Subject: Re: Speaker keeps cutting in and out
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That symptom normally does indicate a loose connection. Check the connectors and tighten if necessary. They are usually just friction fittings, and often times they aren't tight enough to provide any real friction. If they slide on and off real easy, they aren't tight enough. Remove the connector and gently squeeze it with pliers, just enough to make it a little bit hard to put back on. Be sure to support the lug when re-installing, because the lug is sometimes on a pretty flimsy piece of fiberboard or cardboard, and you can easily break it by applying too much pressure.

That's just one place where there are mechanical connections. The friction fitting is most likely crimped onto the wire. This can sometimes be a problem too. Check to make sure the wire is firmly held in place, and if not, either recrimp or solder. There are also connections at the other end, usually under the dash. Those are usually a little better, but sometimes not. So if you find the connectors on the speaker end are fine, check the amplifier end, preamp and all others. But start with the speaker end because that's where the trouble usually is.