

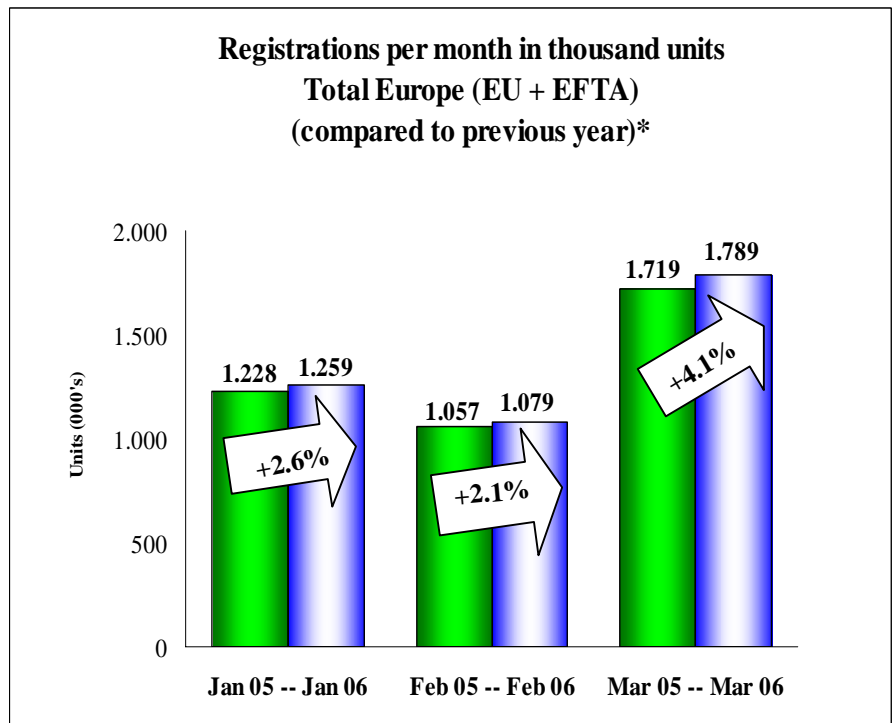
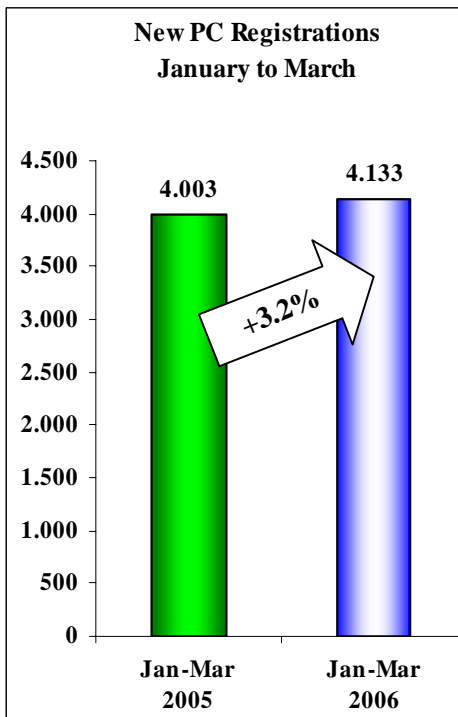


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## New Passenger Car Registrations

*European Union + EFTA Countries*



\*Not adjusted for working days

Total new passenger cars registrations in Europe (EU-23+EFTA) in March 2006 amounted to 1,788,723 units, which represent an increase of +4.1% with respect to March 2005. This positive result, partly due to an extra working day in all countries (+2 in Germany, Spain, Finland, Sweden, the U.K., Latvia, Lithuania and Slovakia, and +3 in Denmark), confirms the good start of the year. The cumulative result for the first quarter of 2006 shows an increase of +3.2% for Europe (EU-23+EFTA) and +3.4% for the EU-15.

With regard to national situations, March 2006 sees three out of the five main markets posting growth: Italy (+8.6%), Spain (+8.3%) and Germany (+6.9%). France (-2.5%) and the U.K. (-1.6%) reported a slight loss. Among the other EU-15 countries, only Greece (-2.1%) and Luxembourg (-1.7%) posted a negative result. The other eight countries saw increases, ranging from +6.1% in Ireland to +25.2% in Belgium.

