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Light truck sales up 12.2% in August

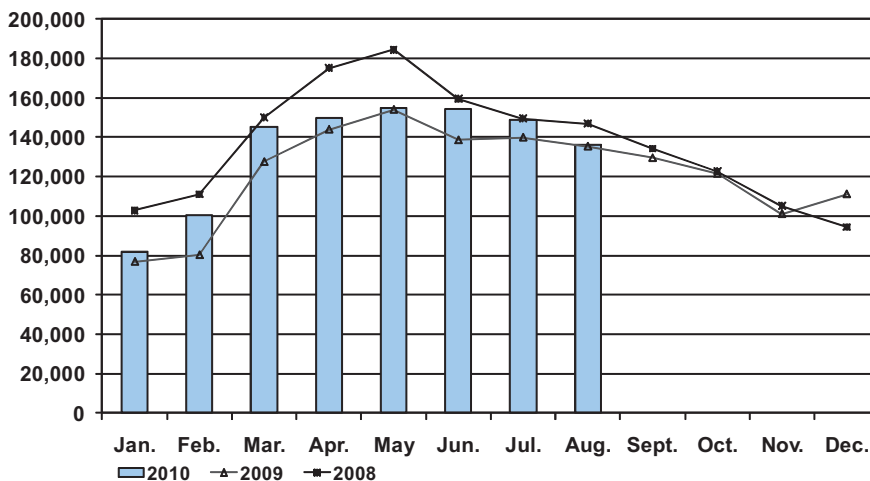
Light vehicle sales in August remained at par versus last year as 136,069 units were delivered, up from 135,351 units a year ago. A 12.2% upswing in light truck volume offset a 10.9% fallback in passenger car sales. Light truck volume reached 75,131 units, an 8,163 unit improvement compared to last year. Passenger car sales dropped 7,445 units compared to August 2009 as 60,938 units were sold. Year-to-date sales have grown 7.5% versus last year with 1.1 million light vehicles purchased thus far.

Impressive year-over-year gains were posted by Land Rover (+55.2%), Audi (+30.1%), and Infiniti (+29.1%). Both Audi and Infiniti posted strong sales growth in light truck volume as sales increased 53.3% and 52.4% respectively. Year-to-date sales remain well above last year's pace for all three of the automakers listed above.

Double-digit gains were posted by Subaru (+20.0%), Kia (+16.2%), Mercedes-Benz (+13.2%), Chrysler (+11.7%), and Porsche (+11.7%). Subaru was the only manufacturer of this group to confirm double-digit growth in both

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Light Vehicle Sales in Canada 2010 vs. 2009 vs. 2008



