CAR PRODUCTION

- More than 8 out of 10 passenger cars made in the United Kingdom are exported.
- Less than 4 out of 10 passenger cars (38.3%) made in the 27 other EU member states (EU27) are exported.

### UK passenger car output

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<td>Total production</td>
<td>1,519,440</td>
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<td>Domestic market</td>
<td>281,832</td>
<td>18.5%</td>
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<td>For export</td>
<td>1,237,608</td>
<td>81.5%</td>
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### EU27 passenger car output

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<td>Total production</td>
<td>14,631,382</td>
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<td>Domestic market</td>
<td>9,032,086</td>
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<td>For export</td>
<td>5,599,296</td>
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EU-UK TRADE

**Passenger cars**

- 1.8 million new passenger cars were exported from the EU27 to the United Kingdom in 2018, representing:
  - 85% of total UK car imports
  - 32% of total EU27 car exports

- 671,583 UK-assembled passenger cars headed to the EU27 in 2018, accounting for:
  - 20% of total EU27 car imports
  - 51% of total UK car exports

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1. SMMT
2. IHS, EUROSTAT
3. EUROSTAT; new passenger cars only
EU27 total car exports
- Value: €135.3 billion
  - To Brexit = 24.6%
- Quantity: 5,599,296 units
  - To Brexit = 32.4%

UK total car exports
- Value: €34.1 billion
  - To EU = 37.0%
- Quantity: 1,325,868 units
  - To EU = 50.7%

EU27 total car imports
- Value: €53.5 billion
  - From UK = 23.5%
- Quantity: 3,811,380 units
  - From UK = 20.1%

UK total car imports
- Value: €35.8 billion
  - From EU = 88.9%
- Quantity: 2,148,719 units
  - From EU = 84.9%

Parts and accessories (automotive components)\(^4\)
- 80% of UK-imported automotive components came from the EU27 last year.
  - Representing 16% of the export value of EU27 car parts and accessories.
- 60% of UK-built parts and accessories were exported to the EU27 in 2018.
  - Accounting for 18% of the total value of EU27 component imports.

EU27 total component exports
- Value: €64.1 billion
  - To Brexit = 16.3%

UK total component exports
- Value: €9.2 billion
  - To EU = 60.0%

EU27 total component imports
- Value: €27.2 billion
  - From Brexit = 18.2%

UK total component imports
- Value: €15.6 billion
  - From EU = 79.7%

\(^4\) EUROSTAT; including engines
AUTOMOTIVE TRADE BETWEEN THE UNITED KINGDOM AND ITS MAIN EU PARTNERS

- 81.5% of the UK’s car production is exported, of which 51% goes to EU member states (Belgium, Germany and Spain together represent more than 25%).
- The other way around, the EU countries represent 85% of the UK’s passenger car import volume, worth almost €36 billion.

The graphic below provides an overview of automotive trade between the United Kingdom and its main EU partners (Germany, Belgium, Spain, France, Poland, Italy and the Netherlands) in 2018, covering exports and imports of new passenger cars and automotive components (including engines, parts and accessories).

Import and export of cars and components (in billion €, 2018)⁶

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⁶ EUROSTAT
PASSENGER CAR REGISTRATIONS

- The United Kingdom is the second biggest market for passenger cars in the EU.

**Top 5 – EU car registrations**

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<td>3,435,778</td>
<td>3,441,262</td>
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<td>2) United Kingdom</td>
<td>2,367,147</td>
<td>2,540,617</td>
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<td>3) France</td>
<td>2,173,481</td>
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<td>4) Italy</td>
<td>1,910,025</td>
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<td>5) Spain</td>
<td>1,321,438</td>
<td>1,234,932</td>
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<td>European Union</td>
<td>15,158,874</td>
<td>15,136,590</td>
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EMPLOYMENT

**European Union**

Automobile manufacturers currently operate more than **300 assembly and production plants** across the European continent.

Some **13.3 million people**, or 6.1% of the EU employed population, work in the automotive sector. The sector contributes 6.8% to the EU’s GDP.

**United Kingdom**

The UK is home to over **30 production facilities**, producing both engines and whole vehicles, as well as many more suppliers to the auto industry.

In total, the automotive industry employs some **856,000 people** across the United Kingdom. The sector adds £20.2 billion in value to the UK economy.

The **3.4 million** (direct and indirect) jobs in automotive manufacturing represent **11.3%** of EU manufacturing employment.

At least **10%** of people employed in the UK automotive manufacturing sector are from elsewhere in the EU.

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7 ACEA  
8 EUROSTAT  
9 SMMT