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**Vehicle Information:**  
**2002 FORD EXPLORER XLS**  
 1FMZU72E22ZB48030  
 4 DR. WAGON/SPORT UTILITY 4.0L V6 FI SOHC  
 4 WHEEL DRIVE  
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	<b>DOES NOT</b> qualify for the <b>CARFAX Buyback Guarantee</b>
	<b>Branded Title: Salvage</b>
	<b>3</b> Previous owners
	<b>2</b> Service records available
	<b>13</b> Detailed records available
	<b>92,911</b> Last reported odometer reading



**SUMMARY**

A CARFAX Vehicle History Report is based only on [information](#) supplied to CARFAX. Other information about this vehicle, including problems, may not have been reported to CARFAX. Use this report as one important tool, along with a vehicle inspection and test drive, to make a better decision about your next used car.

<b>OWNERSHIP HISTORY</b>	<b>OWNER1</b>	<b>OWNER2</b>	<b>OWNER3</b>
The number of owners is estimated by CARFAX			
Year purchased	2001	2005	2005
Type of owner	Corporate fleet lease	---	---
Estimated length of ownership	3 years	2 months	1 yr. 8 mo.
Owned in the following states/provinces	Michigan	Indiana	Illinois, Michigan
Estimated miles driven per year	16,790/yr	---	---
Last reported odometer reading	52,127	60,712	92,911

<b>TITLE PROBLEMS</b>	<b>OWNER1</b>	<b>OWNER2</b>	<b>OWNER3</b>
CARFAX guarantees the information in this section			
<a href="#">Salvage</a>   <a href="#">Junk</a>   <a href="#">Rebuilt</a>	No Problem	No Problem	<b>Alert!</b> Problem Found
<a href="#">Fire/Flood</a>   <a href="#">Hail Damage</a>   <a href="#">Buyback/Lemon</a>	No Problem	No Problem	No Problem
<a href="#">Not Actual Mileage</a>   <a href="#">Exceeds Mechanical Limits</a>	No Problem	No Problem	No Problem
<b>Alert!</b> Severe problems were reported by a state Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV). This vehicle does not qualify for the CARFAX Buyback Guarantee.			

<b>OTHER INFORMATION</b>	<b>OWNER1</b>	<b>OWNER2</b>	<b>OWNER3</b>
Not all accidents or other issues are reported to CARFAX			
<b>Total Loss Check</b> Total loss reported on 04/09/2007.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Issues Reported	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Issues Reported	<b>Total Loss</b>
<b>Structural / Frame Damage Check</b> No structural / frame damage reported to CARFAX.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Issues Reported	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Issues Reported	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Issues Reported
<b>Airbag Deployment Check</b> No airbag deployment reported to CARFAX.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Issues Reported	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Issues Reported	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Issues Reported
<b>Odometer Rollback Check</b> No indication of an odometer rollback.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Issues Indicated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Issues Indicated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Issues Indicated
<b>Accident / Damage Check</b> See State DMV-reported Title Problems above. Accident reported on 04/09/2007.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Issues Reported	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Issues Reported	<b>Alert!</b> Problem Found
<b>Manufacturer Recall Check</b> A current list of recalls is available at <a href="#">FORD MOTOR COMPANY</a>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Recalls Reported	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Recalls Reported	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Recalls Reported
<b>Basic Warranty Check</b> Original manufacturer warranty likely voided by manufacturer after vehicle was severely damaged.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Warranty Active	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Warranty Active	<b>Warranty Voided</b>

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**2003 FORD EXPLORER XLT/XLT SPT/NBX**

Body Style: 4 Dr. Wagon/Sport Utility  
 Engine Type: 4.0L V6 FI SOHC  
 Standard Equipment: Power Windows, Power Steering, Air Conditioning,  
 AM / FM Cassette, Power Brakes, Tilt Wheel, 6-digit Odometer

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 815-459-7100

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**2003 FORD EXPLORER XLS/XLS SPORT**