Source: DesRosiers Automotive Consultants Inc, CVMA and AIAMC

Canadian Passenger Car and Light Truck Sales - August 2010

Table 1: Canadian Light Vehicle Sales

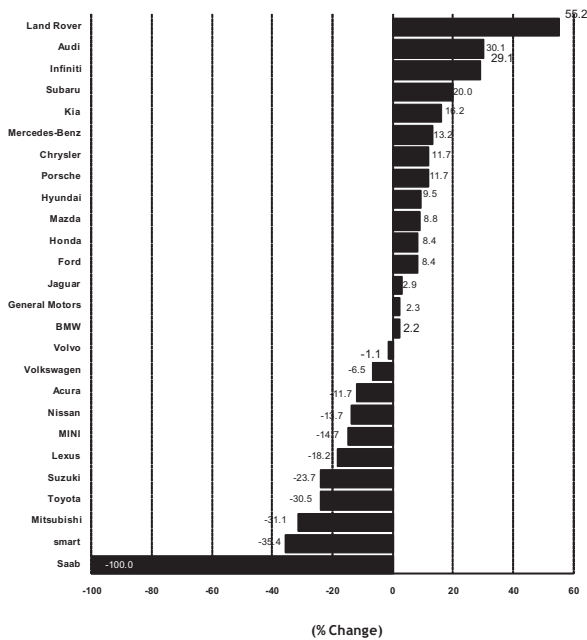
	August 2010	August 2009	Percent Change	YTD 2010	YTD 2009	Percent Change	Market Share 2010	Market Share 2009	Point Change
Acura	1,451	1,644	-11.7%	10,930	11,408	-4.2%	1.0%	1.1%	-0.1
Passenger Car	561	919	-39.0%	4,443	5,668	-21.6%	0.4%	0.6%	-0.2
Light Truck	890	725	22.8%	6,487	5,740	13.0%	0.6%	0.6%	0.0
Audi	1,376	1,058	30.1%	10,000	7,312	36.8%	0.9%	0.7%	0.2
Passenger Car	884	737	19.9%	7,021	5,482	28.1%	0.7%	0.6%	0.1
Light Truck	492	321	53.3%	2,979	1,830	62.8%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1
BMW	2,342	2,292	2.2%	17,413	16,081	8.3%	1.6%	1.6%	0.0
Passenger Car	1,724	1,758	-1.9%	12,021	12,386	-2.9%	1.1%	1.2%	-0.1
Light Truck	618	534	15.7%	5,392	3,695	45.9%	0.5%	0.4%	0.1
Chrysler	16,076	14,393	11.7%	143,440	107,219	33.8%	13.4%	10.8%	2.6
Passenger Car	1,133	2,713	-58.2%	21,509	23,226	-7.4%	2.0%	2.3%	-0.3
Light Truck	14,943	11,680	27.9%	121,931	83,993	45.2%	11.4%	8.4%	3.0
Ford	24,029	22,166	8.4%	183,920	156,735	17.3%	17.2%	15.7%	1.4
Passenger Car	5,858	4,926	18.9%	43,171	35,900	20.3%	4.0%	3.6%	0.4
Light Truck	18,171	17,240	5.4%	140,749	120,835	16.5%	13.1%	12.1%	1.0
General Motors	23,536	23,018	2.3%	170,576	175,769	-3.0%	15.9%	17.6%	-1.7
Passenger Car	8,207	8,510	-3.6%	58,538	69,965	-16.3%	5.5%	7.0%	-1.6
Light Truck	15,329	14,508	5.7%	112,038	105,804	5.9%	10.5%	10.6%	-0.2
Honda	11,463	10,574	8.4%	79,870	83,637	-4.5%	7.5%	8.4%	-0.9
Passenger Car	6,903	7,402	-6.7%	49,850	59,278	-15.9%	4.7%	5.9%	-1.3
Light Truck	4,560	3,172	43.8%	30,020	24,359	23.2%	2.8%	2.4%	0.4
Hyundai	11,403	10,418	9.5%	85,120	73,360	16.0%	7.9%	7.4%	0.6
Passenger Car	7,643	7,058	8.3%	56,216	51,088	10.0%	5.2%	5.1%	0.1
Light Truck	3,760	3,360	11.9%	28,904	22,272	29.8%	2.7%	2.2%	0.5
Infiniti	780	604	29.1%	5,496	4,647	18.3%	0.5%	0.5%	0.0
Passenger Car	425	371	14.6%	3,385	2,761	22.6%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0
Light Truck	355	233	52.4%	2,111	1,886	11.9%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0
Jaguar	70	68	2.9%	546	567	-3.7%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0
Kia	5,430	4,672	16.2%	37,588	31,891	17.9%	3.5%	3.2%	0.3
Passenger Car	4,050	3,915	3.4%	28,059	25,191	11.4%	2.6%	2.5%	0.1
Light Truck	1,380	757	82.3%	9,529	6,700	42.2%	0.9%	0.7%	0.2
Land Rover	208	134	55.2%	1,661	1,164	42.7%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0
Lexus	1,253	1,532	-18.2%	9,829	10,320	-4.8%	0.9%	1.0%	-0.1
Passenger Car	534	600	-11.0%	4,317	4,316	0.0%	0.4%	0.4%	0.0
Light Truck	719	932	-22.9%	5,512	6,004	-8.2%	0.5%	0.6%	-0.1
Mazda	7,486	6,880	8.8%	55,613	52,162	6.6%	5.2%	5.2%	0.0
Passenger Car	6,425	5,978	7.5%	46,459	44,615	4.1%	4.3%	4.5%	-0.1
Light Truck	1,061	902	17.6%	9,154	7,547	21.3%	0.9%	0.8%	0.1
Mercedes-Benz	2,254	1,992	13.2%	19,253	15,939	20.8%	1.8%	1.6%	0.2
Passenger Car	1,200	1,322	-9.2%	11,128	9,831	13.2%	1.0%	1.0%	0.1
Light Truck	1,054	670	57.3%	8,125	6,108	33.0%	0.8%	0.6%	0.1
MINI	390	457	-14.7%	2,883	2,888	-0.2%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0
Mitsubishi	1,282	1,860	-31.1%	12,793	13,816	-7.4%	1.2%	1.4%	-0.2
Passenger Car	657	993	-33.8%	7,252	7,680	-5.6%	0.7%	0.8%	-0.1
Light Truck	625	867	-27.9%	5,541	6,136	-9.7%	0.5%	0.6%	-0.1
Nissan	6,102	7,071	-13.7%	51,220	50,029	2.4%	4.8%	5.0%	-0.2
Passenger Car	3,592	4,848	-25.9%	35,391	35,722	-0.9%	3.3%	3.6%	-0.3
Light Truck	2,510	2,223	12.9%	15,829	14,307	10.6%	1.5%	1.4%	0.0
Porsche	134	120	11.7%	1,354	1,206	12.3%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0
Passenger Car	68	58	17.2%	914	713	28.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0
Light Truck	66	62	6.5%	440	493	-10.8%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0
Saab	-	36	-100.0%	-	599	-100.0%	0.0%	0.1%	-0.1
Passenger Car	-	32	-100.0%	-	549	-100.0%	0.0%	0.1%	-0.1
Light Truck	-	4	n.a.	-	50	-100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0
smart	173	268	-35.4%	1,472	1,732	-15.0%	0.1%	0.2%	0.0
Subaru	2,328	1,940	20.0%	18,012	13,844	30.1%	1.7%	1.4%	0.3
Passenger Car	1,069	879	21.6%	7,679	7,492	2.5%	0.7%	0.8%	0.0
Light Truck	1,259	1,061	18.7%	10,333	6,352	62.7%	1.0%	0.6%	0.3
Suzuki	1,004	1,315	-23.7%	6,281	8,196	-23.4%	0.6%	0.8%	-0.2
Passenger Car	614	1,007	-39.0%	4,254	5,376	-20.9%	0.4%	0.5%	-0.1
Light Truck	390	308	26.6%	2,027	2,820	-28.1%	0.2%	0.3%	-0.1
Toyota	11,609	16,707	-30.5%	111,187	124,593	-10.8%	10.4%	12.5%	-2.1
Passenger Car	5,869	10,450	-43.8%	63,324	80,386	-21.2%	5.9%	8.1%	-2.2
Light Truck	5,740	6,257	-8.3%	47,863	44,207	8.3%	4.5%	4.4%	0.0
Volkswagen	3,369	3,605	-6.5%	30,135	26,611	13.2%	2.8%	2.7%	0.1
Passenger Car	2,726	2,912	-6.4%	24,816	21,775	14.0%	2.3%	2.2%	0.1
Light Truck	643	693	-7.2%	5,319	4,836	10.0%	0.5%	0.5%	0.0
Volvo	521	527	-1.1%	4,635	4,545	2.0%	0.4%	0.5%	0.0
Passenger Car	163	202	-19.3%	1,971	1,846	6.8%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0
Light Truck	358	325	10.2%	2,664	2,699	-1.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.0
Passenger Car Total	60,938	68,383	-10.9%	496,619	516,433	-3.8%	46.4%	51.8%	-5.5
Light Truck Total	75,131	66,968	12.2%	574,608	479,837	19.8%	53.6%	48.2%	5.5
Total Light Vehicle Sales	136,069	135,351	0.5%	1,071,227	996,270	7.5%	100.0%	100.0%	

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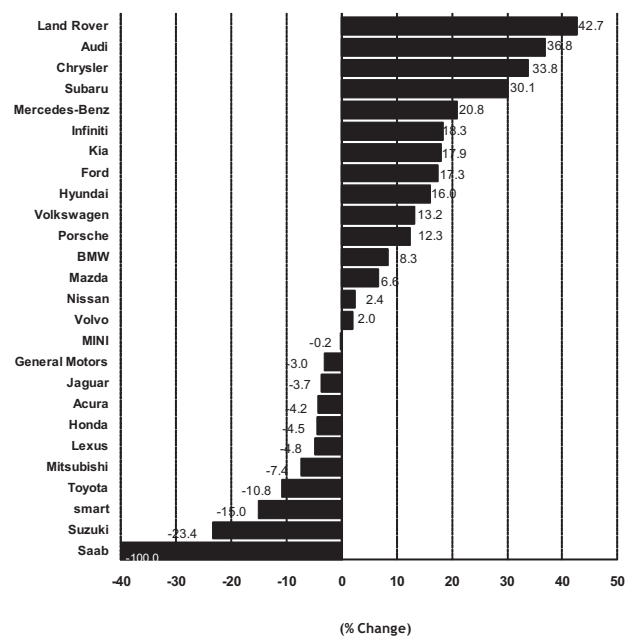
Canadian Passenger Car and Light Truck Sales - August 2010

**Total Canadian Light Vehicle Sales
% Change August 2010 vs. August 2009**



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**Total Canadian Light Vehicle Sales
% Change 2010 YTD vs. 2009 YTD**



passenger car (+21.6%) and light truck (+18.7%) sales. An 82.3% upturn in light truck sales was evident at Kia as volume reached 1,380 units. Porsche recently announced that global sales of the Porsche Panamera reached 22,500 units in its first full year of production. The low-volume sports car maker stated that the Panamera 4S was the top selling model followed by the the Turbo and the Panamera S. All five automakers posted double-digit sales growth in cumulative sales between January and August.

