

# 1965 Ford Galaxie 500

2dr Convertible . 8-cyl. 352cid/250hp 4bbl

#1 Concours condition

**\$32,500**

▾ -14.2%

#2 Excellent condition

**\$24,600**

▾ -14.6%

#3 Good condition

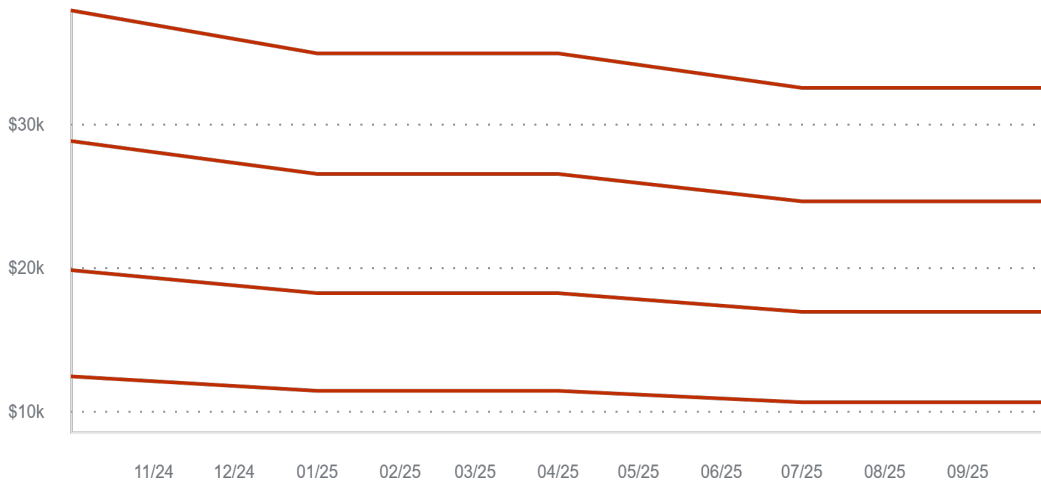
**\$16,900\***

▾ -14.6%

#4 Fair condition

**\$10,600**

▾ -14.5%



NOTE: The chart displays price changes for the last year.

## Value adjustments

**+10%**  
for 4-spd.

**-20%**  
for 6-cyl.

## Model description

The 1965 Ford line was advertised as the "newest since 1949." They were indeed all-new cars with new bodies, new perimeter frames, new technology (including slightly curved side-glass), new fashionable boxy styling and vertical headlamps, and new small-block 289 V-8 engines available. Big 427 FE blocks maxed out at 425 hp again, and that was considered "enough" for those who wanted to go very fast.

A new luxury (as opposed to sporty) sub-series of Galaxie made its premier: the Galaxie LTD. As for sales, Ford had nearly caught up with Chevy, largely due to the success of the Mustang, and a rising tide lifts all boats. Period advertisements boasted that the Ford Galaxie 500 was quieter than a Rolls-Royce, which was their way of boasting about how well the engineers had done in isolating the new frame from the new body. The reasons for this were practical enough; it was the first year since 1956 that the Ford and Mercury full-sized cars again shared their essential architecture, basic frame and basic body structures (with variations), in a bid to increase profitability. This obviously benefitted the Ford buyer more than the Mercury buyer.

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The 1966 cars received a mild face-lift with a new roofline on two-door hardtops and a new two-way tailgate on the highly popular full-sized Ford wagons, none of which carried the Galaxie nomenclature. A new Galaxie 500 "7-Litre" two-door hardtop (with the new roofline) was introduced as a performance version, including a cheaper-to-build 428 FE block with 345 hp. The car featured a sports steering wheel of simulated English walnut, bucket seats, a floor shift, low restriction exhausts and non-silenced air cleaner, as well as new power front disc brakes. 1966 saw the Galaxie line "trident" into three directions; luxury, super luxury and luxury sports.

A 1967 reskin produced new two-door hardtop/fastback rooflines. The LTD variant now shared the two-door roofline, but the rear side glass shape was altered for a more formal appearance, and technically speaking, LTD became a series of its own this year. Chevy wasn't so far ahead in the sales race that Ford couldn't see their dust, but Ford lost out once again.

1968 cars received some alterations, mostly centered around the horizontal layout of the headlamps. Galaxie was again the middle-player, with Custom still below and LTD above. The 427 FE engines were dropped and 428 FE engines substituted, reducing maximum power to 360 hp, and an all-new Ford "Thunder-Jet" 429 engine was introduced, also with 360 hp. People who wanted extreme power were now buying mid-sized cars with monster engines, not full-sized cars.

**Body styles**

2dr Convertible	2dr Hardtop Coupe	4dr Hardtop Sedan	4dr Sedan
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**Engine types**

8-cyl. 289cid/200hp 2bbl	8-cyl. 352cid/250hp 4bbl	8-cyl. 390cid/300hp 4bbl	8-cyl. 390cid/330hp 4bbl Interceptor
8-cyl. 427cid/425hp 2x4bbl Hi-Perf			

**1965-1968 Ford Galaxie stats**

Highest sale	Lowest sale	Most recent sale	Sales
<b>\$330,000</b>	<b>\$1,287</b>	<b>\$13,650</b>	<b>576</b>

**Equipment**

**Additional Info**

Vehicle Length: 210 in

Wheelbase - Inches: 119 in

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## Vehicle's condition classification

### #1. Concours

#1 vehicles are the best in the world. Imagine the best vehicle, in the right colors, driving onto the lawn at the finest concours. Perfectly clean, the vehicle has been groomed down to the tire treads. Painted and chromed surfaces are mirror-like. Dust and dirt are banned, and materials used are correct and superbly fitted.

### #3. Good

#3 vehicles drive and run well but are not used for daily transportation. The casual passerby will not find any visual flaws, but these vehicles might have some incorrect parts. #3 vehicles could possess some, but not all, of the issues of a #4 vehicle, but they will be balanced by other factors such as fresh paint or a new, correct interior.

### #2. Excellent

#2 vehicles could win a local or regional show. They might even be former #1 vehicles that have been driven or have aged. Seasoned observers will have to look closely for flaws but will be able to find some. The paint, chrome, glass and finishes will all appear as excellent. The vehicle drives as a new vehicle of its era would.

### #4. Fair

#4 vehicles are daily drivers, with flaws visible to the naked eye. The chrome might have pitting, the windshield might be chipped and perhaps the body has a minor dent. Imperfect paintwork, split seams or a cracked dash might be present. No major parts are missing, but there might be non-stock additions. A #4 vehicle can also be a deteriorated restoration.