EFTA countries ended the month with an increase of +6.2% and new EU Member States posted a marginal loss of -0.5%, driven by Poland (-9.5%). All the other new EU Member States posted growth, with Latvia (+70.8%) again as the best performer. Cumulative figures for the first quarter see an increase of +3.3% for EFTA countries and a decrease reduced to -0.6% for new EU Member States.



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

14/04/06

	March '06	March '05	% Chg 06/05	Jan-March '06	Jan-March '05	% Chg 06/05
AUSTRIA	35.046	32.549	+7,7	77.999	74.594	+4,6
BELGIUM	64.963	51.869	+25,2	177.645	147.998	+20,0
DENMARK	13.539	12.548	+7,9	35.545	32.284	+10,1
FINLAND	13.748	12.915	+6,4	43.809	42.266	+3,7
FRANCE	197.376	202.475	-2,5	526.502	526.233	+0,1
GERMANY	358.072	334.892	+6,9	797.143	756.283	+5,4
GREECE	25.069	25.616	-2,1	76.059	77.838	-2,3
IRELAND	26.190	24.690	+6,1	94.683	87.635	+8,0
ITALY	250.328	230.468	+8,6	700.027	642.491	+9,0
LUXEMBOURG	5.832	5.931	-1,7	14.222	14.612	-2,7
NETHERLANDS	50.857	45.589	+11,6	159.919	150.693	+6,1
PORTUGAL	20.847	21.117	-1,3	51.916	53.178	-2,4
SPAIN	161.906	149.559	+8,3	383.143	373.909	+2,5
SWEDEN	25.560	23.936	+6,8	61.256	59.556	+2,9
UNITED KINGDOM	435.847	442.939	-1,6	669.206	701.505	-4,6
<b>EUROPEAN UNION (EU15)</b>	<b>1.685.180</b>	<b>1.617.093</b>	<b>+4,2</b>	<b>3.869.074</b>	<b>3.741.075</b>	<b>+3,4</b>
ICELAND	2.172	1.169	+85,8	5.334	3.574	+49,2
NORWAY	9.819	9.493	+3,4	24.622	25.193	-2,3
SWITZERLAND	25.698	24.843	+3,4	61.546	59.796	+2,9
<b>EFTA</b>	<b>37.689</b>	<b>35.505</b>	<b>+6,2</b>	<b>91.502</b>	<b>88.563</b>	<b>+3,3</b>
<b>EU15+EFTA</b>	<b>1.722.869</b>	<b>1.652.598</b>	<b>+4,3</b>	<b>3.960.576</b>	<b>3.829.638</b>	<b>+3,4</b>
CZECH REPUBLIC	11.285	11.057	+2,1	27.568	27.844	-1,0
ESTONIA	1.794	1.697	+5,7	5.205	4.363	+19,3
HUNGARY	17.420	17.384	+0,2	45.030	42.200	+6,7
LATVIA	1.850	1.083	+70,8	4.569	2.918	+56,6
LITHUANIA	836	766	+9,1	2.672	2.302	+16,1
POLAND	21.658	23.922	-9,5	58.261	65.976	-11,7
SLOVAKIA	5.265	4.599	+14,5	12.852	11.613	+10,7
SLOVENIA	5.747	5.659	+1,6	16.040	15.936	+0,7
<b>EU (New Members)</b>	<b>65.854</b>	<b>66.167</b>	<b>-0,5</b>	<b>172.197</b>	<b>173.152</b>	<b>-0,6</b>
<b>EUROPEAN UNION*</b>	<b>1.751.034</b>	<b>1.683.260</b>	<b>+4,0</b>	<b>4.041.271</b>	<b>3.914.227</b>	<b>+3,2</b>
<b>TOTAL EUROPE (EU+EFTA)**</b>	<b>1.788.723</b>	<b>1.718.765</b>	<b>+4,1</b>	<b>4.132.773</b>	<b>4.002.790</b>	<b>+3,2</b>

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

(\*\*) ACEA estimates

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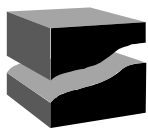
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## PROVISIONAL

