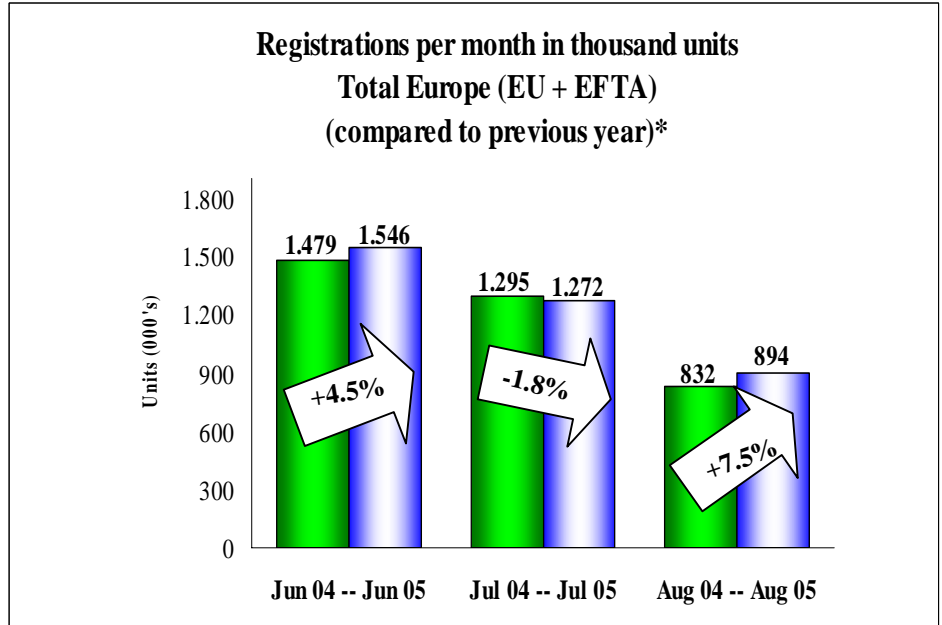
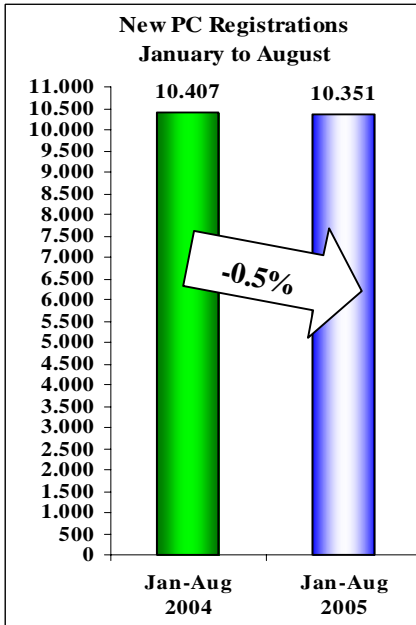




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14th September 2005

New Passenger Car Registrations
European Union + EFTA Countries



*Not adjusted for working days

Total Europe (EU-23 + EFTA) passenger cars registrations in August 2005 amounted to 894,226 units, which represent an increase of +7.5% (and of 8.6% in the EU-15) with respect to August 2004. In July 2005, registrations in Europe amounted to 1,271,674 units, which represent a decrease of -1.8% (and of -1.6% in the EU-15) with respect to July 2004. These contrasting figures for the two summer months were influenced by the number of working days: in average July 2005 had one working day less across Europe, while August two extra working days in Estonia and Hungary, and one in Latvia, Germany, Ireland, the Netherlands, Finland, Denmark, Sweden and the U.K. With these results, cumulative figures for the first eight months of the year show a decrease reduced to -0.5% in total Europe, while the EU-15 is back on a positive trend (+0.4%) for the first time in 2005.

With regard to July 2005, only two out of the five main markets experienced an increase: Italy (+1.8%) and Germany (+1.2%), while the U.K. (-6.6%), France (-5.3%) and Spain (-2.8%) posted decreases. The situation in the other markets was mixed. In the EU-15, Denmark (18.9%), Finland (+7.3%), Belgium (+4.1%), Sweden (+2.9%) and Portugal (+1.1%) reported market gains. In contrast, Austria (-8.5%), Greece (-4.4%) and the Netherlands (-2.6%) showed falls in new car registrations. Sales also fell in the EFTA region (-1.7%) and in Poland (-10.8%), Hungary (-6.3%) and the Czech Republic (-2.4%). The Baltic States enjoyed solid gains.