Hyundai (+9.5%), Mazda (+8.8%), Honda (+8.4%), and Ford (+8.4%) all secured year-over-year growth in August sales. Honda was the only manufacturer listed above not witness

enhanced sales of both light trucks (+43.8%) and passenger cars (-6.7%).

Modest growth in August sales was evident at Jaguar (+2.9%), General Motors (+2.3%), and BMW (+2.2%). BMW posted a 15.7% improvement in light truck sales as volume grew from 534 units a year ago to 618 units. Year-to-date sales were up for BMW (+8.3%) while General Motors (-3.0%) and Jaguar (-3.7%) suffered a fallback in volume.

A decline in August sales was evident at Volvo (-1.1%), Volkswagen (-6.5%), and Acura (-11.7%). Both Acura (+22.8%) and Volvo (+10.2%) witnessed an upturn in light truck sales. Volkswagen (+13.2%) was the only automaker listed above to confirm heightened year-to-date sales.

A fallback in August sales occurred at Nissan (-13.7%), MINI (-14.7%), and Lexus (-18.2%). Nissan could not offset a 25.9% slide in passenger car sales with a 12.9% gain in light truck volume. Year-to-date sales were up for only Nissan (+2.4%).

Suzuki (-23.7%), Toyota (-30.5%), Mitsubishi (-31.1%), smart (-35.4%), and Saab (-100.0%) suffered the largest drop-offs in August sales. Suzuki reported a 26.6% rise in light truck volume. Both Toyota and Mitsubishi suffered fallbacks in sales of both passenger cars and light trucks. Fewer light vehicles have been sold between January and August by all five automakers versus last year. **DAR**

