axle. This is also the last year for an external trunk until the 1998 C5. The exposed headlights also disappeared until the 2005 C6. The Heater/Defroster became standard equipment this year although they could be deleted to save the weight for owners who were buying the car to race it.

Production Options and Build Statistics

Total 1962 Corvettes Built - 14,531

Serial Numbers

Convertible	20867S100001 - 20867S114531
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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	2	1962
2-3	08	body series: Corvette
4-5	67	convertible
6	S	Assembled in St. Louis, MO
7-12	100001 to 114531	production sequence

Engine Serial Number Decoder

1962 Corvette engines have the last six digits of the VIN stamped on the block after the engine number

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"> RC = 327-cid 250-hp V-8 with 10.5:1 compression ratio, manual transmission, and four-barrel carburetor RD = 327-cid 300-hp V-8 with 10.5:1 compression ratio, manual transmission, and four-barrel carburetor RE = 327-cid 340-hp V-8 with 11.25:1 compression ratio, manual transmission, and four-barrel carburetor RF = 327-cid 360-hp V-8 with 11.25:1 compression ratio, manual transmission, and fuel injection SC = 327-cid 250-hp V-8 with 10.5:1 compression ratio, Powerglide automatic transmission and a four-barrel carburetor SD = 327-cid 300-hp V-8 with 10.5:1 compression ratio, Powerglide automatic transmission and dual four-barrel carburetors

The body number plate is located on the engine side of the cowl. Fisher Body Style Number 62-0867 identifies a Corvette. The body number is the serial number of the body. The trim number represents the color of the interior, the paint color is the exterior "Magic Mirror" paint color.

Production Options

RPO	Description	Cost	Total	
			Prod.	%
867	Base Convertible	\$4,038.00	14,531	100.0%
102	AM Radio, Signal Seeking	\$137.75	13,076	90.0%
203	Rear Axle 3.08:1 ratio	\$0.00	N/A	N/A
242	Positive Crankcase Ventilation	\$5.40	N/A	N/A
276	Wheels, 15x5.5	\$0.00	561	3.9%
313	Powerglide Automatic Trans.	\$199.10	1,532	10.5%
396	327ci, 340hp Engine	\$107.60	4,412	30.4%
419	Auxiliary Hardtop	\$236.75	8,074	55.6%
426	Power Windows	\$59.20	698	4.8%
441	Direct Flow Exhaust System	\$0.00	2,934	20.2%
473	Power Operated Folding Top	\$139.90	350	2.4%
488	24 Gallon Fuel Tank	\$118.40	65	0.4%
582	327ci, 360hp Engine (fuel inj.)	\$484.20	1,918	13.2%
583	327ci, 300hp Engine	\$53.80	3,294	22.7%
675	Positraction Rear Axle	\$43.05	14,232	97.9%
685	4-Speed Manual Transmission.	\$188.30	11,318	77.9%
686	Metallic Brakes	\$37.70	2,799	19.3%
687	Heavy Duty Brakes and Susp.	\$333.60	246	1.7%
1832	Whitewall Tires, 6.70x15	\$31.55	N/A	N/A
1833	Blackwall Tires, 6.70x15 nylon	\$15.75	N/A	N/A

Color Options for 1962

RPO	Color	Cost	Ditzler	Dupont	RMNumber	Soft Top Color	Interior Color	Total	
								Prod.	%
N/A	Tuxedo Black	\$0.00	9300	88-L	A-496	White/Black	Red/Black/Fawn	N/A	N/A
920	Fawn Beige	\$0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	White/Black	Red/Fawn	1,851	12.7%
923	Roman Red	\$0.00	70961	2931	1138	White/Black	Black/Red/Fawn	N/A	N/A
936	Ermine White	\$0.00	825	4024	1199	Black/White	Black/Red/Fawn	N/A	N/A
938	Almond Beige	\$0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	Black/White	Red/Fawn	820	5.6%
940	Sateen Silver	\$0.00	31905	4023-L	A-1203	White/Black	Black/Red	N/A	N/A
948	Honduras Maroon	\$0.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	Black/White	Black/Fawn	N/A	N/A

Interior Colors

RPO	Color	Cost	Total	
			Prod.	%
N/A	Black	\$0.00	N/A	N/A
N/A	Red	\$0.00	N/A	N/A
N/A	Fawn	\$0.00	N/A	N/A

1962 Corvette Specifications

Mechanical Dimensions

Feature	Dimensions
Wheelbase	102 inches
Overall length	177.2 inches
Overall width	72.8 inches
Overall height	52.1 inches
Front tread	57 inches
Rear tread	58.8 inches
Fuel Capacity	Welded steel box-section X-braced type
Coolant Capacity	16.4 gal.
Frame	16.5 qt.
Ground Clearance	6.7 inches
Hardtop weight	55 pounds
Interior hip room	59.6 inches
Hat room	42.3 inches
Leg room	46.5 inches
Shoulder room	49.4 inches
Trunk room	12.1 cu. ft
Wheels	15" steel bolt-on wheels
Tires	6.70x15
Front suspension	Independent; unequal-length A-arms; unequal-length wishbones; coil springs; anti-roll bar, and tubular shocks
Rear suspension	Live axle on semi-elliptic leaf springs, anti-roll bar, tubular shock absorbers
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Steering	Saginaw worm-and-ball, 21:1 ratio, 3.7 turns to lock, 38.5 foot turning circle
Rear axle type	Hypoid semi-floating
Brakes	Four-wheel hydraulic, internal-expanding, 11-inch diameter drums, 327 square inches effective lining area

Engine Specifications

Feature	Standard Engine	RPO 396	RPO 582	RPO 583
Type	V-8, Overhead valve	V-8, Overhead valve	V-8, Overhead valve	V-8, Overhead valve
Block	Cast iron block	Cast iron block	Cast iron block	Cast iron block
Displacement	327 cid	327 cid	327 cid	327 cid
Bore & Stroke	4.00 x 3.25	4.00 x 3.25	4.00 x 3.25	4.00 x 3.25
Compression ratio	10.50:1	11.25:1	11.25:1	11.25:1
Horsepower	250 bhp	340 bhp	360 bhp	300 bhp
Main bearing	Five	Five	Five	Five
Valve lifters	Hydraulic	Hydraulic	Hydraulic	Hydraulic
Fuel Delivery	Carter Aluminum Four Barrel	Carter Aluminum Four Barrel	Fuel Injection	Carter AFB*