In August 2005, all five main markets, with the exception of the U.K. (-2.3%), posted positive variations: Italy (+12.7%), Germany (+11.7%), Spain (+9.5%) and France (+7.7%). A majority of the smaller markets also contributed positively to the August results, in particular: Denmark (+29.2%), Ireland (+22.2%), Sweden (+14.2%), Finland (+13.9%), Belgium (+11.7%) and the Czech Republic (+10.4%). The situation in Poland remained weak (-12.6%).

Cumulative results see 14 countries posting growth, ranging from +44.7% in Latvia to +1.9% in Slovakia, while 10 other experience losses, ranging from -0.6% in Belgium to -29% in Poland), while Luxembourg and Austria show a completely flat result. Over this period, the EU-15 shows a marginal but encouraging growth (+0.4%) while the trend continues to be negative, but to a lesser extent, in EFTA countries (-7.5%) and new EU members (-12.9%).



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PROVISIONAL NEW PASSENGER CAR REGISTRATIONS BY MARKET EUROPE (EU* + EFTA)

14/09/05

| | July '05 | July '04 | % Chg 05/04 | Jan-Jul '05 | Jan-Jul '04 | % Chg 05/04 |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|
| AUSTRIA | 25.881 | 28.271 | -8,5 | 197.092 | 198.184 | -0,6 |
| BELGIUM | 32.347 | 31.083 | +4,1 | 318.744 | 324.354 | -1,7 |
| DENMARK | 10.978 | 9.236 | +18,9 | 84.708 | 67.745 | +25,0 |
| FINLAND | 11.457 | 10.673 | +7,3 | 97.743 | 94.278 | +3,7 |
| FRANCE | 159.464 | 168.408 | -5,3 | 1.287.207 | 1.236.215 | +4,1 |
| GERMANY | 270.936 | 267.620 | +1,2 | 1.967.733 | 1.923.736 | +2,3 |
| GREECE | 26.379 | 27.595 | -4,4 | 179.822 | 194.340 | -7,5 |
| IRELAND | 12.409 | 12.443 | -0,3 | 149.472 | 134.017 | +11,5 |
| ITALY | 212.584 | 208.792 | +1,8 | 1.439.490 | 1.500.340 | -4,1 |
| LUXEMBOURG | 3.941 | 4.010 | -1,7 | 32.612 | 32.481 | +0,4 |
| NETHERLANDS | 37.961 | 38.980 | -2,6 | 311.850 | 324.184 | -3,8 |
| PORTUGAL | 18.934 | 18.725 | +1,1 | 133.961 | 124.629 | +7,5 |
| SPAIN | 162.999 | 167.670 | -2,8 | 972.712 | 957.189 | +1,6 |
| SWEDEN | 17.186 | 16.703 | +2,9 | 154.352 | 152.198 | +1,4 |
| UNITED KINGDOM | 175.277 | 187.632 | -6,6 | 1.471.762 | 1.564.197 | -5,9 |
| EUROPEAN UNION (EU15) | 1.178.733 | 1.197.841 | -1,6 | 8.799.260 | 8.828.087 | -0,3 |
| ICELAND | 1.807 | 1.229 | +47,0 | 11.493 | 7.638 | +50,5 |
| NORWAY | 9.690 | 9.981 | -2,9 | 64.565 | 65.298 | -1,1 |
| SWITZERLAND | 20.759 | 23.101 | -10,1 | 144.740 | 167.810 | -13,7 |
| EFTA | 32.256 | 34.311 | -6,0 | 220.798 | 240.746 | -8,3 |
| EU15+EFTA | 1.210.989 | 1.232.152 | -1,7 | 9.020.058 | 9.068.833 | -0,5 |
| CZECH REPUBLIC | 10.043 | 10.288 | -2,4 | 77.153 | 75.062 | +2,8 |
| ESTONIA | 1.670 | 1.272 | +31,3 | 11.875 | 10.248 | +15,9 |
| HUNGARY | 16.630 | 17.739 | -6,3 | 111.281 | 122.138 | -8,9 |
| LATVIA | 1.681 | 909 | +84,9 | 8.938 | 6.205 | +44,0 |
| LITHUANIA | 907 | 707 | +28,3 | 6.216 | 5.464 | +13,8 |
| POLAND | 19.722 | 22.099 | -10,8 | 149.178 | 214.829 | -30,6 |
| SLOVAKIA | 5.181 | 4.330 | +19,7 | 33.139 | 32.236 | +2,8 |
| SLOVENIA | 4.851 | 5.398 | -10,1 | 38.419 | 40.850 | -6,0 |
| EU (New Members) | 60.685 | 62.742 | -3,3 | 436.199 | 507.032 | -14,0 |
| EUROPEAN UNION* | 1.239.418 | 1.260.583 | -1,7 | 9.235.459 | 9.335.119 | -1,1 |
| TOTAL EUROPE (EU+EFTA)** | 1.271.674 | 1.294.894 | -1,8 | 9.456.257 | 9.575.865 | -1,2 |