Body Style: 4 Dr. Wagon/Sport Utility  
 Engine Type: 4.0L V6 FI SOHC

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 Engine Type: 4.0L V6 FI SOHC

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<b>OWNER 1</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>Mileage:</b>	<b>Source:</b>	<b>Comments:</b>
Purchased: 2001 Type: Corporate fleet lease Where: Michigan Est. miles/year: 16,790/yr Est. length owned: 12/12/01 - 1/6/05 (3 years)	11/30/2001		NICB	Vehicle manufactured and shipped to original dealer
	12/12/2001	55	Michigan Motor Vehicle Dept. Clinton Township, MI Title #166M3460066	Title or registration issued First owner reported Registered as corporate fleet vehicle Registered as lease vehicle
	09/29/2004	44,304	Service Facility	Vehicle serviced Maintenance inspection completed Cooling system checked Oil and filter changed chassis lubricated Manufacturer's recommended maintenance performed Automatic transmission cooler lines replaced Automatic transmission serviced Transmission overhauled/replaced Automatic transmission checked Automatic transmission cooler flushed
	01/06/2005	52,127	Auto Auction	Sold at auction in Illinois Listed as a fleet vehicle

<b>OWNER 2</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>Mileage:</b>	<b>Source:</b>	<b>Comments:</b>
Purchased: 2005 Where: Indiana Est. miles/year: --- Est. length owned: 2/11/05 - 4/26/05 (2 months)	02/11/2005	52,129	Indiana Motor Vehicle Dept. Gary, IN Title #05055456004	Title issued or updated New owner reported Loan or lien reported
	04/26/2005	60,696	Dealer Inventory Calumet City, IL	Vehicle offered for sale
	06/27/2005	60,712	Service Plan Co. Minooka, IL	Service contract issued

<b>OWNER 3</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>Mileage:</b>	<b>Source:</b>	<b>Comments:</b>
Purchased: 2005 Where: Illinois, Michigan Est. miles/year: --- Est. length owned: 9/1/05 - 5/30/07 (1 yr. 8 mo.)	09/01/2005		Illinois Motor Vehicle Dept. Minooka, IL	Title issued or updated New owner reported Loan or lien reported

Title #X5244072002			
02/07/2006	75,909	Service Plan Co.	Service contract claim Vehicle serviced Suspension serviced
04/09/2007		Michigan Police Report	Accident reported  CARFAX began reporting this information on 11/28/2007.
04/09/2007	92,911	Insurance Company	<b>TOTAL LOSS VEHICLE</b> Vehicle declared a total loss Theft damage reported  CARFAX began reporting this information on 12/17/2007.
05/30/2007		Michigan Motor Vehicle Dept.	Title or registration issued to insurance company
05/30/2007		Michigan Motor Vehicle Dept. Portage, MI Title #298V1500325	<b>SALVAGE TITLE/CERTIFICATE ISSUED</b>
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## GLOSSARY

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- Accident / Damage Indicator**

CARFAX receives information about accidents in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and Canada. Different information in a vehicle's history can indicate an accident or damage, such as: salvage auction, fire damage, police-reported accident, crash test vehicle, damage disclosure, collision repair facility and automotive recycler records. Not every accident or damage event is reported and not all reported are provided to CARFAX. Details about the accident or damage event when reported to CARFAX (e.g. severity, impact location, airbag deployment) are included on the Vehicle History Report. CARFAX recommends you obtain a vehicle inspection from your dealer or an independent mechanic.

- According to the National Safety Council, Injury Facts, 2007 edition, 7% of the 245 million registered vehicles in the U.S. were involved in an accident in 2005. Over 75% of these were considered minor or moderate.
- CARFAX depends on many sources for its accident / damage data. CARFAX can only report what is in our database on 08.Dec.2008 14:00:11. New data will result in a change to this report.

- First Owner**

When the first owner(s) obtains a title from a Department of Motor Vehicles as proof of ownership.

- Fleet Vehicle**

Vehicle was registered or sold to a company that manages vehicle fleets.

