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The Volvo passenger car models of the latter half of the 1930s were the 51-56 types. This generation was the first 'smaller' Volvo car that was built in considerable numbers. All the models had the same basic body style and were the first Volvos with an all-steel body that also included the roof. The differences lay in certain exterior changes and levels of equipment. Many cars saw wartime service running on producer gas with an output of a mere 50 bhp at best.

In 1936-7, the PV51 (standard) and the PV52 (de luxe) cars were introduced. For the PV53-56 models, the appearance was modified with a new bonnet line and a V-shaped grille. The 55 and 56 were the de luxe versions and the 53/54 were the standard models. The 55/56 featured folding front seats. The pointed nose section was carried over to the successor, the PV60. The PV51 and the PV57 were also sold as rolling chassis with bodywork according to customer requirements.

MODEL SPECIFICATIONS

Model: PV51-57

Variants: PV 51 (Standard), PV 51 Chassis, PV 52 (Luxury), PV 53 (Standard with visible spare wheel pressing), PV 54 (Standard with convex luggage boot cover), PV 55 (Luxury with visible spare wheel pressing), PV 56 (Luxury with convex luggage boot cover), PV 57 Chassis

Produced: 6,905

Body: Saloon

Engine: In-line, 6-cyl, side valves; 3,670 cc; 84.14x110 mm; 86 bhp at 3,400 rpm.

Transmission: 3-speed with floor lever; optional overdrive and free wheel.

Brakes: Hydraulic on all wheels.

Dimensions: Wheelbase 2,880 mm.

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