(*) EU 23 - Data for Malta and Cyprus are currently not available.

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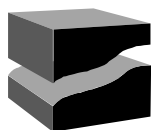
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NEW PASSENGER CAR REGISTRATIONS BY MANUFACTURER EUROPEAN UNION (EU15) + EFTA Countries

14/09/05

| | July | | | | | January to July | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | %Share '05 | %Share '04 | Units '05 | Units '04 | % Chg 05/04 | %Share '05 | %Share '04 | Units '05 | Units '04 | % Chg 05/04 |
| ALL BRANDS* | | | 1.210.989 | 1.232.152 | -1,7 | | | 9.020.058 | 9.068.833 | -0,5 |
| VW Group | 19,8 | 18,3 | 240.188 | 225.117 | +6,7 | 18,3 | 17,6 | 1.647.621 | 1.596.426 | +3,2 |
| VOLKSWAGEN | 10,6 | 10,0 | 128.951 | 122.780 | +5,0 | 9,7 | 9,7 | 874.145 | 879.599 | -0,6 |
| AUDI | 4,4 | 3,7 | 52.974 | 45.175 | +17,3 | 4,2 | 3,7 | 378.292 | 331.282 | +14,2 |
| SEAT | 2,8 | 2,9 | 33.808 | 35.947 | -6,0 | 2,5 | 2,6 | 221.425 | 235.490 | -6,0 |
| SKODA | 2,0 | 1,7 | 24.166 | 20.700 | +16,7 | 1,9 | 1,6 | 171.379 | 147.895 | +15,9 |
| Others | 0,0 | 0,0 | 289 | 515 | -43,9 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 2.380 | 2.160 | +10,2 |
| PSA Group | 14,1 | 14,8 | 170.941 | 182.824 | -6,5 | 14,0 | 14,5 | 1.265.458 | 1.311.403 | -3,5 |
| PEUGEOT | 7,8 | 8,2 | 94.469 | 100.642 | -6,1 | 7,7 | 8,0 | 693.598 | 729.260 | -4,9 |
| CITROEN | 6,3 | 6,7 | 76.472 | 82.182 | -6,9 | 6,3 | 6,4 | 571.860 | 582.143 | -1,8 |
| FORD Group | 10,6 | 10,9 | 127.824 | 134.911 | -5,3 | 11,1 | 11,5 | 1.003.728 | 1.041.329 | -3,6 |
| FORD | 8,4 | 8,7 | 101.314 | 107.632 | -5,9 | 8,6 | 8,9 | 777.768 | 806.731 | -3,6 |
| VOLVO | 1,4 | 1,4 | 16.895 | 16.883 | +0,1 | 1,7 | 1,7 | 151.237 | 150.523 | +0,5 |
| LAND ROVER | 0,5 | 0,4 | 6.058 | 5.073 | +19,4 | 0,5 | 0,5 | 45.829 | 45.733 | +0,2 |
| JAGUAR | 0,3 | 0,4 | 3.557 | 5.323 | -33,2 | 0,3 | 0,4 | 28.894 | 38.342 | -24,6 |
| GM Group | 10,3 | 10,6 | 124.683 | 130.185 | -4,2 | 10,8 | 10,6 | 971.456 | 962.198 | +1,0 |
| OPEL/VAUXHALL | 8,6 | 9,1 | 104.349 | 112.323 | -7,1 | 9,2 | 9,1 | 833.632 | 825.876 | +0,9 |
| CHEVROLET | 1,2 | 1,0 | 14.748 | 11.990 | +23,0 | 1,0 | 1,0 | 89.497 | 86.396 | +3,6 |
| SAAB | 0,4 | 0,4 | 5.217 | 5.471 | -4,6 | 0,5 | 0,5 | 45.222 | 47.791 | -5,4 |
