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2006 Dodge Stratus Sedan Product Chronology

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2005 Model Year

- Dark Taupe/Light Taupe interiors on all Stratus sedans
- Light Taupe leather available on ES and R/T
- Satin Silver instrument panel bezels on R/T
- Linen Gold Clear Coat replaces Light Almond Pearl Coat
- Midnight Blue Pearl Coat replaces Deep Sapphire Blue Pearl Coat
- Magnesium Pearl Coat replaces Deep Lava Red Metallic
- Inferno Red Crystal Pearl Coat replaces Inferno Red Tinted Pearl Coat
- Packages: Stratus SXT offers a new Sport Appearance Package: Chrome-clad wheels, fog lamps, spoiler and Camelot instrument panel bezels.
- SE and ES models are fleet only

2004 Model Year

- 2.4-liter PZEV—Standard in California, New York, Vermont, Maine and Massachusetts
- 2.7-liter, DOHC, V-6 Flexible Fuel Vehicle (FFV) engine (available on fleet sedans only)
- Manual transmission dropped
- Low-speed traction control packaged with ABS brakes
- New 16-inch painted aluminum wheel—Optional on SE and standard on SXT
- New 16-inch chrome-clad aluminum wheel—Standard on SE
- Electrochromic rearview mirror
- Audio steering wheel controls (packaged with leather seats)
- Sentry Key® is standard on SXT, ES and R/T
- New Travel Convenience Group—Premium headliner, electrochromic mirror and traveler
- New exterior colors: Satin Jade Pearl Coat and Graphite Metallic
- New front fascia design with chrome-accented grille
- New door trim design
- New Russel/Solar cloth seats
- Color-keyed instrument panel bezels on SE
- New cluster design

2003 Model Year

- SE Plus dropped
- 2.7-liter, DOHC, V-6 Flexible Fuel Vehicle (FFV) engine (only with automatic transaxle)
- 15-inch painted five-spoke Dodge wheel cover—Standard on SE
- 16-inch chrome-clad aluminum wheel—Standard on ES
- Six-disc in-dash CD changer replaces four-disc in-dash CD changer
- Exterior colors Deep Lava Red and Brilliant Black Crystal

2002 Model Year

- SXT model introduced
- New R/T model (mid-year introduction)
- 2.7-liter V-6 engine
- Taupe leather-trimmed interior added to ES (February 2001 introduction)

- AM/FM stereo radio with cassette, CD and equalizer
- 2.4-liter engine meets Low Emission Vehicle requirements in all 50 states

2001 Model Year

- All-new exterior and interior design
- Available new 2.7-liter, DOHC, 24-valve V-6 engine (200 horsepower and 192 lb.-ft. of torque)
- Available AutoStick® driver-interactive transaxle control system
- Standard four-wheel disc brakes
- Available ABS Plus four-wheel anti-lock brake system
- All-new body structure
- All-new interior including seats, trim and instrument panel
- Multi-stage next-generation front air bags (driver and passenger)(a)
- Available supplemental side-curtain air bags for front and rear outboard occupants
- Three-point center rear seat belt
- Lower Anchors and Tethers for Children (LATCH) child seat anchor system
- Inside emergency trunk release

2000 Model Year

- New “SE” badging for base model
- New instrument cluster graphics
- User-ready child seat top tether anchors
- Standard 2.4-liter engine

1999 Model Year

- Available Sentry Key® engine immobilizer
- New instrument cluster graphics
- Available four-wheel disc anti-lock brakes
- Long-life automatic transaxle fluid introduced—
- 100,000-mile service interval

1998 Model Year

- Onboard Refueling Vapor Recovery (ORVR) system
- 2.5-liter Transitional Low Emission Vehicle (TLEV) engines available
- Next-generation driver and front passenger air bags(a)

1997 Model Year

- New power sun roof option
- Floor console with armrest and covered storage

1996 Model Year

- Chrome-plated cast-aluminum wheels

1995 Model Year

- Stratus introduction

(a) Certified to federal regulations that allow less forceful air bags. Always use seat belts. Remember, a back seat is the safest place for children.

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