U.S. Passenger Car and Light Truck Sales - August 2010

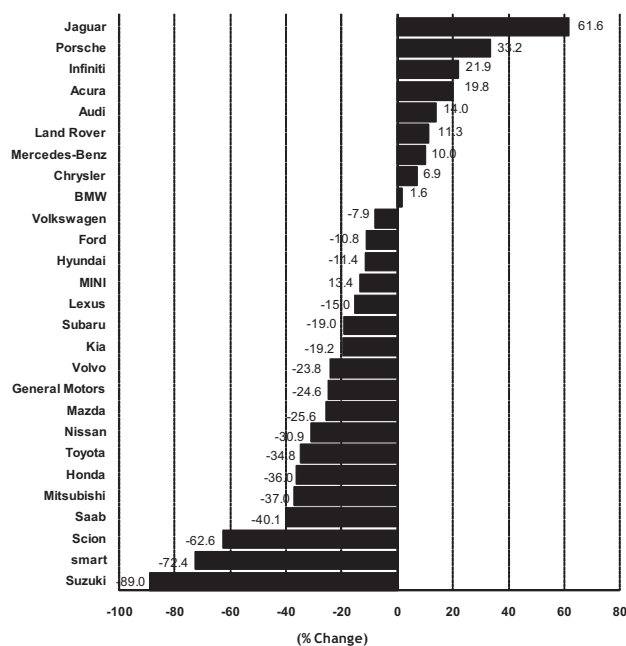
Table 3: U.S. Light Vehicle Sales

	August 2010	August 2009	Percent Change	YTD 2010	YTD 2009	Percent Change	Market Share 2010	Market Share 2009	Point Change
Acura	11,534	9,625	19.8%	85,668	69,369	23.5%	1.1%	1.0%	0.1
Passenger Car	5,494	6,077	-9.6%	44,611	44,386	0.5%	0.6%	0.6%	0.0
Light Truck	6,040	3,548	70.2%	41,057	24,983	64.3%	0.5%	0.4%	0.2
Audi	9,182	8,057	14.0%	64,837	52,309	23.9%	0.9%	0.7%	0.1
Passenger Car	5,947	6,167	-3.6%	46,580	39,380	18.3%	0.6%	0.6%	0.1
Light Truck	3,235	1,890	71.2%	18,257	12,929	41.2%	0.2%	0.2%	0.1
BMW	19,540	19,232	1.6%	139,236	129,176	7.8%	1.8%	1.8%	0.0
Passenger Car	15,422	15,923	-3.1%	108,985	104,770	4.0%	1.4%	1.5%	-0.1
Light Truck	4,118	3,309	24.4%	30,251	24,406	23.9%	0.4%	0.3%	0.1
Chrysler	98,991	92,619	6.9%	716,744	650,496	10.2%	9.4%	9.2%	0.2
Passenger Car	27,341	22,638	20.8%	206,919	152,061	36.1%	2.7%	2.2%	0.6
Light Truck	71,650	69,981	2.4%	509,825	498,435	2.3%	6.7%	7.1%	-0.4
Ford	155,053	173,818	-10.8%	1,261,344	1,064,455	18.5%	16.5%	15.1%	1.5
Passenger Car	56,487	65,654	-14.0%	470,044	407,882	15.2%	6.2%	5.8%	0.4
Light Truck	98,566	108,164	-9.9%	791,300	656,573	20.5%	10.4%	9.3%	1.1
General Motors	184,823	245,091	-24.6%	1,461,581	1,375,139	6.3%	19.2%	19.5%	-0.3
Passenger Car	68,469	118,340	-42.1%	566,751	599,912	-5.5%	7.4%	8.5%	-1.1
Light Truck	116,354	126,751	-8.2%	894,830	775,227	15.4%	11.7%	11.0%	0.8
Honda	97,195	151,814	-36.0%	729,407	737,538	-1.1%	9.6%	10.4%	-0.9
Passenger Car	54,400	100,895	-46.1%	423,916	459,272	-7.7%	5.6%	6.5%	-0.9
Light Truck	42,795	50,919	-16.0%	305,491	278,266	9.8%	4.0%	3.9%	0.1
Hyundai	53,603	60,467	-11.4%	363,491	310,706	17.0%	4.8%	4.4%	0.4
Passenger Car	43,654	46,284	-5.7%	274,555	236,935	15.9%	3.6%	3.4%	0.2
Light Truck	9,949	14,183	-29.9%	88,936	73,771	20.6%	1.2%	1.0%	0.1
Infiniti	9,428	7,732	21.9%	66,492	53,276	24.8%	0.9%	0.8%	0.1
Passenger Car	6,677	5,521	20.9%	47,813	37,012	29.2%	0.6%	0.5%	0.1
Light Truck	2,751	2,211	24.4%	18,679	16,264	14.8%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0
Isuzu	-	-	n.a.	-	165	-100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0
Jaguar	1,414	875	61.6%	8,781	7,794	12.7%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0
Kia	32,465	40,198	-19.2%	235,142	216,947	8.4%	3.1%	3.1%	0.0
Passenger Car	17,204	29,181	-41.0%	129,691	135,811	-4.5%	1.7%	1.9%	-0.2
Light Truck	15,261	11,017	38.5%	105,451	81,136	30.0%	1.4%	1.1%	0.2
Land Rover	2,544	2,285	11.3%	19,800	16,159	22.5%	0.3%	0.2%	0.0
Lexus	19,465	22,892	-15.0%	145,490	131,469	10.7%	1.9%	1.9%	0.0
Passenger Car	9,353	12,610	-25.8%	72,290	67,456	7.2%	0.9%	1.0%	0.0
Light Truck	10,112	10,282	-1.7%	73,200	64,013	14.4%	1.0%	0.9%	0.1
Mazda	19,739	26,542	-25.6%	147,578	145,955	1.1%	1.9%	2.1%	-0.1
Passenger Car	14,107	20,772	-32.1%	108,534	114,726	-5.4%	1.4%	1.6%	-0.2
Light Truck	5,632	5,770	-2.4%	39,044	31,229	25.0%	0.5%	0.4%	0.1
Mercedes-Benz	18,826	17,112	10.0%	143,841	118,428	21.5%	1.9%	1.7%	0.2
Passenger Car	13,327	11,019	20.9%	94,019	77,688	21.0%	1.2%	1.1%	0.1
Light Truck	5,499	6,093	-9.7%	49,822	40,740	22.3%	0.7%	0.6%	0.1
MINI	4,425	5,111	-13.4%	29,704	30,868	-3.8%	0.4%	0.4%	0.0
Mitsubishi	4,293	6,813	-37.0%	36,431	38,127	-4.4%	0.5%	0.5%	-0.1
Passenger Car	3,062	4,196	-27.0%	25,275	26,056	-3.0%	0.3%	0.4%	0.0
Light Truck	1,231	2,617	-53.0%	11,156	12,071	-7.6%	0.1%	0.2%	0.0
Nissan	67,399	97,580	-30.9%	533,004	471,627	13.0%	7.0%	6.7%	0.3
Passenger Car	41,241	72,645	-43.2%	351,355	317,545	10.6%	4.6%	4.5%	0.1
Light Truck	26,158	24,935	4.9%	181,649	154,082	17.9%	2.4%	2.2%	0.2
Porsche	2,032	1,526	33.2%	15,718	12,729	23.5%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0
Passenger Car	1,257	1,017	23.6%	11,428	7,340	55.7%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0
Light Truck	775	509	52.3%	4,290	5,389	-20.4%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0
Saab	290	484	-40.1%	2,106	6,444	-67.3%	0.0%	0.1%	-0.1
Passenger Car	290	404	-28.2%	2,013	4,738	-57.5%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0
Light Truck	-	80	-100.0%	93	1,706	-94.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0
Scion	4,012	10,727	-62.6%	29,672	43,565	-31.9%	0.4%	0.6%	-0.2
smart	448	1,622	-72.4%	4,357	11,607	-62.5%	0.1%	0.2%	-0.1
Subaru	23,239	28,683	-19.0%	173,182	162,755	6.4%	2.3%	2.3%	0.0
Passenger Car	7,766	16,016	-51.5%	55,543	83,285	-33.3%	0.7%	1.2%	-0.4
Light Truck	15,473	12,667	22.2%	117,639	79,470	48.0%	1.5%	1.1%	0.4
Suzuki	630	5,749	-89.0%	14,131	31,634	-55.3%	0.2%	0.4%	-0.3
Passenger Car	133	3,563	-96.3%	9,789	19,791	-50.5%	0.1%	0.3%	-0.2
Light Truck	497	2,186	-77.3%	4,342	11,843	-63.3%	0.1%	0.2%	-0.1
Toyota	124,911	191,469	-34.8%	988,992	995,375	-0.6%	13.0%	14.1%	-1.1
Passenger Car	68,255	123,367	-44.7%	547,886	593,538	-7.7%	7.2%	8.4%	-1.2
Light Truck	56,656	68,102	-16.8%	441,106	401,837	9.8%	5.8%	5.7%	0.1
Volkswagen	22,855	24,823	-7.9%	172,747	142,421	21.3%	2.3%	2.0%	0.3
Passenger Car	19,455	20,486	-5.0%	144,947	119,061	21.7%	1.9%	1.7%	0.2
Light Truck	3,400	4,337	-21.6%	27,800	23,360	19.0%	0.4%	0.3%	0.0
Volvo	4,441	5,826	-23.8%	36,966	42,013	-12.0%	0.5%	0.6%	-0.1
Passenger Car	1,901	3,551	-46.5%	18,633	26,300	-29.2%	0.2%	0.4%	-0.1
Light Truck	2,540	2,275	11.6%	18,333	15,713	16.7%	0.2%	0.2%	0.0
Passenger Car Total	491,541	724,661	-32.2%	3,834,091	3,768,779	1.7%	50.3%	53.3%	-3.0
Light Truck Total	501,236	534,111	-6.2%	3,792,351	3,299,767	14.9%	49.7%	46.7%	3.0
Total Light Vehicle Sales	992,777	1,258,772	-21.1%	7,626,442	7,068,546	7.9%	100.0%	100.0%	

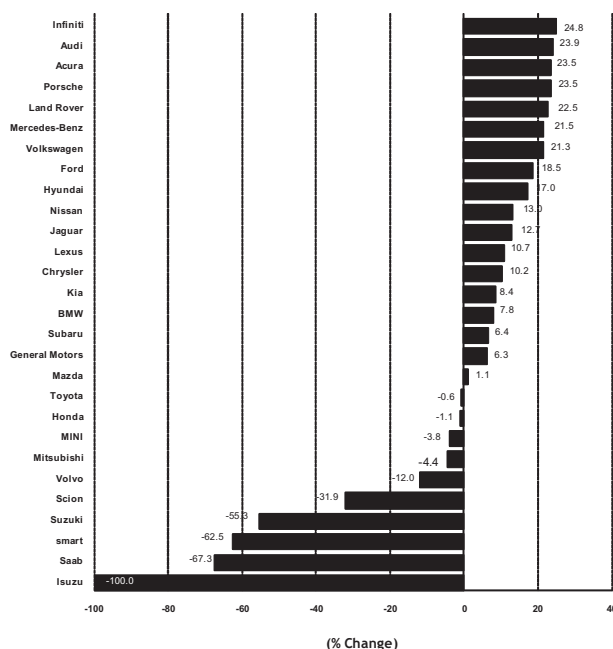
Source: DesRosiers Automotive Consultants Inc. and Ward's Automotive Reports