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

14/04/06

	March					January to March				
	%Share		Units	Units	% Chg	%Share		Units	Units	% Chg
	'06	'05	'06	'05	06/05	'06	'05	'06	'05	06/05
<b>ALL BRANDS*</b>			<b>1.722.869</b>	<b>1.652.598</b>	<b>+4,3</b>			<b>3.960.576</b>	<b>3.829.638</b>	<b>+3,4</b>
<b>VW Group</b>	<b>18,1</b>	<b>17,1</b>	<b>312.046</b>	<b>283.050</b>	<b>+10,2</b>	<b>18,7</b>	<b>17,0</b>	<b>738.854</b>	<b>650.554</b>	<b>+13,6</b>
VOLKSWAGEN	9,9	9,1	170.074	149.831	+13,5	10,2	9,0	403.921	343.233	+17,7
AUDI	4,0	4,0	69.253	66.443	+4,2	4,0	4,0	159.559	151.684	+5,2
SEAT	2,2	2,2	38.361	37.102	+3,4	2,4	2,3	96.903	88.958	+8,9
SKODA	2,0	1,8	33.849	29.201	+15,9	2,0	1,7	77.367	65.574	+18,0
Others(1)	0,0	0,0	509	473	+7,6	0,0	0,0	1.104	1.105	-0,1
<b>PSA Group</b>	<b>12,8</b>	<b>13,2</b>	<b>220.497</b>	<b>217.763</b>	<b>+1,3</b>	<b>13,8</b>	<b>14,2</b>	<b>546.263</b>	<b>544.686</b>	<b>+0,3</b>
PEUGEOT	7,1	7,4	122.095	121.640	+0,4	7,5	7,7	296.676	294.873	+0,6
CITROEN	5,7	5,8	98.402	96.123	+2,4	6,3	6,5	249.587	249.813	-0,1
<b>FORD Group</b>	<b>11,9</b>	<b>12,3</b>	<b>205.774</b>	<b>203.866</b>	<b>+0,9</b>	<b>11,1</b>	<b>11,6</b>	<b>441.425</b>	<b>445.137</b>	<b>-0,8</b>
FORD	9,2	9,6	157.809	158.272	-0,3	8,6	9,0	341.292	342.795	-0,4
VOLVO	1,6	1,7	28.177	27.940	+0,8	1,6	1,8	63.624	68.680	-7,4
LAND ROVER	0,7	0,6	12.731	10.527	+20,9	0,6	0,5	24.555	20.708	+18,6
JAGUAR	0,4	0,4	7.057	7.127	-1,0	0,3	0,3	11.954	12.954	-7,7
<b>GM Group</b>	<b>11,1</b>	<b>11,3</b>	<b>191.925</b>	<b>187.257</b>	<b>+2,5</b>	<b>10,4</b>	<b>10,7</b>	<b>411.276</b>	<b>410.163</b>	<b>+0,3</b>
OPEL/VAUXHALL	9,4	9,8	162.245	162.527	-0,2	8,7	9,2	345.074	354.038	-2,5
CHEVROLET	1,0	0,9	17.580	14.947	+17,6	1,0	0,9	40.700	35.967	+13,2
SAAB	0,7	0,6	11.649	9.349	+24,6	0,6	0,5	24.072	18.926	+27,2
GM (US)	0,0	0,0	451	434	+3,9	0,0	0,0	1.430	1.232	+16,1
<b>RENAULT Group</b>	<b>8,4</b>	<b>9,3</b>	<b>145.372</b>	<b>152.945</b>	<b>-5,0</b>	<b>8,8</b>	<b>10,0</b>	<b>347.888</b>	<b>381.843</b>	<b>-8,9</b>
RENAULT	8,2	9,2	141.650	152.863	-7,3	8,5	10,0	338.302	381.707	-11,4
DACIA	0,2	0,0	3.722	82	++	0,2	0,0	9.586	136	++
<b>FIAT Group</b>	<b>7,2</b>	<b>6,2</b>	<b>123.481</b>	<b>102.689</b>	<b>+20,2</b>	<b>8,0</b>	<b>7,1</b>	<b>318.531</b>	<b>270.470</b>	<b>+17,8</b>
FIAT	5,5	4,4	94.910	73.215	+29,6	6,1	5,0	242.376	193.300	+25,4
LANCIA	0,7	0,8	12.859	13.647	-5,8	0,9	1,0	35.372	36.506	-3,1
ALFA ROMEO	0,9	0,9	15.345	15.175	+1,1	1,0	1,0	39.638	39.063	+1,5
OTHERS	0,0	0,0	367	652	-43,7	0,0	0,0	1.145	1.601	-28,5
<b>DaimlerChrysler</b>	<b>5,8</b>	<b>5,5</b>	<b>99.241</b>	<b>90.814</b>	<b>+9,3</b>	<b>5,8</b>	<b>5,7</b>	<b>228.205</b>	<b>218.200</b>	<b>+4,6</b>
