# Crash Tests

## **New Car Safety**

## **CITROEN C6 (LHD)**

2006 on

Front+side & head airbags

#### **Occupant Protection**



#### **Occupant Protection Score** 33.81 out of 37 Variant: Niv3 Eng: 3 litre auto Kerb weight: 1820 kg Category: LUXURY Vehicles built: 2005 Test by Euro NCAP

Important note: The left-hand-drive European model was tested by Euro NCAP. Australasian specifications may vary and therefore models sold in Australasia might provide different levels of protection to those described on this

#### **Model History and Safety Features**

The tested model of Citroen was introduced in Australia during

Dual front airbags, side airbags and head-protecting side curtains are standard equipment. ABS/EBD brakes and electronic stability control are also standard. Advanced seat belt reminders are fitted to all seats

The front seat belt buckles are mounted on the seats and the upper anchorages are adjustable. These features improve the fit of the seat belt. Pre-tensioners are fitted to the front seat belts to reduce slack in the event of a crash. A three point seat belt is fitted to the centre rear seat. This provides better protection than a two point seat belt.

### **OCCUPANT PROTECTION: 5 Stars**

The C6 scored 13.77 out of 16 in the offset crash test. The passenger compartment held it shape well. There was a slight risk of serious chest and leg injury for the driver.

The vehicle scored 15.04 out of 16 in the side impact crash test. There was a slight risk of serious chest injury for the driver. A further 2 points were scored in the optional pole test.

The C6 earned the maximum 4 stars for pedestrian protection.

#### FRONTAL OFFSET CRASH TEST

Body region scores out of 4 points each: Head/neck 4 pts, chest 3.06 pts, upper legs 4 pts, lower legs 2.71 pts.

The passenger compartment held its shape well in the offset crash test. The brake pedal moved rearwards by 51 mm and upwards 12 mm. The steering wheel hub moved forwards 14mm, upwards 25 mm and sideways 24mm. The front ("A") pillar moved 46 mm rearwards. All doors remained closed during the crash. After the crash tools were required to open the driver's door.

The airbag cushioned the head of the driver and contact was stable. There were no knee hazards. The passenger's head was cushioned by the airbag.

#### SIDE IMPACT CRASH TEST

Body region scores out of 4 points each: Head 4 pts, chest 3.04 pts, abdomen 4 pts, pelvis 4 pts.

The vehicle was eligible for an optional pole impact test, since it had head-protecting side airbags and scored four points for the head in the side impact test. The manufacturer decided to go ahead with the pole test and the vehicle earned a further two points.



Offset crash test at 64km/h

#### INJURY MEASUREMENTS

Refer to the information sheet "How the test are done"	Offset Crash Test at 64km/h (v4.1)		Side Impact Crash Test at 50km/h (v4.1)
	Driver	Passn	Driver
Head HIC	268	440	23
Acceleration (g for 3ms	43.5	53.0	17.7
Neck - Shear (kN)	0.25	0.68	-
Tension (kN)	1.54	1.05	-
Extension (Nm)	4.8	4.3	-
Chest Accln (g for 3ms	-	-	-
Compression (mm)	28.61	21.98	26.80
Viscous criterion (m/s)	0.12	0.07	0.20
Abdomen - Force (kN)	-	-	0.790
Pelvis - Force (kN)	-	-	2.300
Upper legs Force Left	1.08	0.83	
(kN) Righ	t 1.74	0.00	
Knee displ (mm) Left	0.97	0.88	
Righ	t 4.53	0.00	
Lower legs Force Left	2.90	2.37	
(kN) Righ	t 2.91	3.00	
Index (Upper/Low) Left	0.27 /0.69	0.45 /0.24	
Righ	t 0.37 /0.64	0.65/0.3	

#### **Bonus points (maximum 5)**

Pole Test: 2 pts Seat belt reminders: 3

#### **Modifiers - offset test scores**

Head No deduction Chest No deduction Upper leg No deduction Lower lea No deduction Foot score Score 4 points

Modifiers - side impact test scores

No deduction

#### PEDESTRIAN PROTECTION RATING (v4.1)

Child head impacts	9.640	Upper leg impacts	4.380
Adult head impacts	8.000	Lower leg impacts	6.000
Total (out of 36)	28.020	***	*



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