U.S. Passenger Car and Light Truck Sales - August 2010

**Total U.S. Light Vehicle Sales
% Change August 2010 vs. August 2009**



**Total U.S. Light Vehicle Sales
% Change 2010 YTD vs. 2009 YTD**



U.S. light vehicle sales plunge 21.1% in August

Light vehicle sales in the U.S. dropped 21.1% compared to last August when sales were fuelled by the Cash-for-Clunkers rebate. A total of 501,236 light trucks were delivered, a modest 6.2% decline compared to August 2009. Passenger car sales witnessed a 32.2% downturn with 491,541 units purchased. Despite the deep fall in August sales, year-to-date sales volume is up 7.9% with 7.6 million units sold thus far.

Automakers securing August sales growth above the industry total included Jaguar (+61.6%), Porsche (+33.2%), and Infiniti (+21.9%). All three manufacturers mentioned above confirmed double-digit growth in year-to-date sales.

Acura (+19.8%), Audi (+14.0%), Land Rover (+11.3%), and Mercedes-Benz (+10.0%) all achieved heightened sales growth in August. Upswings in light truck sales at Audi (+71.2%) and Acura (+70.2%) offset passenger car sales reductions at both companies. Year-to-date sales remain positive for all the automakers listed above.

Chrysler reported a modest 6.9% rise in August sales while volume at BMW (+1.6%) remained at relative par. Sales of the BMW X3 crossover shot up 33.1%. Year-over-year cumulative sales between January and August were 10.2% higher at Chrysler and up 7.8% at BMW.

Volkswagen (-7.9%), Ford (-10.8%), Hyundai (-11.4%), MINI (-13.4%), Lexus (-15.0%), Subaru (-19.0%), and Kia (-19.2%) all suffered fallbacks in

August sales. MINI (-3.8%) was the only manufacturer mentioned above to report a decline year-to-date sales thus far.

Deep downturns in August sales were evident at Volvo (-23.8%), General Motors (-24.6%), Mazda (-25.6%), Nissan (-30.9%), Toyota (-34.8%), Honda (-36.0%), and Mitsubishi (-37.0%). A rise in year-to-date sales occurred at Nissan (+13.0%), General Motors (+6.3%), and Mazda (+1.1%) while sales dropped at Toyota (-0.6%), Honda (-1.1%), and Volvo (-12.0%).

Saab (-40.1%), Scion (-62.6%), smart (-72.4%), and Suzuki (-89.0%) all witnessed a collapse in August sales. All four automakers have reported significant fallbacks in year to date sales thus far. **DAR**

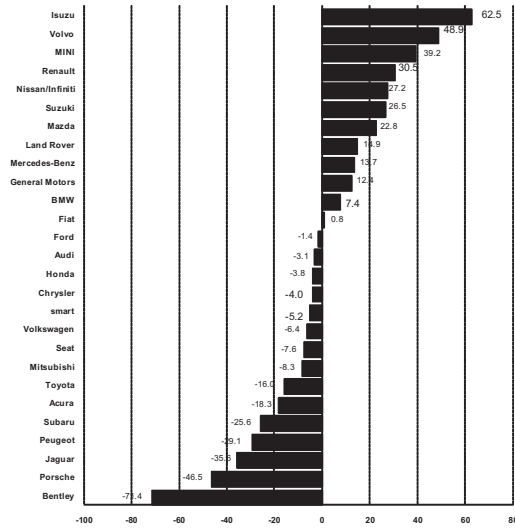
Mexican Sales - 1H 2010

Mexican vehicle sales grew 5.6% at the end of the first half of 2010 as volume increased from 351,359 units a year ago to 371,065 units.

Double-digit year-over-year gains were posted by Isuzu (+62.5%), Volvo (+48.9%), MINI (+39.2%), Renault (+30.5%), Nissan/Infiniti (+27.2%), Suzuki (+26.5%), Mazda (+22.8%), Land Rover (+14.9%), Mercedes-Benz (+13.7%), and General Motors (+12.4%). A modest gain of 7.4% was evident at BMW while sales remained at par at Fiat (+0.8%).

A downturn in first have sales occurred at Ford (-1.4%), Audi (-3.1%), Honda (-3.8%), Chrysler (-4.0%), smart (-5.2%), Volkswagen (-6.4%), Seat (-7.6%), and Mitsubishi (-8.3%). The deepest fallbacks were felt by Toyota (-16.0%), Acura (-18.3%), Suabru (-25.6%), Peugeot (-29.1%), Jaguar (-35.6%), Porsche (-46.5%), and Bentley (-71.4%).

Mexican Vehicle Sales
% Change 1H 2010 vs. 1H 2009



16.0%), Acura (-18.3%), Suabru (-25.6%), Peugeot (-29.1%), Jaguar (-35.6%), Porsche (-46.5%), and Bentley (-71.4%). **DAR**