MERCEDES	4,5	4,1	78.100	68.390	+14,2	4,5	4,3	177.394	163.122	+8,7
SMART	0,6	0,9	11.070	14.506	-23,7	0,7	0,9	26.902	35.578	-24,4
CHRYSLER	0,6	0,5	10.071	7.918	+27,2	0,6	0,5	23.909	19.500	+22,6
<b>TOYOTA Group</b>	<b>5,6</b>	<b>5,4</b>	<b>95.653</b>	<b>90.018</b>	<b>+6,3</b>	<b>5,4</b>	<b>5,5</b>	<b>214.834</b>	<b>212.128</b>	<b>+1,3</b>
TOYOTA	5,3	5,3	90.716	87.308	+3,9	5,2	5,4	204.826	207.296	-1,2
LEXUS	0,3	0,2	4.937	2.710	+82,2	0,3	0,1	10.008	4.832	+107,1
<b>BMW Group</b>	<b>5,5</b>	<b>5,2</b>	<b>95.101</b>	<b>86.421</b>	<b>+10,0</b>	<b>5,1</b>	<b>4,9</b>	<b>202.163</b>	<b>189.148</b>	<b>+6,9</b>
BMW	4,6	4,3	79.402	70.854	+12,1	4,4	4,1	172.965	156.850	+10,3
MINI	0,9	0,9	15.699	15.567	+0,8	0,7	0,8	29.198	32.298	-9,6
<b>NISSAN</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>2,6</b>	<b>35.606</b>	<b>43.151</b>	<b>-17,5</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>2,4</b>	<b>79.431</b>	<b>92.846</b>	<b>-14,4</b>
<b>HYUNDAI</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>32.715</b>	<b>32.977</b>	<b>-0,8</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>77.890</b>	<b>77.299</b>	<b>+0,8</b>
<b>MAZDA</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>1,8</b>	<b>35.516</b>	<b>30.515</b>	<b>+16,4</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>74.463</b>	<b>66.784</b>	<b>+11,5</b>
<b>HONDA</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>34.972</b>	<b>34.980</b>	<b>-0,0</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>1,8</b>	<b>69.151</b>	<b>67.587</b>	<b>+2,3</b>
<b>SUZUKI</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>24.801</b>	<b>19.806</b>	<b>+25,2</b>	<b>1,5</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>60.050</b>	<b>44.481</b>	<b>+35,0</b>
<b>KIA</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>23.484</b>	<b>23.569</b>	<b>-0,4</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>56.152</b>	<b>51.323</b>	<b>+9,4</b>
<b>MITSUBISHI</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>16.631</b>	<b>17.243</b>	<b>-3,5</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>36.058</b>	<b>36.433</b>	<b>-1,0</b>
<b>MG ROVER Group</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>1.459</b>	<b>15.806</b>	<b>-90,8</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>3.677</b>	<b>28.905</b>	<b>-87,3</b>
<b>OTHERS</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>1,2</b>	<b>28.596</b>	<b>19.728</b>	<b>+44,9</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,1</b>	<b>54.265</b>	<b>41.651</b>	<b>+30,3</b>

