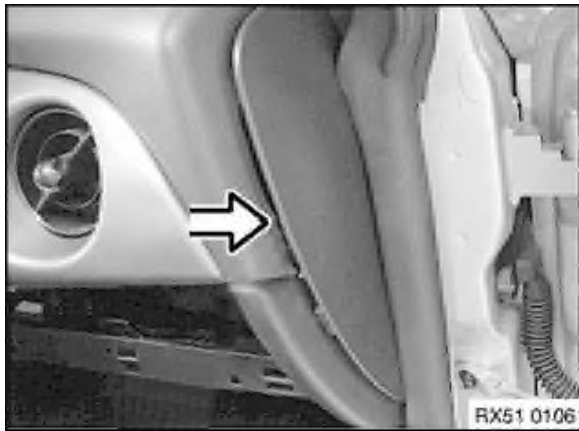
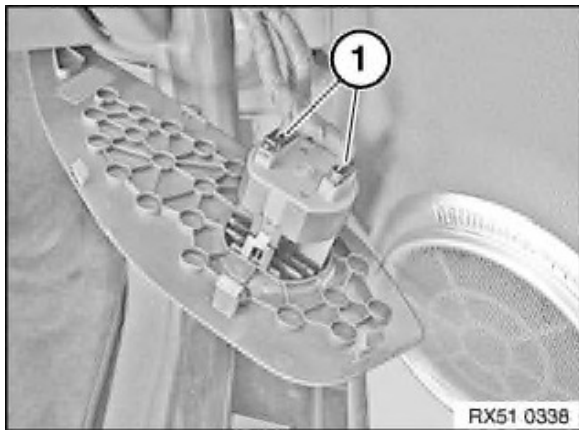
*Necessary preliminary tasks:*

- Remove A-pillar trim
- Remove glovebox
- Remove decorative trims for instrument panel

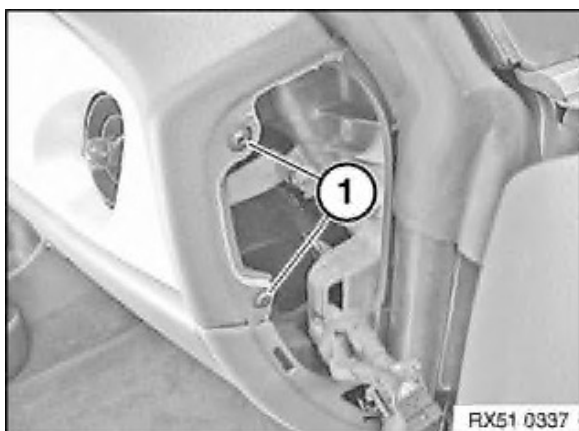


Lever out cover on left and right in direction of arrow.

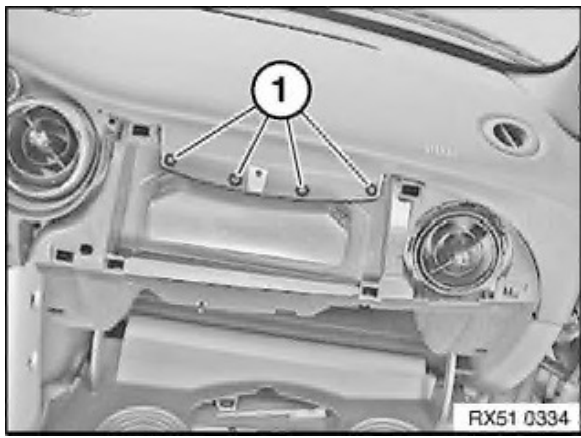


With passenger airbag deactivation optional extra only:

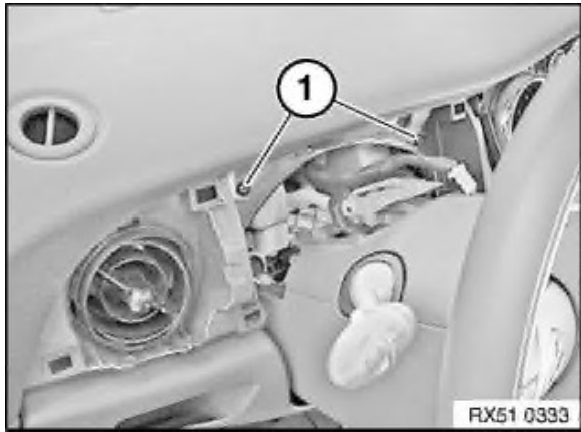
Unlock plug connections (1) and disconnect.



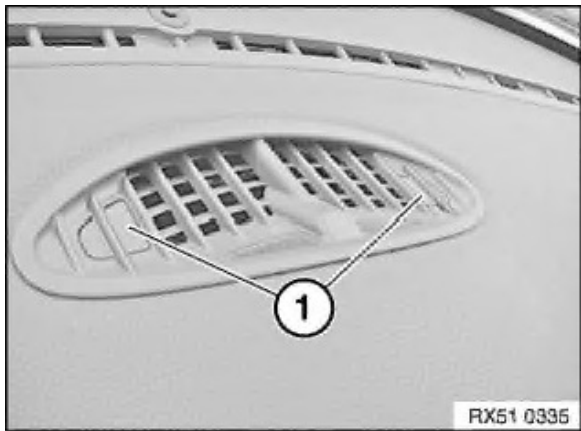
Release left and right screws (1).



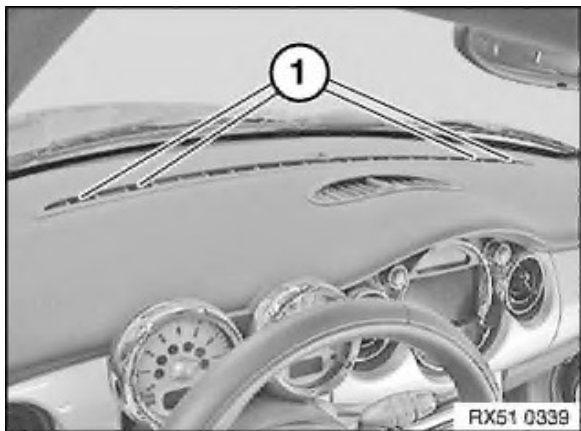
Release screws (1).



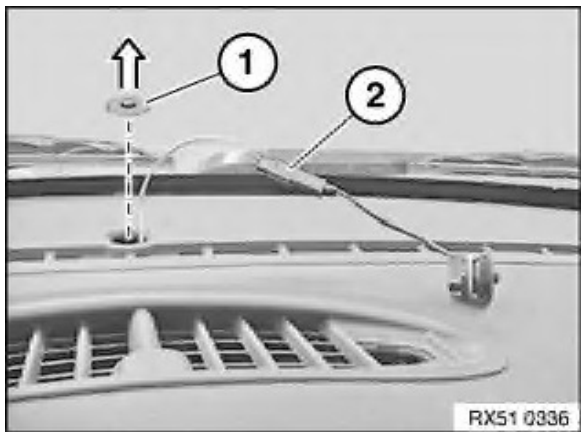
Release screws (1).



Lever out cover caps (1) in ventilation grille and release screws underneath.



Release screws (1) in ventilation grille.



With automatic air conditioning optional extra only:

Note:

Tape off work area around solar sensor (1) (risk of damage).

Remove solar sensor (1).

Firmly pull solar sensor (1) upwards to release binding (adhesive tape inside instrument panel).