Mexican Vehicle Sales - 1H 2010 vs. 1H 2009

	2Q 2010	2Q 2009	Percent Change	1H 2010	1H 2009	Percent Change	Mkt. Shr. 2010	Mkt. Shr. 2009	Change
Acura	469	481	-2.5%	841	1,030	-18.3%	0.2%	0.3%	-0.1
Audi	1,272	1,334	-4.6%	2,449	2,527	-3.1%	0.7%	0.7%	-0.1
Bentley	1	3	-66.7%	2	7	-71.4%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0
BMW	1,376	1,405	-2.1%	2,726	2,539	7.4%	0.7%	0.7%	0.0
Chrysler	17,136	16,934	1.2%	35,997	37,499	-4.0%	9.7%	10.7%	-1.0
Fiat	651	685	-5.0%	1,317	1,307	0.8%	0.4%	0.4%	0.0
Ford	18,911	20,566	-8.0%	38,536	39,082	-1.4%	10.4%	11.1%	-0.7
General Motors*	36,137	29,291	23.4%	72,471	64,481	12.4%	19.5%	18.4%	1.2
Honda	7,571	6,657	13.7%	16,266	16,903	-3.8%	4.4%	4.8%	-0.4
Jaguar	19	27	-29.6%	47	73	-35.6%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0
Isuzu	392	191	105.2%	580	357	62.5%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1
Land Rover	112	70	60.0%	247	215	14.9%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0
Mazda	5,730	3,660	56.6%	11,044	8,995	22.8%	3.0%	2.6%	0.4
Mercedes-Benz	1,353	1,093	23.8%	2,828	2,488	13.7%	0.8%	0.7%	0.1
MINI	540	376	43.6%	1,066	766	39.2%	0.3%	0.2%	0.1
Mitsubishi	2,967	3,006	-1.3%	6,083	6,637	-8.3%	1.6%	1.9%	-0.2
Nissan/Infiniti	41,935	29,272	43.3%	87,121	68,493	27.2%	23.5%	19.5%	4.0
Peugeot	1,349	2,040	-33.9%	2,946	4,154	-29.1%	0.8%	1.2%	-0.4
Porsche	73	123	-40.7%	144	269	-46.5%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0
Renault	4,578	2,715	68.6%	7,363	5,643	30.5%	2.0%	1.6%	0.4
Seat	3,307	3,694	-10.5%	6,326	6,847	-7.6%	1.7%	1.9%	-0.2
smart	183	164	11.6%	366	386	-5.2%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0
Subaru	120	186	-35.5%	290	390	-25.6%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0
Suzuki	1,706	1,466	16.4%	3,802	3,006	26.5%	1.0%	0.9%	0.2
Toyota	10,275	10,929	-6.0%	20,726	24,666	-16.0%	5.6%	7.0%	-1.4
Volksw agen	23,586	24,219	-2.6%	48,811	52,149	-6.4%	13.2%	14.8%	-1.7
Volvo	324	216	50.0%	670	450	48.9%	0.2%	0.1%	0.1
Total Vehicle Sales	182,073	160,803	13.2%	371,065	351,359	5.6%	100.0%	100.0%	

Includes some heavy-duty trucks

**Includes Saab*

Source: Asociacion Mexicana de la Industria Automotriz, A.C., and DesRosiers Automotive Consultants Inc.

Over the first half of 2010, the average number of employees working within the automotive industry reached 803.5 thousand; a 1.4% improvement compared to 792.7 thousand a year prior. The first three months posted year-over-year fallbacks. Modest growth occurred in May (+3.3%) and April (+0.4%). Double-digit growth was evident in June (+10.9%) as average employment grew from 788.2 thousand to 874.4 thousand.

Between January and June, employment within Motor Vehicle Manufacturing (Table B) dropped 2.4% below 2009's average of 51.3 thousand, settling at 50.1 thousand. Year-over-year gains were posted in June (+9.7%) and May (+3.0%). The first four months all witnessed a decrease in average employment with the biggest cutback occurring in April (-13.7%).

Employment in Motor Vehicle Body and Trailer Manufacturing (Table C) grew 11.9% in the first half of 2010. Significant double-digit growth was posted in May (+57.6%) and June (+55.0%). Deep fallbacks were also recorded in March (-15.1%) and January (-15.8%).

In the first six months of 2010, employment in Motor Vehicle Parts and Accessories Manufacturing (Table D) slid 5.6%. Employment fell in three each of the six months. Year-over-year growth was evident in June (+6.9%), May (+1.6%), February (+0.5%). Major reductions to average employment were confirmed in March (-13.8%) and April (-20.1%).

Highway, Street and Bridge Construction employment (Table E) rose by 3.4% in the first half of 2010 with an average of 60.1 thousand workers. Monthly gains were posted in June (+28.0%), May (+14.0%), and April (+8.5%).

Year-to-date employment within Motor Vehicles, Wholesale (Table

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Employment by Month in Thousands

Table A: Total Employment

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	801.7	772.7	-3.6%
February	791.7	775.0	-2.1%
March	776.5	771.6	-0.6%
April	796.0	799.0	0.4%
May	801.8	828.5	3.3%
June	788.2	874.4	10.9%
July	822.7		
August	842.1		
September	869.3		
October	862.5		
November	858.9		
December	822.2		
Year-to-date	792.7	803.5	1.4%

Table C: Motor Vehicle Body & Trailer Manufacturing (NAICS 3362)

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	17.1	14.4	-15.8%
February	17.4	18.3	5.2%
March	16.6	14.1	-15.1%
April	13.5	14.6	8.1%
May	12.5	19.7	57.6%
June	12.0	18.6	55.0%
July	13.2		
August	15.7		
September	14.2		
October	13.3		
November	12.6		
December	14.3		
Year-to-date	14.9	16.6	11.9%

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey and DesRosiers Automotive Consultants Inc.

Table B: Motor Vehicle Manufacturing (NAICS 3361)

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	51.6	48.8	-5.4%
February	55.7	55.2	-0.9%
March	52.4	50.7	-3.2%
April	57.7	49.8	-13.7%
May	47.2	48.6	3.0%
June	43.4	47.6	9.7%
July	44.2		
August	58.1		
September	59.5		
October	61.9		
November	58.8		
December	54.6		
Year-to-date	51.3	50.1	-2.4%

Table D: Motor Vehicle Parts & Accessories Manufacturing (NAICS 3363)

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	68.3	63.9	-6.4%
February	65.1	65.4	0.5%
March	74.1	63.9	-13.8%
April	72.3	57.8	-20.1%
May	62.9	63.9	1.6%
June	68.4	73.1	6.9%
July	73.1		
August	72.0		
September	79.6		
October	74.6		
November	72.5		
December	71.1		
Year-to-date	68.5	64.7	-5.6%

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey and DesRosiers Automotive Consultants Inc.

Canadian Automotive Employment - 1H 2010

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F) leapt by 42.0% as average employment grew to 23.3 thousand. This sector has declined by an annual average rate of 1.4% over the last five years. Double-digit gains were posted in all six months led by February (+53.0%), April (+52.6%), June (+49.7%), March (+48.9%), and May (+38.4%).

First half employment in Motor Vehicles, Parts and Accessories, Wholesale (Table G) inched up slightly by 1.3% crawling to an average of 27.7 thousand workers, compared to 27.3 thousand during the same period in 2009. The average annual rate of growth has fallen to -3.8% over the last five years. Employment fell in the first three months while large double-digit gains were evident for June (+37.7%) and May (+33.6%).

Automobile Dealers (Table H) continues to be the largest sector in the Canadian auto industry led by an 11.3% rise in employment. An average of 150.2 thousand workers were employed in the first half of 2010. Monthly gains were posted in all of the first six months. Significant growth was recorded in June (+25.3%), May (+11.9%), and April (+10.7%).

Automotive Parts and Accessories Stores (Table I) average employment dropped 0.3% by the end of June reaching 38.8 thousand. Year-over-year gains were posted in March (+22.5%) and April (+0.7%). Reductions were evident in the remaining months. This sector has grown by an annual average rate of 3.1% over the last five years.