| GM (US) | 0,0 | 0,0 | 369 | 401 | -8,0 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 3.105 | 2.135 | +45,4 |
| RENAULT Group | 9,0 | 9,6 | 108.396 | 118.182 | -8,3 | 10,0 | 10,2 | 906.073 | 929.383 | -2,5 |
| RENAULT | 8,9 | 9,6 | 107.290 | 118.181 | -9,2 | 10,0 | 10,2 | 903.526 | 929.382 | -2,8 |
| DACIA | 0,1 | 0,0 | 1.106 | 1 | ++ | 0,0 | 0,0 | 2.547 | 1 | ++ |
| FIAT Group | 7,1 | 7,8 | 86.026 | 96.694 | -11,0 | 6,7 | 7,7 | 601.423 | 696.640 | -13,7 |
| FIAT | 5,3 | 5,9 | 63.602 | 72.251 | -12,0 | 4,8 | 5,7 | 435.640 | 516.336 | -15,6 |
| LANCIA | 0,8 | 0,8 | 10.229 | 9.996 | +2,3 | 0,9 | 0,8 | 78.329 | 74.740 | +4,8 |
| ALFA ROMEO | 1,0 | 1,1 | 11.751 | 13.946 | -15,7 | 0,9 | 1,1 | 83.825 | 102.438 | -18,2 |
| OTHERS | 0,0 | 0,0 | 444 | 501 | -11,4 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 3.629 | 3.126 | +16,1 |
| DaimlerChrysler | 6,4 | 6,4 | 77.260 | 79.324 | -2,6 | 6,0 | 6,1 | 538.328 | 555.470 | -3,1 |
| MERCEDES | 4,8 | 4,6 | 57.600 | 56.354 | +2,2 | 4,5 | 4,7 | 403.608 | 421.764 | -4,3 |
| SMART | 1,0 | 1,1 | 11.660 | 13.998 | -16,7 | 0,9 | 0,8 | 85.177 | 76.831 | +10,9 |
| CHRYSLER | 0,7 | 0,7 | 8.000 | 8.972 | -10,8 | 0,5 | 0,6 | 49.543 | 56.875 | -12,9 |
| TOYOTA & LEXUS | 5,2 | 4,8 | 62.500 | 59.403 | +5,2 | 5,3 | 5,1 | 476.035 | 460.481 | +3,4 |
| BMW Group | 5,0 | 4,6 | 60.787 | 57.182 | +6,3 | 5,2 | 4,5 | 464.568 | 405.229 | +14,6 |
| BMW | 4,1 | 3,7 | 49.780 | 45.876 | +8,5 | 4,3 | 3,7 | 385.936 | 331.170 | +16,5 |
| Mini | 0,9 | 0,9 | 11.007 | 11.306 | -2,6 | 0,9 | 0,8 | 78.632 | 74.059 | +6,2 |
| NISSAN | 2,5 | 2,6 | 30.534 | 31.454 | -2,9 | 2,5 | 2,5 | 225.264 | 231.237 | -2,6 |
| HYUNDAI | 2,1 | 2,1 | 25.289 | 25.543 | -1,0 | 2,1 | 2,0 | 185.612 | 180.169 | +3,0 |
| HONDA | 1,7 | 1,4 | 20.220 | 17.723 | +14,1 | 1,6 | 1,5 | 147.562 | 134.542 | +9,7 |
| MAZDA | 1,4 | 1,5 | 17.408 | 18.931 | -8,0 | 1,6 | 1,7 | 142.883 | 156.708 | -8,8 |
| KIA | 1,6 | 1,1 | 19.520 | 13.651 | +43,0 | 1,5 | 0,9 | 132.952 | 83.112 | +60,0 |
| SUZUKI | 1,3 | 1,1 | 15.470 | 13.246 | +16,8 | 1,2 | 1,1 | 106.068 | 100.186 | +5,9 |
| MITSUBISHI | 0,8 | 0,8 | 9.672 | 9.316 | +3,8 | 0,9 | 0,8 | 78.777 | 71.654 | +9,9 |
| MG ROVER Group | 0,2 | 0,7 | 2.564 | 8.328 | -69,2 | 0,4 | 0,8 | 36.688 | 73.978 | -50,4 |
| OTHERS | 1,0 | 0,8 | 11.707 | 10.138 | +15,5 | 1,0 | 0,9 | 89.562 | 78.688 | +13,8 |

