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SUBJECT Faulty Air Bags

Reported recently in the British Occupational Safety & Health magazine:

RANGE ROVER is recalling 15,700 of its Classic and Land Rover Discovery vehicles after four cases were reported in America of the driver's air bag inflating unnecessarily. The vehicles with affected air bags were built between January 1994 and March 1997.

RENAULT is recalling 92,000 vehicles (including 17,000 Laguna saloons sold in the UK) because of an air-bag fault. A defect in the cars' earthing point causes a build up of static electricity. When the driver steps out, the static is earthed and the air bag inflates. The recall follows two reported incidents in France and all examples of the car built between June and November 1997 are being rectified. Last October, AUDI recalled 50,000 of its A80 and A4 models because of a similar problem.

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