Employment in the Gasoline Service Stations sector (Table J) fell 8.4% as employment averaged 64.6 thousand in the first half of 2010. Year-over-year declines occurred in all of the first six months led by May (-20.2%), March (-10.6%), and February (-10.5%). The average annual rate of growth for this sector over the past five years is -4.0%.

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Employment by Month in Thousands

Table E: Highway, Street and Bridge Construction (NAICS 2373)

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	56.4	45.3	-19.7%
February	49.2	42.5	-13.6%
March	49.3	44.6	-9.5%
April	52.7	57.2	8.5%
May	68.0	77.5	14.0%
June	73.2	93.7	28.0%
July	81.5		
August	79.9		
September	89.5		
October	88.0		
November	81.0		
December	62.6		
Year-to-date	58.1	60.1	3.4%

Table G: Motor Vehicles, Parts & Accessories, Wholesale (NAICS 4152)

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	32.5	28.4	-12.6%
February	30.9	20.5	-33.7%
March	25.9	24.9	-3.9%
April	25.9	26.4	1.9%
May	27.1	36.2	33.6%
June	21.5	29.6	37.7%
July	24.2		
August	30.0		
September	32.0		
October	31.2		
November	27.0		
December	25.6		
Year-to-date	27.3	27.7	1.3%

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey and DesRosiers Automotive Consultants Inc.

Table F: Motor Vehicles, Wholesale (NAICS 4151)

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	18.7	21.5	15.0%
February	16.6	25.4	53.0%
March	17.6	26.2	48.9%
April	13.7	20.9	52.6%
May	16.4	22.7	38.4%
June	15.5	23.2	49.7%
July	17.5		
August	16.7		
September	13.6		
October	19.0		
November	20.0		
December	19.5		
Year-to-date	16.4	23.3	42.0%

Table H: Automobile Dealers (NAICS 4411)

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	135.7	142.2	4.8%
February	129.9	138.6	6.7%
March	123.2	133.1	8.0%
April	138.7	153.5	10.7%
May	146.8	164.2	11.9%
June	135.1	169.3	25.3%
July	140.7		
August	148.4		
September	144.3		
October	137.8		
November	138.5		
December	137.8		
Year-to-date	134.9	150.2	11.3%

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey and DesRosiers Automotive Consultants Inc.

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By the conclusion of June, average employment for Other General Merchandise Stores (Table K) grew by 3.7%, falling to 130.0 thousand workers. Year-over-year growth was recorded in five of the six months led by April (+10.4%) and May (+6.8%).

Automotive Equipment Rental and Leasing (Table L) secured the highest year-over-year decline in the automotive industry at the end of the first half of 2010, cutting average employment by 27.9%. Deep double-digit declines were evident in all six months led by March (-48.3%), January (+35.0%), and February (+30.9%).

Employment in the Automotive Repair & Maintenance sector (Table M) dipped 1.0% versus the previous year as an average of 148.6 thousand workers were employed between January and June. Year-over-year gains were posted in June (+2.7%), February (+1.8%), and March (+0.8%).

Metalworking Machinery Manufacturing (Table N) recorded a decrease in employment as the workforce in this sector fell from 15.7 thousand workers a year prior to 14.0 thousand workers. Reductions were made in five of the six months.

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Employment by Month in Thousands

Table I: Automotive Parts & Accessories Stores (NAICS 4413)

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	37.3	35.5	-4.8%
February	38.2	37.0	-3.1%
March	35.5	43.5	22.5%
April	40.3	40.6	0.7%
May	39.7	36.6	-7.8%
June	42.3	39.5	-6.6%
July	44.3		
August	40.4		
September	41.2		
October	35.8		
November	40.7		
December	35.1		
Year-to-date	38.9	38.8	-0.3%

Table K: Other General Merchandise Stores (NAICS 4529)

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	124.8	127.5	2.2%
February	126.6	123.2	-2.7%
March	124.5	129.7	4.2%
April	118.1	130.4	10.4%
May	122.1	130.4	6.8%
June	135.8	138.6	2.1%
July	123.6		
August	130.9		
September	135.3		
October	132.5		
November	140.1		
December	144.6		
Year-to-date	125.3	130.0	3.7%

Table M: Automotive Repair & Maintenance (NAICS 8111)

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	144.0	140.9	-2.2%
February	144.2	146.8	1.8%
March	147.5	148.7	0.8%
April	154.8	151.7	-2.0%
May	156.7	145.8	-7.0%
June	153.5	157.6	2.7%
July	163.8		
August	153.8		
September	155.1		
October	161.7		
November	158.5		
December	147.9		
Year-to-date	150.1	148.6	-1.0%

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey and DesRosiers Automotive Consultants Inc.

Table J: Gasoline Service Stations (NAICS 4471)

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	76.2	73.9	-3.0%
February	81.2	72.7	-10.5%
March	74.3	66.4	-10.6%
April	69.1	66.2	-4.2%
May	67.2	53.6	-20.2%
June	55.0	54.8	-0.4%
July	58.8		
August	59.5		
September	69.6		
October	74.2		
November	74.7		
December	78.0		
Year-to-date	70.5	64.6	-8.4%

Table L: Automotive Equipment Rental & Leasing (NAICS 5321)

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	22.3	14.5	-35.0%
February	21.7	15.0	-30.9%
March	21.1	10.9	-48.3%
April	19.7	15.3	-22.3%
May	19.8	16.3	-17.7%
June	19.5	17.5	-10.3%
July	20.7		
August	21.5		
September	19.0		
October	20.5		
November	18.0		
December	16.5		
Year-to-date	20.7	14.9	-27.9%

Table N: Metalworking Machinery Manufacturing (NAICS 3335)

Month	2009	2010	2010/ 2009
January	16.8	15.9	-5.4%
February	15.0	14.4	-4.0%
March	14.5	14.9	2.8%
April	19.5	14.6	-25.1%
May	15.4	13.0	-15.6%
June	13.0	11.3	-13.1%
July	17.1		
August	15.2		
September	16.4		
October	12.0		
November	16.5		
December	14.6		
Year-to-date	15.7	14.0	-10.7%

Source: Statistics Canada Labour Force Survey and DesRosiers Automotive Consultants Inc.