- Ford or Lincoln Mercury Recall**

The Ford Motor Company provides Carfax with recall information regarding safety, compliance and emissions programs announced since 2000 for a specific vehicle. For complete information regarding programs or concerns about this vehicle, please contact a local [Ford or Lincoln Mercury Dealer](#).

- Lease**

When someone leases a car from a dealer, the dealer actually sells the vehicle to a leasing company. The leasing company then collects payments for the vehicle from the new owner for 24, 36, 48 or more months. A leasing company can be an independent car dealer or a car manufacturer.

- New Owner Reported**

When a vehicle is sold to a new owner, the Title must be transferred to the new owner(s) at a Department of Motor Vehicles.

- Ownership History**

CARFAX defines an owner as an individual or business that possesses and uses a vehicle. Not all title transactions represent changes in ownership. To provide estimated number of owners, CARFAX proprietary technology analyzes all the events in a vehicle history. Estimated ownership is available for vehicles manufactured after 1994 and titled solely in the US including Puerto Rico. Dealers sometimes opt to take ownership of a vehicle and are required to in the following states: Maine, Massachusetts, New Jersey, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania and South Dakota. Please consider this as you review a vehicle's estimated ownership history.

- Salvage Title**

A Salvage Title is issued on a vehicle damaged to the extent that the cost of repairing the vehicle exceeds ~ 75% of its pre-damage value. This damage threshold may vary by state. Some states treat Junk titles the same as Salvage but the majority use this title to indicate that a vehicle is not road worthy and cannot be titled again in that state. The following eleven states also use Salvage titles to identify stolen vehicles - AZ, FL, GA, IL, MD, MN, NJ, NM, NY, OK and OR.

- Title Issued**

A state issues a title to provide a vehicle owner with proof of ownership. Each title has a unique number. Each title or registration record on a CARFAX report does not necessarily indicate a change in ownership. In Canada, a registration and bill of sale are used as proof of ownership.

- Total Loss Vehicle**

An insurance or fleet company declares a vehicle a total loss when a claim exceeds ~ 75% of its pre-damage value or if the vehicle is stolen and not recovered. This damage threshold varies by company. These companies typically take possession and obtain the title. Not all total loss vehicles result in a DMV-reported branded title. This may occur when an insurance company's definition of a total loss is different than the state DMV's definition for a branded title or when the owner of the vehicle is a self-insured company, like a fleet or rental company.

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## CARFAX® CARFAX® Warranty Check™

The original manufacturer warranty for this 2002 FORD EXPLORER XLS (1FMZU72E22ZB48030) was most likely voided when this vehicle was severely damaged.

**VIN:** 1FMZU72E22ZB48030  
**Estimated start date of warranty:** 12/12/2001  
**Last CARFAX reading reported on 04/09/2007:** 92,911 miles  
**Today's Date:** grudzień 8, 2008

Type of Coverage:	Original Warranty:	Estimated Remaining Coverage:
Basic	36 months or 36,000 miles	Void
Drivetrain	36 months or 36,000 miles	Void
Emissions	24 months or 24,000 miles	Void
Corrosion	60 months or unlimited mileage	Void
Transferable	Transferable: no cost, unlimited owners covered.	Void
Roadside Assistance	36 months or 36,000 miles	Void
Safety belt & inflatable restraint	60 months or 50,000 miles	Void
Specific Components	96 months or 80,000 miles	Void
Notes:	Manufacturer covers emissions components under basic warranty. Emissions coverage may vary by state. Refer to owners manual for specific details. Transferable: no cost, unlimited owners covered. Roadside assistance is covered during basic warranty. Safety belt and inflatable restraint systems are covered for 5 years or 50,000 miles. Alignment and wheel balance covered for 1 year 12,000 miles Tires are covered under warranty.	

- ▶ CARFAX Warranty Check provides an **estimate** of this vehicle's remaining warranty coverage. It does not take into account some vehicle history events such as some title brands that may void the original manufacturer warranty or ownership transfers that may decrease warranty coverage. This warranty information is only valid for vehicles manufactured for the United States. Complete warranty coverage information is available for this vehicle at the [FORD web site](#).