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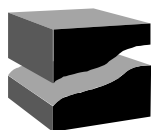
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NEW PASSENGER CAR REGISTRATIONS BY MANUFACTURER TOTAL EUROPE (EU23 + EFTA Countries)

14/09/05

| | July | | | | | January to July | | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------|-------------|------------------|------------------|--------------|
| | %Share '05 | %Share '04 | Units '05 | Units '04 | % Chg 05/04 | %Share '05 | %Share '04 | Units '05 | Units '04 | % Chg 05/04 |
| ALL BRANDS* | | | 1.271.674 | 1.294.894 | -1,8 | | | 9.456.257 | 9.575.865 | -1,2 |
| VW Group | 20,2 | 18,7 | 256.473 | 242.545 | +5,7 | 18,7 | 18,1 | 1.766.254 | 1.732.297 | +2,0 |
| VOLKSWAGEN | 10,5 | 9,8 | 133.233 | 127.355 | +4,6 | 9,5 | 9,5 | 901.050 | 911.766 | -1,2 |
| AUDI | 4,2 | 3,5 | 53.747 | 45.933 | +17,0 | 4,1 | 3,5 | 383.946 | 336.508 | +14,1 |
| SEAT | 2,8 | 2,9 | 35.187 | 37.441 | -6,0 | 2,5 | 2,6 | 232.754 | 246.584 | -5,6 |
| SKODA | 2,7 | 2,4 | 34.016 | 31.301 | +8,7 | 2,6 | 2,5 | 246.108 | 235.278 | +4,6 |
| Others | 0,0 | 0,0 | 290 | 515 | -43,7 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 2.396 | 2.161 | +10,9 |
| PSA Group | 14,0 | 14,6 | 177.874 | 188.517 | -5,6 | 13,9 | 14,3 | 1.313.840 | 1.367.415 | -3,9 |
| PEUGEOT | 7,7 | 8,1 | 98.265 | 104.314 | -5,8 | 7,6 | 8,0 | 720.533 | 764.264 | -5,7 |
| CITROEN | 6,3 | 6,5 | 79.609 | 84.203 | -5,5 | 6,3 | 6,3 | 593.307 | 603.151 | -1,6 |
| FORD Group | 10,5 | 10,8 | 133.274 | 139.676 | -4,6 | 11,0 | 11,3 | 1.037.786 | 1.081.342 | -4,0 |
| FORD | 8,3 | 8,6 | 106.176 | 111.918 | -5,1 | 8,5 | 8,8 | 807.659 | 842.844 | -4,2 |
| VOLVO | 1,4 | 1,3 | 17.377 | 17.291 | +0,5 | 1,6 | 1,6 | 154.628 | 153.792 | +0,5 |
| LAND ROVER | 0,5 | 0,4 | 6.146 | 5.118 | +20,1 | 0,5 | 0,5 | 46.417 | 46.198 | +0,5 |
| JAGUAR | 0,3 | 0,4 | 3.575 | 5.349 | -33,2 | 0,3 | 0,4 | 29.082 | 38.508 | -24,5 |
| GM Group | 10,4 | 10,7 | 131.863 | 139.027 | -5,2 | 10,8 | 10,7 | 1.021.362 | 1.022.763 | -0,1 |
| OPEL/VAUXHALL | 8,6 | 9,1 | 109.645 | 118.298 | -7,3 | 9,2 | 9,1 | 869.487 | 869.974 | -0,1 |
| CHEVROLET | 1,3 | 1,1 | 16.578 | 14.775 | +12,2 | 1,1 | 1,1 | 103.107 | 102.441 | +0,7 |
| SAAB | 0,4 | 0,4 | 5.271 | 5.552 | -5,1 | 0,5 | 0,5 | 45.593 | 48.205 | -5,4 |