VW Group: VW 'others' include Bentley and Lamborghini

FORD Group: Ford includes Ford(US)

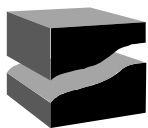
FIAT Group: FIAT 'others' include Ferrari & Maserati

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14/04/06

	March					January to March				
	%Share		Units	Units	% Chg	%Share		Units	Units	% Chg
	'06	'05	'06	'05	06/05	'06	'05	'06	'05	06/05
<b>All Brands*</b>			<b>1.788.723</b>	<b>1.718.765</b>	<b>+4,1</b>			<b>4.132.773</b>	<b>4.002.790</b>	<b>+3,2</b>
<b>VW Group</b>	<b>18,4</b>	<b>17,5</b>	<b>328.759</b>	<b>300.001</b>	<b>+9,6</b>	<b>19,0</b>	<b>17,4</b>	<b>783.818</b>	<b>696.563</b>	<b>+12,5</b>
VOLKSWAGEN	9,8	8,9	174.411	153.651	+13,5	10,1	8,8	416.243	353.480	+17,8
AUDI	3,9	3,9	69.922	67.322	+3,9	3,9	3,8	161.497	153.957	+4,9
SEAT	2,2	2,3	39.725	38.820	+2,3	2,4	2,3	100.513	93.386	+7,6
SKODA	2,5	2,3	44.188	39.734	+11,2	2,5	2,4	104.447	94.632	+10,4
Others	0,0	0,0	513	474	+8,2	0,0	0,0	1.118	1.108	+0,9
<b>PSA Group</b>	<b>12,7</b>	<b>13,1</b>	<b>227.470</b>	<b>225.417</b>	<b>+0,9</b>	<b>13,7</b>	<b>14,1</b>	<b>564.171</b>	<b>564.199</b>	<b>-0,0</b>
PEUGEOT	7,0	7,3	125.731	126.173	-0,4	7,4	7,7	306.038	306.393	-0,1
CITROEN	5,7	5,8	101.739	99.244	+2,5	6,2	6,4	258.133	257.806	+0,1
<b>FORD Group</b>	<b>11,8</b>	<b>12,5</b>	<b>211.195</b>	<b>214.027</b>	<b>-1,3</b>	<b>11,0</b>	<b>11,4</b>	<b>456.621</b>	<b>458.207</b>	<b>-0,3</b>
FORD	9,1	9,5	162.562	162.951	-0,2	8,6	8,8	354.525	354.244	+0,1
VOLVO	1,6	1,7	28.730	28.411	+1,1	1,6	1,7	65.190	69.960	-6,8
LAND ROVER	0,7	0,6	12.817	10.627	+20,6	0,6	0,5	24.868	20.970	+18,6
JAGUAR	0,4	0,7	7.086	12.038	-41,1	0,3	0,3	12.038	13.033	-7,6
<b>GM Group</b>	<b>11,2</b>	<b>11,5</b>	<b>200.311</b>	<b>197.010</b>	<b>+1,7</b>	<b>10,4</b>	<b>10,8</b>	<b>430.854</b>	<b>431.709</b>	<b>-0,2</b>
OPEL/VAUXHALL	9,4	9,9	168.542	169.556	-0,6	8,7	9,2	359.679	368.929	-2,5
CHEVROLET	1,1	1,0	19.551	17.607	+11,0	1,1	1,1	45.354	42.471	+6,8
SAAB	0,7	0,5	11.767	9.406	+25,1	0,6	0,5	24.350	19.066	+27,7
GM (US)	0,0	0,0	451	441	+2,3	0,0	0,0	1.471	1.243	+18,3
<b>RENAULT Group</b>	<b>8,5</b>	<b>9,2</b>	<b>151.150</b>	<b>158.820</b>	<b>-4,8</b>	<b>8,8</b>	<b>10,0</b>	<b>362.833</b>	<b>399.626</b>	<b>-9,2</b>
RENAULT	8,2	9,2	146.903	157.694	-6,8	8,5	9,9	351.953	397.221	-11,4
DACIA	0,2	0,1	4.247	1.126	++	0,3	0,1	10.880	2.405	++
<b>FIAT Group</b>	<b>7,1</b>	<b>6,2</b>	<b>127.074</b>	<b>106.274</b>	<b>+19,6</b>	<b>7,9</b>	<b>7,0</b>	<b>327.688</b>	<b>280.796</b>	<b>+16,7</b>
FIAT	5,5	4,5	98.340	76.633	+28,3	6,1	5,1	251.143	203.177	+23,6
LANCIA	0,7	0,8	12.876	13.665	-5,8	0,9	0,9	35.428	36.564	-3,1
ALFA ROMEO	0,9	0,9	15.491	15.324	+1,1	1,0	1,0	39.972	39.454	+1,3
OTHERS	0,0	0,0	367	652	-43,7	0,0	0,0	1.145	1.601	-28,5