## CARFAX® CARFAX® Safety & Reliability Ratings™

### 2002 FORD EXPLORER XLS 4 Dr. Wagon/Sport Utility 4 wheel drive

CARFAX has collected the industry's leading used car safety and reliability ratings into one, convenient report. With this report, you'll know the safety and reliability of your next used car. All information presented in this report is specific to the 2002 FORD EXPLORER XLS. Please view the [CARFAX Vehicle History Report](#) for the detailed history of a specific used FORD.

#### **1 Safety:**

This information will help you select a vehicle model that meets your expectations for safety and security.

- [NHTSA Crash Test Results](#)
- [IIHS Crash Test Results](#)
- [IIHS Low Speed Damage Repair](#)
- [HLDI Injury, Collision, & Theft](#)
- [NHTSA Safety Recalls](#)

#### **2 Reliability:**

Use this information to check how reliable a vehicle model is before you buy.

- [J.D. Power and Associates Ratings](#)
- [Identifix Reliability Ratings](#)
- [Intellichoice Cost of Ownership & Value Rating](#)
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## 1 Safety

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### NHTSA Crash Test Results



#### Frontal Crash:

Driver

#### Rating:



Passenger



#### Side Crash:

Front Seat



Door Became Unlatched

Rear Seat



#### Rollover Resistance:

Rollover Resistance

#### Rating:



#### LEGEND



The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) provides 3 different ratings - [full-width frontal crash test](#), [side impact crash test](#), and [rollover resistance](#). The frontal crash test indicates how well the safety features and restraints will protect an occupant in a head-on collision. The side-impact test conveys the chance of a severe chest injury, while the rollover resistance rating estimates the risk of rolling over in a single vehicle crash. Go to [NHTSA](#) to learn more about these results.

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### IIHS Crash Test Results



IIHS Crash Test Results for the 2002 FORD EXPLORER XLS are not available in CARFAX Safety & Reliability Ratings.

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### Low-Speed Damage Repair



#### Front Crash Description:

Front into flat barrier

\$

Front into angle barrier

\$

#### Rear Crash Description:

Rear into flat barrier

\$

Rear into pole

\$

Average Damage Per Test

\$

#### Front Crash Cost:

1248

2530

#### Rear Crash Cost:

277

1752

1452

Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS) conducts four 5 mph crash tests to assess bumper performance. These results convey how well this 2002 FORD EXPLORER XLS bumpers will protect the car body from damage in low-speed collisions. The low-speed damage repair costs for this 2002 FORD EXPLORER XLS were obtained from the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, Highway Loss Data Institute. [Learn more](#) about these results.

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### Injury, Collision, & Theft Indicators



#### Index:

[Injury Index](#)
[Collision Index](#)
[Theft Index](#)

#### Score:

70

65

86

#### Rating:

Better than average

Substantially better than average

Average

These scores are stated in relative terms, with 100 being the average for all cars in each category. Scores greater than 100 represent higher risk in each category. For example, an injury indicator score of 122 means that a passenger in this model is 22% more likely to be injured in an accident. The injury, collision, and theft indicators for this 2002 FORD EXPLORER XLS are provided by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, Highway Loss Data Institute. [Learn more](#) about these results.

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## Safety Recalls

### NHTSA Safety Recalls:

Important: The following recalls were issued for the 2002 FORD EXPLORER XLS by the National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration (NHTSA). To find out if a specific 2002 FORD EXPLORER XLS still has open recalls that require repair, CARFAX recommends contacting an [authorized dealership](#) for more information.