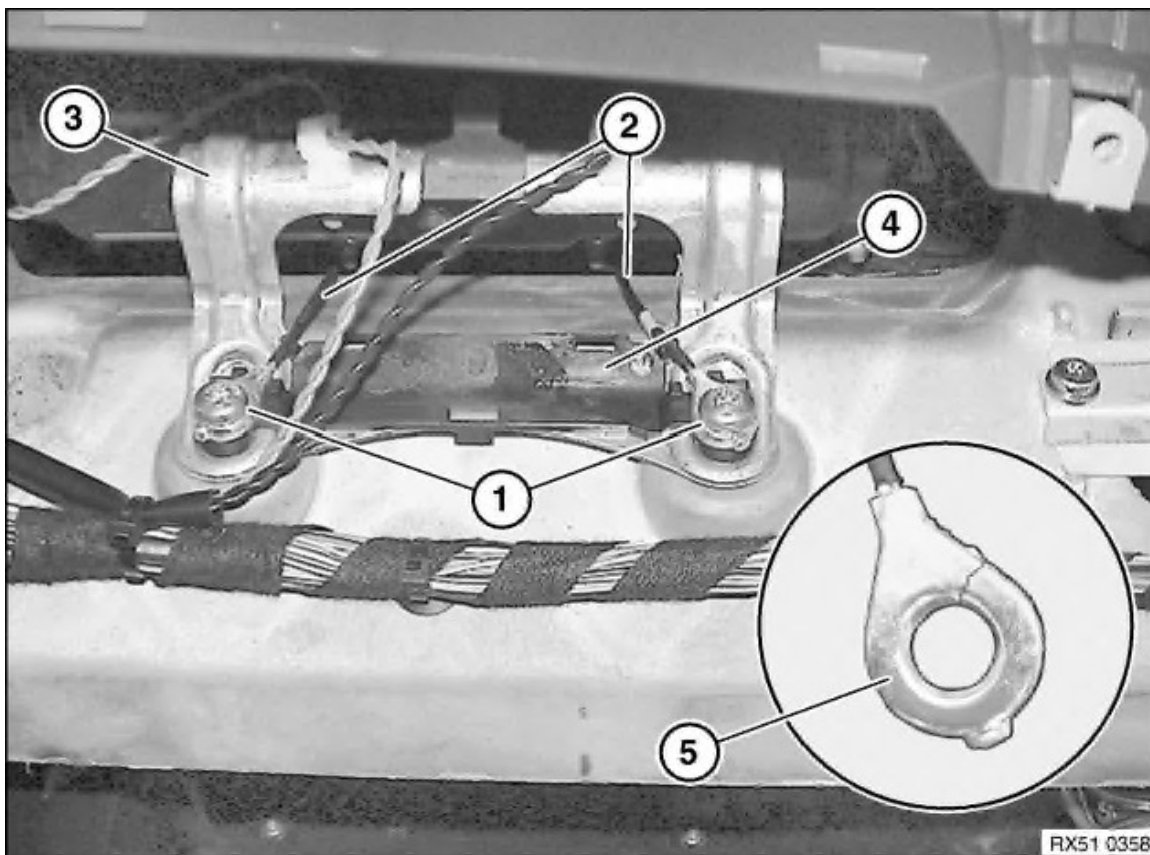
Feed plug connection (2) out of instrument panel and disconnect.

Installation:

Wrap adhesive tape round plug connection to prevent rattling noises.



Protect trim with adhesive tape (1) against damage.



Important!

Broken eyelets (5) or damaged restraint cables (2) can cause injuries due to uncontrolled tearing off of the

airbag cover when the airbag is triggered.

Instrument panel upper section trim must be replaced if eyelets (5) are damaged or restraint cables (2) are damaged.

In order to prevent damage to eyelets (5), make sure spacer (4) is fitted; retrofit if necessary.

