

The Year Was 1965...

- The first US Combat Troops arrive in Viet Nam, by end of year 190,000 are in Viet Nam
- Martin Luther King marches to Montgomery
- LVJ signs Medicare Bill
- Federal debt is \$322.3 Billion
- Cassius Clay KO's Sonny Liston
- Chevy Impala is best selling car of the year
- TV shows: The Fugitive, Big Valley and I Spy
- Movies: Sound of Music, Dr. Zhivago and Cat Ballou
- Music: Ballad of the Green Beret, King of the Road and May the Bird of Paradise Fly Up Your Nose

In 1965...

- The Corvette Convertible cost \$3212 and 15,376 were produced while the Coupe cost \$3947 and 8,186 were produced
- Inside the car the instruments were changed to a flat-dial, straight-needle design with an aircraft-type influence.
- The seats had improved support and one-piece molded inside door panels were introduced.
- Standard equipment included: tachometer; safety belts; heater and defroster; windshield washer; outside rearview mirror; dual exhaust; electric clock; carpeting; manually-operated top (convertible) and sun visors.
- A four-wheel disc-brake system was standard, although drum brakes could be substituted for a \$64.50 credit.
- Most 1965 Corvettes (89.6 percent) were sold with a four-speed manual transmission
- An L78-powered 1965 Corvette could go from 0-to-60 mph in 5.7 seconds; from 0-to-100 mph in 13.4 seconds.
- Heater and defroster deletion \$100 credit
- Special 3.08:1 "highway" ratio rear axle \$2.20

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