Hyundai models compared

Dalton Hyundai, San Diego County

Hyundai models compared: 2026 models and the 2027 IONIQ 5

Model	Seats	Passenger volume (cu ft)	Cargo behind last row (cu ft)	Cargo, rear seats folded (cu ft)	EPA combined mpg	Towing with trailer brakes (lb)
 **Venue**	5	91.9	18.7	31.9	31	-
 **Kona**	5	99.0 to 101.2	25.5	63.7	28 to 31	-
 **Elantra**	5	99.4	14.2 (trunk)	-	34 to 35 gas, 50 to 54 Hybrid	-
 **Sonata**	5	104.4	15.6 (trunk)	-	29 to 32 gas, 47 to 51 Hybrid	-
 **Tucson**	5	108.2	38.7	74.8	28 gas, 36 to 38 Hybrid	2,750 gas, 2,000 Hybrid
 **Santa Fe**	6 or 7	152.0	14.6	79.6	24 gas, 36 Hybrid	3,500 gas, 2,000 Hybrid
 **Palisade**	7 or 8	161.9	19.1	86.7	21 gas, 31 to 34 Hybrid	5,000 gas, 4,000 Hybrid (2027)
 **IONIQ 5 (2027)**	5	106.5	26.3	58.5	Electric: 269 to 318 miles of EPA range	-

Specifications from hyundaiusa.com. EPA combined mpg from fueleconomy.gov, with front-wheel drive where offered. Tucson cargo uses the usual industry measure, and the maximum figures for the gas Tucson are 41.2 and 80.3 cubic feet.

Hyundai sizes compared: 2026 models and the 2027 IONIQ 5

Model	Length x width x height (in)	Legroom by row, front first (in)	Cargo behind second row (cu ft)
Venue	159.1 x 69.7 x 61.6	41.3 / 34.3	-
Kona	171.3 x 71.9 x 62.2 to 63.6	41.7 / 38.2	-
Elantra	185.4 x 71.9 x 55.7	42.3 / 38.0	-
Sonata	193.3 x 73.2 x 56.9	46.1 / 34.8	-
Tucson	182.7 x 73.4 x 65.6 to 66.3	41.4 / 41.3	-
Santa Fe	190.2 x 74.8 x 67.7 to 69.7	44.4 / 42.3 / 30.0	40.5
Palisade	199.2 x 78.0 x 69.5	44.2 / 43.0 / 32.1	46.3
IONIQ 5 (2027)	183.3 x 74.4 x 63.0	41.7 / 39.4	-

Specifications from hyundaiusa.com, for base trims; XRT trims differ. Height ranges cover trim and drive type. On the Hybrids, second-row legroom is 41.5 inches in the Santa Fe and 41.4 in the Palisade. Cargo behind the second row applies to the three-row models.

Which Hyundai fits each need

- **Seven or eight seats:** The Santa Fe and the Palisade both fit, and the Palisade also comes with eight. When buying a Santa Fe, every trim has a third row.
- **A family of four with luggage:** The Tucson, a compact SUV with seats for five.
- **A city commute or a first car:** The Venue, the Kona and the Elantra. Shopping for a Kona starts with four trims, from the SE to the Limited.
- **Adults in the back seat:** The Sonata, a midsize sedan with room for adults in the back.
- **Lower fuel use:** Each Hybrid has a higher EPA rating than the gas version of the same model.
- **No gas at all:** The electric IONIQ 5, which charges at home or on a DC fast charger.
- **Towing a trailer:** The Palisade, rated to tow up to 5,000 pounds with trailer brakes.