When the customer complaint is lack of airflow from the vents, the cure can be as simple as changing the cabin air filter. Many late model cars and trucks now use a cabin air filter to clean the air entering the passenger compartment. Depending on location, the cabin filter will filter outside air only or be positioned to filter both outside and recirculated air. And just like other filters, the cabin air filter can become clogged with dirt and restrict airflow. Maintenance service intervals may start at 12 months or 12,000 miles (check vehicle manufacturers specifications).

Note: If the vehicle does not have a cabin air filter, then refer to Tech Tip #329 Insufficient Airflow from Dash.