Recall date:	05-30-2001
Units potentially affected:	52,000
NHTSA campaign number:	01V171000
Defective part or component:	TIRES:SIDEWALL
Description:	Vehicle Description: Sport utility vehicles. The right side tires may have horizontal cuts on the edge of the tread that could have occurred during vehicle assembly. Over time, the tire could fail, increasing the risk of a crash. Dealers will inspect the tires and, if any slices are found, the cut tires will be replaced. Owner notification began June 7, 2001. Owners who take their vehicles to an authorized dealer on an agreed upon service date and do not receive the free remedy within a reasonable time should contact Ford at 1-800-392-3673.
Recall date:	Not reported
Units potentially affected:	955,732
NHTSA campaign number:	04V442000
Defective part or component:	STRUCTURE:BODY:HATCHBACK/LIFTGATE:HINGE AND ATTACHMENTS
Description:	On certain sport utility vehicles, the liftgate glass strut may become disengaged or the hinge may fracture allowing the glass to fall and possibly break. If the hinge should fracture, there is a potential for the glass to fall and ultimately break and personal injuries could occur. Dealers will have the liftgate glass strut brackets and glass hinges replaced. For the vehicles built from August 1, 2000 through March 3, 2002, the dealers will replace the hinges and liftgate strut bracket. On vehicles built from March 3, 2002 through June 23, 2003, the dealers will only replace the hinges. The recall began on September 13, 2004. Owners should contact ford at 1-800-392-3673.

This 2002 FORD EXPLORER XLS safety recall information was provided by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety, Highway Data Loss Institute and is derived from the [National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration](#) list of safety recalls. Please call the National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration Auto Safety Hotline at 1-888-DASH-2-DOT (1-888-327-4236) to report safety defects or to obtain information on cars, trucks, child seats, and highway or traffic safety. CARFAX does not review, validate or edit the information and statements provided by the National Highway Traffic and Safety Administration, which do not represent the opinion of CARFAX.

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### J.D. Power Ratings



#### Ownership:

Initial Ratings (up to 1 year)

[Overall Quality](#)

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[Feature and Accessory Quality](#)

[Body and Interior Quality](#)

[Overall Appeal](#)

[Performance](#)

[Comfort](#)

[Feature and Instrument Panel](#)

[Style](#)

#### Rating:



#### Scoring Legend



## Midterm Ratings (1-3 Years)

[Mechanical Reliability](#)

No data from source

[Feature and Accessory Reliability](#)

No data from source

[Body and Interior Reliability](#)

No data from source

## Long Term Ratings (3-5 Years)

[Overall Dependability](#)[Mechanical Dependability](#)[Feature and Accessory Dependability](#)[Body and Interior Dependability](#)

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## Identifix Reliability Ratings



Category:	Comments:	Rating:	LEGEND
Engine	An occasional problem with this vehicle is the failure of the Differential Pressure Feedback EGR (DPFE) Sensor. The cost to repair the DPFE Sensor is estimated at \$68.00 for parts and \$32.50 for labor. All prices are estimates based on \$65.00 per flat rate hour and do not include diagnostic time or any applicable sales tax.	!	<div>✓ Minimal Problems</div> <div>! Moderate Problems</div> <div>✗ Significant Problems</div>
Transmission & Driveline	An occasional problem with this vehicle is the failure of the 4 Wheel Drive System and the Transmission. This can result in a loss of 4 Wheel Drive operation and improper shifting of the Transmission, respectively. The failures are not specific to any one part. Therefore the \$ cost of repairs will vary.	!	
Steering & Suspension	Infrequent problems reported, all with low repair costs	✓	
Brakes	An occasional problem on this vehicle is the failure of the Differential Speed Sensor and related wiring. The cost to repair will vary depending on the extent of the wiring problem but is estimated to be from \$50.00-\$200.00 for parts and labor. All prices are estimates based on \$65.00 per flat rate hour and do not include diagnostic time or any applicable sales tax.	!	
Heating & Air Conditioning	Infrequent problems reported, all with low repair costs	✓	
Starting & Charging	Infrequent problems reported, all with low repair costs	✓	
Accessories	Infrequent problems reported, all with low repair costs	✓	

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## Intellichoice Cost of Ownership &amp; Value Rating