| GM (US) | 0,0 | 0,0 | 369 | 402 | -8,2 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 3.175 | 2.143 | +48,2 |
| RENAULT | 9,0 | 9,6 | 114.162 | 124.662 | -8,4 | 10,0 | 10,3 | 949.902 | 981.810 | -3,2 |
| RENAULT | 8,8 | 9,6 | 112.330 | 124.612 | -9,9 | 10,0 | 10,2 | 941.097 | 981.460 | -4,1 |
| DACIA | 0,1 | 0,0 | 1.832 | 50 | ++ | 0,1 | 0,0 | 8.805 | 350 | ++ |
| FIAT Group | 7,0 | 7,8 | 89.256 | 101.383 | -12,0 | 6,6 | 7,8 | 625.303 | 747.719 | -16,4 |
| FIAT | 5,2 | 5,9 | 66.722 | 76.756 | -13,1 | 4,8 | 5,9 | 458.521 | 566.021 | -19,0 |
| LANCIA | 0,8 | 0,8 | 10.250 | 10.034 | +2,2 | 0,8 | 0,8 | 78.470 | 74.990 | +4,6 |
| ALFA ROMEO | 0,9 | 1,1 | 11.840 | 14.092 | -16,0 | 0,9 | 1,1 | 84.683 | 103.582 | -18,2 |
| OTHERS | 0,0 | 0,0 | 444 | 501 | -11,4 | 0,0 | 0,0 | 3.629 | 3.126 | +16,1 |
| DaimlerChrysler | 6,1 | 6,2 | 78.145 | 80.172 | -2,5 | 5,8 | 5,9 | 544.643 | 561.894 | -3,1 |
| MERCEDES | 4,6 | 4,4 | 58.210 | 56.928 | +2,3 | 4,3 | 4,5 | 408.146 | 426.409 | -4,3 |
| SMART | 0,9 | 1,1 | 11.700 | 14.056 | -16,8 | 0,9 | 0,8 | 85.477 | 77.101 | +10,9 |
| CHRYSLER | 0,6 | 0,7 | 8.235 | 9.188 | -10,4 | 0,5 | 0,6 | 51.020 | 58.384 | -12,6 |
| TOYOTA & LEXUS | 5,3 | 4,9 | 67.118 | 63.553 | +5,6 | 5,4 | 5,2 | 508.442 | 500.243 | +1,6 |
| BMW Group | 4,8 | 4,5 | 61.554 | 57.696 | +6,7 | 5,0 | 4,3 | 469.445 | 408.993 | +14,8 |
| BMW | 4,0 | 3,6 | 50.512 | 46.358 | +9,0 | 4,1 | 3,5 | 390.542 | 334.660 | +16,7 |
| Mini | 0,9 | 0,9 | 11.042 | 11.338 | -2,6 | 0,8 | 0,8 | 78.903 | 74.333 | +6,1 |
| NISSAN | 2,5 | 2,5 | 31.847 | 32.526 | -2,1 | 2,5 | 2,5 | 234.928 | 240.883 | -2,5 |
| HYUNDAI | 2,1 | 2,1 | 26.852 | 26.816 | +0,1 | 2,1 | 2,0 | 196.676 | 189.326 | +3,9 |
| HONDA | 1,7 | 1,5 | 21.909 | 19.741 | +11,0 | 1,7 | 1,5 | 159.635 | 146.116 | +9,3 |
| MAZDA | 1,4 | 1,5 | 17.958 | 19.735 | -9,0 | 1,6 | 1,7 | 147.743 | 162.892 | -9,3 |
| KIA | 1,6 | 1,1 | 20.360 | 14.420 | +41,2 | 1,5 | 0,9 | 139.624 | 86.838 | +60,8 |
| SUZUKI | 1,5 | 1,3 | 19.452 | 17.090 | +13,8 | 1,4 | 1,3 | 134.691 | 125.074 | +7,7 |
| MITSUBISHI | 0,8 | 0,7 | 10.154 | 9.592 | +5,9 | 0,9 | 0,8 | 82.343 | 75.027 | +9,8 |
| MG ROVER Group | 0,2 | 0,6 | 2.565 | 8.334 | -69,2 | 0,4 | 0,8 | 36.748 | 74.050 | -50,4 |
| OTHERS | 0,9 | 0,7 | 10.858 | 9.409 | +15,4 | 0,9 | 0,7 | 86.892 | 71.183 | +22,1 |

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