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The instability caused by perturbing a 1D-wave by a perturbation in transverse direction is called transverse instability. We study this phenomenon for KdV periodic waves as a 1D-wave of KP equation. For KP-I equation, we provide a complete picture of transverse instability with respect to periodic as well as non-periodic perturbations in transverse direction. We extend our analysis to rotation-modified KP and full-dispersion KP models and obtain some new transverse instabilities in these models. (Received September 16, 2016)