<b>TOYOTA Group</b>	<b>5,7</b>	<b>5,5</b>	<b>101.774</b>	<b>94.853</b>	<b>+7,3</b>	<b>5,6</b>	<b>5,6</b>	<b>229.705</b>	<b>225.666</b>	<b>+1,8</b>
TOYOTA	5,4	5,4	96.639	92.081	+4,9	5,3	5,5	219.201	220.684	-0,7
LEXUS	0,3	0,2	5.135	2.772	+85,2	0,3	0,1	10.504	4.982	+110,8
<b>DaimlerChrysler</b>	<b>5,6</b>	<b>5,3</b>	<b>100.411</b>	<b>91.682</b>	<b>+9,5</b>	<b>5,6</b>	<b>5,5</b>	<b>230.708</b>	<b>220.438</b>	<b>+4,7</b>
MERCEDES	4,4	4,0	78.940	69.017	+14,4	4,3	4,1	179.528	164.711	+9,0
SMART	0,6	0,8	11.120	14.546	-23,6	0,7	0,9	26.991	35.688	-24,4
CHRYSLER	0,6	0,5	10.351	8.119	+27,5	0,6	0,5	24.189	20.039	+20,7
<b>BMW Group</b>	<b>5,4</b>	<b>5,1</b>	<b>95.867</b>	<b>87.088</b>	<b>+10,1</b>	<b>4,9</b>	<b>4,8</b>	<b>204.160</b>	<b>190.842</b>	<b>+7,0</b>
BMW	4,5	4,2	80.119	71.473	+12,1	4,2	4,0	174.868	158.456	+10,4
MINI	0,9	0,9	15.748	15.615	+0,9	0,7	0,8	29.292	32.386	-9,6
<b>NISSAN</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>2,6</b>	<b>36.898</b>	<b>44.775</b>	<b>-17,6</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>2,4</b>	<b>82.668</b>	<b>96.628</b>	<b>-14,4</b>
<b>HYUNDAI</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>34.350</b>	<b>34.390</b>	<b>-0,1</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>82.520</b>	<b>81.439</b>	<b>+1,3</b>
<b>MAZDA</b>	<b>2,0</b>	<b>1,8</b>	<b>36.249</b>	<b>31.279</b>	<b>+15,9</b>	<b>1,9</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>76.539</b>	<b>68.687</b>	<b>+11,4</b>
<b>HONDA</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>2,1</b>	<b>37.036</b>	<b>36.718</b>	<b>+0,9</b>	<b>1,8</b>	<b>1,8</b>	<b>73.775</b>	<b>72.080</b>	<b>+2,4</b>
<b>SUZUKI</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>28.982</b>	<b>24.311</b>	<b>+19,2</b>	<b>1,7</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>71.677</b>	<b>54.903</b>	<b>+30,6</b>
<b>KIA</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>24.654</b>	<b>24.532</b>	<b>+0,5</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,3</b>	<b>57.322</b>	<b>53.957</b>	<b>+6,2</b>
<b>mitsubishi</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>17.213</b>	<b>17.739</b>	<b>-3,0</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>37.766</b>	<b>37.811</b>	<b>-0,1</b>
<b>MG ROVER Group</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>0,9</b>	<b>1.459</b>	<b>15.820</b>	<b>-90,8</b>	<b>0,1</b>	<b>0,7</b>	<b>3.680</b>	<b>28.936</b>	<b>-87,3</b>
<b>OTHERS</b>	<b>1,6</b>	<b>0,8</b>	<b>27.871</b>	<b>14.029</b>	<b>+98,7</b>	<b>1,4</b>	<b>1,0</b>	<b>56.268</b>	<b>40.303</b>	<b>+39,6</b>

VW Group: VW 'others' include Bentley and Lamborghini

FORD Group: Ford includes Ford(US)

FIAT Group: FIAT 'others' include Ferrari & Maserati

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