## Cost of Ownership (2002 - 2006):

Category:	Explorer XLS 4WD 4 Dr Sport Utility:
<a href="#">Depreciation</a>	\$14,365
<a href="#">Financing</a>	\$5,733
<a href="#">Insurance</a>	\$5,400



<a href="#">State Fees</a>	\$484
<a href="#">Fuel</a>	\$5,754
<a href="#">Maintenance</a>	\$1,724
<a href="#">Repairs</a>	\$926
Total 5-Year Ownership Cost	\$34,386

Ownership costs are the costs to purchase and operate a vehicle over a period of time. Understanding these costs can save you money and help you make a wiser financial decision when it comes time to select a vehicle. Intellichoice is one of the leading providers of automotive information in the U.S.

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## Original Manufacturer Warranty

<b>Coverage:</b>	<b>Years/Mileage:</b>
Basic	3 years or 36,000 miles
Drivetrain	3 years or 36,000 miles
Emissions	2 years or 24,000 miles
Corrosion	5 years with Unlimited mileage
Transferable	Transferable: no cost, unlimited owners covered.
Roadside Assistance	Roadside assistance is covered for 3 years or 36,000 miles.
Safety Belt & Inflatable Restraint	Safety belt and inflatable restraint system are covered for 5 years or 50,000 miles.
Specific Components	8 years or 80,000 miles
Notes:	Manufacturer covers emissions components under basic warranty. Emissions coverage may vary by state. Refer to owners manual for specific details. Transferable: no cost, unlimited owners covered. Roadside assistance is covered during basic warranty. Safety belt and inflatable restraint systems are covered for 5 years or 50,000 miles. Alignment and wheel balance covered for 1 year 12,000 miles Tires are covered under warranty.

This 2002 FORD EXPLORER XLS warranty information has been provided by J&L Warranty Pros.

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## New Car Test Drive Review

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<b>Category:</b>	<b>Review:</b>
Summary:	<p><b>All aboard! New Explorer seats seven.</b> By Mitch McCullough, Editor-in-Chief, NewCarTestDrive.com</p> <p>Ford's 2002 Explorer is a vast improvement over the previous model in every respect. Whether it's the best vehicle in this crowded class is subject to debate, but it's a well-engineered vehicle. It handles well, rides smoothly and the interior packaging is well thought out and, for the most part, well executed.</p>
Overview:	<p>Dodge Durango is the only other SUV in this class with third-row seating. We find the optional third rows in both of these vehicles to be uncomfortable. Regardless, the Explorer is the more refined of the two.</p> <p>All new for 2002, the Ford Explorer is better than the previous version in every respect. Handling and ride quality are improved with a new frame and an independent rear suspension. Performance is quicker with new or improved overhead-cam engines. It's a quieter, more refined vehicle with an all-new interior. New safety features are being introduced.</p> <p>But the biggest news for the Explorer is the availability of third-row seating, allowing it to carry up to seven passengers. It's roomier and more comfortable, benefits of its longer wheelbase, wider track and some clever engineering.</p> <p>In spite of all this, the new Explorer looks familiar inside and out. It seems the more things change, the more they stay the same. In all likelihood, the Ford Explorer will continue to be America's most popular station wagon.</p>

[Read the complete 2002 Ford Explorer review](#)

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CARFAX® Consumer Ratings & Comments

2002 FORD EXPLORER  
1FMZU72E22ZB48030  
Wagon 4 Door  
4 Wheel Drive

### CARFAX Customer Ratings

The CARFAX Vehicle Rating is provided by real CARFAX customers who have owned or shopped for this 2002 FORD EXPLORER. [Add your own rating.](#)

THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO CUSTOMER RATINGS FOR THIS VEHICLE

### CARFAX Customer Comments

THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO CUSTOMER COMMENTS FOR THIS VEHICLE

### Add a CARFAX Rating & Comment

How do you know about this vehicle?\*

☐ Own(ed) it

☐ Saw it for sale

☐ Saw it for sale and test drove it

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