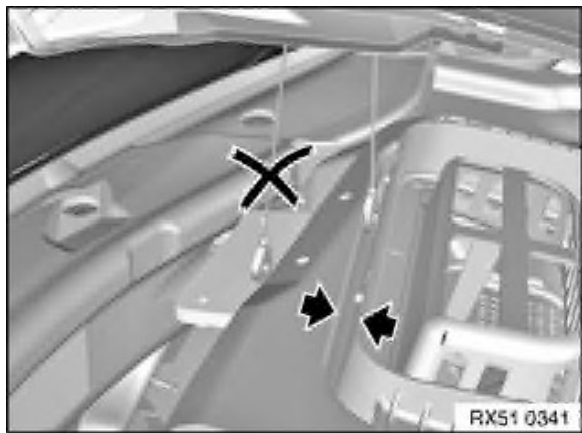
Release screws (1).

Tightening torque 72 12 7AZ .

Remove instrument panel upper section towards top and feed out restraint cables (2) between airbag module and instrument panel lower section.

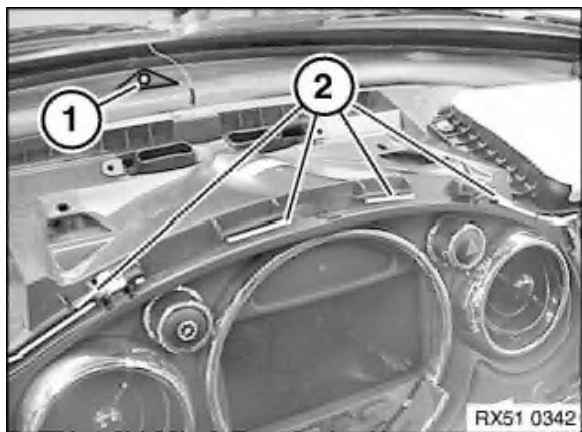
Installation:

Restraint cables (2) must be located between bracket (3).



Installation:

Insert restraint cables in gap between airbag module and instrument panel lower section.

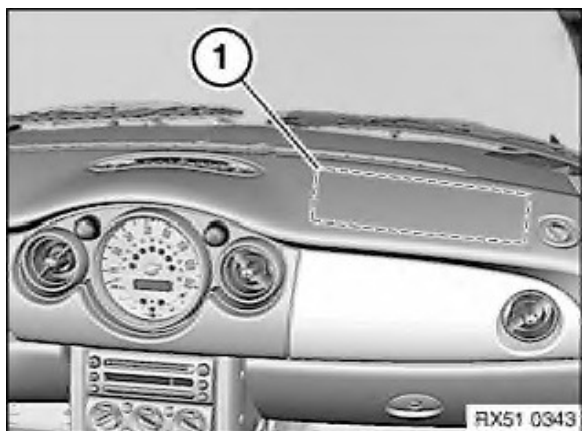


Installation:

Insert centering pin of instrument panel upper section correctly into locator (1).

Lift instrument panel upper section in front area over guides (2).

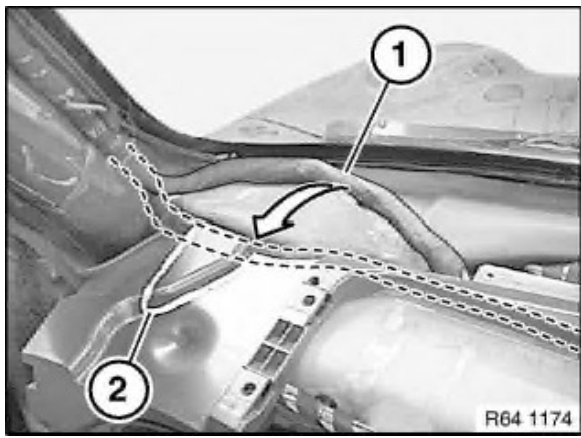
Push in instrument panel upper section as far as it will go.



Important!

Do not strike area (1) of instrument panel upper section with fist.

Laser seam of airbag cover must now show in foam film.



Replacement only

Build date from 03/04 - 07/04:

Air duct cutout must be adapted for a new instrument panel upper section.

Cut out instrument panel in marked area (2).

Lay wiring harness (1) between instrument panel and bulkhead.