



**Creak From the Right Side of the Dash**

**SYMPTOM**

A creak can be heard when driving over bumps. The source of the creak can be difficult to pinpoint.

**PROBABLE CAUSE**

Body panels on the right side of the cowl are rubbing together.

**CORRECTIVE ACTION**

Create space between the body panels.

**WARRANTY CLAIM INFORMATION**

**In warranty:** The normal warranty applies.

OP#	Description	FRT	Template ID
812302	Create space between the body panels	0.3	03-090A
812092	Test-drive	0.3	

Failed Part: P/N 61100-SCV-A00ZZ  
H/C 7276256

Defect Code: 08001

Symptom Code: 04205

Skill Level: Repair Technician

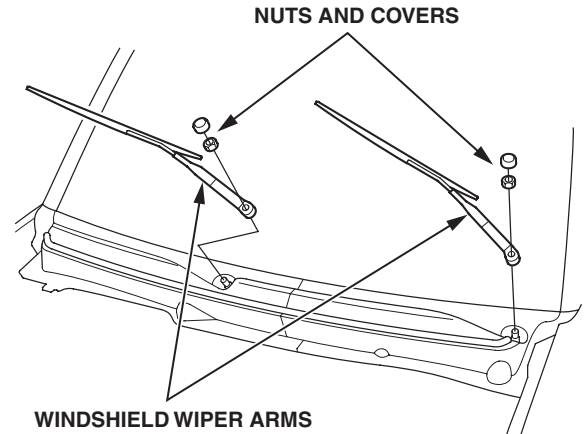
**Out of warranty:** Any repair performed after warranty expiration may be eligible for goodwill consideration by the District Parts and Service Manager or your Zone Office. You must request consideration, and get a decision, before starting work.

**DIAGNOSIS**

1. Test-drive the vehicle over bumps and small inclines that cause the body to flex. Listen carefully for a noise near the right side of the dash or cowl; it may be hard to pinpoint.
2. Remove the A-pillar trim, and test-drive the vehicle again.
  - If the noise is gone, refer to S/B 03-056, *Rattle From the A-Pillar Trim or Corners of the Dashboard*.
  - If the noise recurs, go to **REPAIR PROCEDURE**.

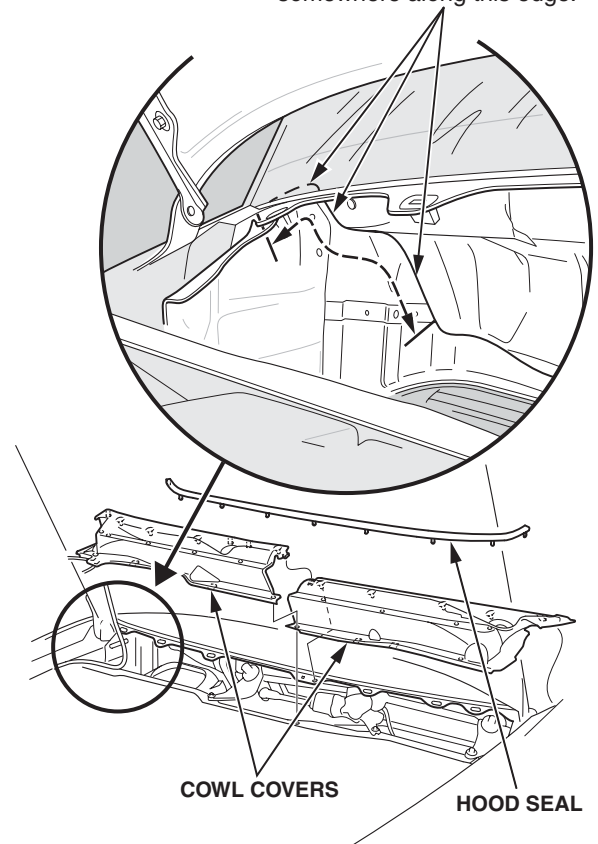
**REPAIR PROCEDURE**

1. Remove the nuts and the windshield wiper arms.



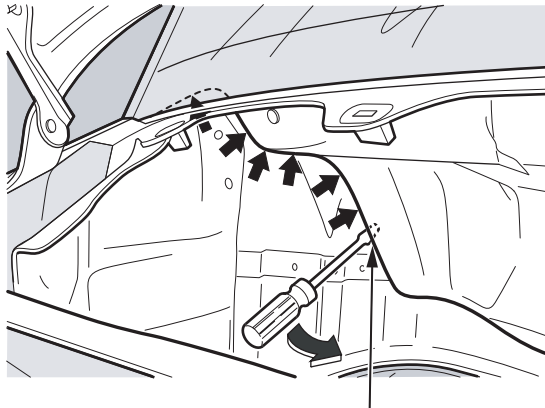
2. Remove the hood seal and the cowl covers.

The creak is happening somewhere along this edge.



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3. Use a flat-tip screwdriver to pry apart the two panels 2 mm, as shown.



Pry open this gap  
all along this  
edge as indicated.

4. Apply touch-up paint if needed.
5. Test-drive the vehicle to make sure the noise is gone. If the noise remains, use the STEELMAN® ChassisEAR™ Diagnostic Tool to pinpoint and repair the source of the noise. Refer to S/B 00-063, *STEELMAN® ChassisEAR™ Diagnostic Tool*.  
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6. Install the cowl cover and the hood seal.
7. Install the windshield wiper arms. Torque the nuts to **18 N·m (13 lb-ft)**.