New and Used Vehicle Sales in Canada (000's of units)

	New Vehicle Sales	Percent New Vehicles	Used Vehicle Sales	Percent Used Vehicles	Total Vehicle Sales	Total Units in Operation	Sales as a Percent Of UIO
2001	1,571	43.7%	2,022	56.3%	3,592	17,668	20.3%
2002	1,703	44.4%	2,133	55.6%	3,837	17,911	21.4%
2003	1,594	41.6%	2,238	58.4%	3,832	18,207	21.0%
2004	1,534	39.8%	2,321	60.2%	3,855	18,709	20.6%
2005	1,583	40.2%	2,351	59.8%	3,934	18,883	20.8%
2006	1,615	40.7%	2,356	59.3%	3,971	19,365	20.5%
2007	1,653	38.5%	2,637	61.5%	4,290	20,243	21.2%
2008	1,636	38.3%	2,634	61.7%	4,270	21,202	20.1%
2009	1,461	34.4%	2,790	65.6%	4,250	21,608	19.6%
2009/2008	-10.7%		5.9%		-0.5%	1.9%	

Note: 2009 Units in operation is a forecast

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Used Vehicle Sales by Channel (000's of units)

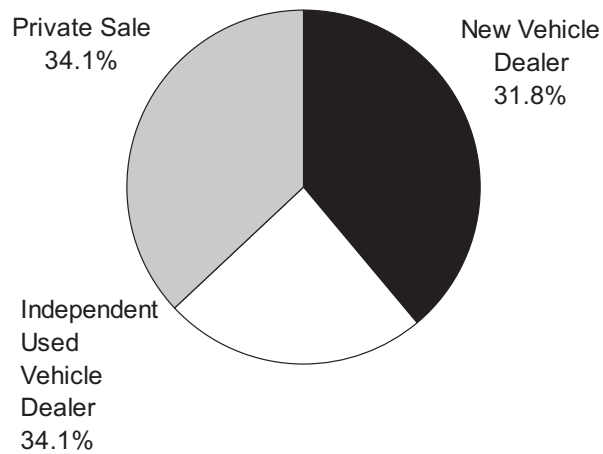
	New Vehicle Dealer	Independent Used Vehicle Dealer	Private Sale	Total	Total Units in Operation	Sales as a Percent Of UIO
2001	868	403	751	2,022	17,668	11.4%
2002	909	418	806	2,133	17,911	11.9%
2003	899	489	850	2,238	18,207	12.3%
2004	921	535	866	2,321	18,709	12.4%
2005	917	577	857	2,351	18,883	12.5%
2006	918	602	836	2,356	19,365	12.2%
2007	928	775	934	2,637	20,243	13.0%
2008	915	825	894	2,634	21,202	12.4%
2009	887	951	951	2,790	21,608	12.9%
2009/2008	-3.0%	15.2%	6.4%	5.9%	1.9%	

Note: 2009 Units in operation is a forecast

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Used Vehicle Sales 2009

In 2009, approximately 21.6 million light vehicles were travelling on Canada's roads. Combined, new and used vehicle sales for 2009 reached 4.250 million units, equating to a 0.5% decline compared to the previous year. New vehicle sales make up approximately 34.4% of the total sales with dealers pushing 1.461 million units out the door. This is down 10.7% when compared to 2008's total. Used vehicle sales rose 5.9% as approximately 2.790 million units were sold.



Used Vehicle Sales - Channel Share

	New Vehicle Dealer	Independent Used Vehicle Dealer	Private Sale	Total
2001	42.9%	19.9%	37.2%	100%
2002	42.6%	19.6%	37.8%	100%
2003	40.2%	21.9%	38.0%	100%
2004	39.7%	23.0%	37.3%	100%
2005	39.0%	24.6%	36.4%	100%
2006	39.0%	25.5%	35.5%	100%
2007	35.2%	29.4%	35.4%	100%
2008	34.7%	31.3%	33.9%	100%
2009	31.8%	34.1%	34.1%	100%

Source: DesRosiers Automotive Consultants Inc.

The number of used vehicles sold through the new vehicle dealer channel dipped compared to last year's figure by 3.0%. In 2001, new vehicle dealers sold 868 thousand used vehicles. This represented 42.9% of the market during that year. In 2009, 887 thousand used vehicles were sold by new car dealers, the resulting market share falling to 31.8%.

The proportion of used vehicles sold privately in 2001 was 37.2%. By 2009, private sales share fell to 34.1%. Approximately 951 thousand vehicles were sold through this channel, a 6.4% increase versus 2008.

A total of 951 thousand used vehicles were dealt by independents during 2009. This represents an impressive 15.2% increase year-over-year. **DAR**

Used Vehicle Sales by Channel - \$ Millions

	New Car Dealer	Independent Used Car Dealer	Private Sale	Total
2000	\$13,397	\$3,933	\$3,164	\$20,495
2001	\$13,646	\$4,016	\$3,546	\$21,207
2002	\$14,687	\$4,248	\$3,879	\$22,815
2003	\$14,902	\$4,979	\$4,100	\$23,981
2004	\$15,832	\$5,653	\$4,332	\$25,817
2005	\$15,667	\$6,064	\$4,262	\$25,994
2006	\$15,508	\$6,293	\$4,145	\$25,945
2007	\$16,225	\$8,066	\$4,606	\$28,897
2008	\$15,471	\$8,380	\$4,300	\$28,150
2009	\$15,642	\$9,696	\$4,591	\$29,930
2009/2008	1.1%	15.7%	6.8%	6.3%

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Canadian Used Vehicle Summary

The Canadian Used Vehicle Market
New Vehicle Dealers - 2009 (Retail)

	Average Retail Price	Percent of Retail Sales	Used Retail Total	Used Retail Total (\$)	Average Gross Margin (%)	Average Gross Margin (\$)	Average Acquisition Cost	Number of Dealers	Retail Sales per Dealer (\$)
1-5 Year Old									
British Columbia	\$18,377	54%	79,753	\$1,465,603,561	17%	\$3,124	\$15,253	405	\$3,618,774
Prairies	\$18,524	67%	133,551	\$2,473,885,886	21%	\$3,890	\$14,634	643	\$3,847,412
Ontario	\$19,053	67%	190,765	\$3,634,674,539	15%	\$2,858	\$16,195	1,188	\$3,059,490
Quebec	\$17,358	65%	125,070	\$2,170,918,348	14%	\$2,430	\$14,928	859	\$2,527,262
Atlantic	\$16,348	67%	42,344	\$692,242,591	12%	\$1,962	\$14,386	316	\$2,190,641
Canada	\$18,264	64%	571,483	\$10,437,324,926	16%	\$2,976	\$15,287	3,411	\$3,059,902
6-10 Year Old									
British Columbia	\$11,216	29%	42,830	\$480,396,434	18%	\$2,019	\$9,197	405	\$1,186,164
Prairies	\$10,464	27%	53,819	\$563,155,474	21%	\$2,197	\$8,266	643	\$875,825
Ontario	\$10,570	20%	56,945	\$601,901,504	17%	\$1,797	\$8,773	1,188	\$506,651
Quebec	\$8,676	21%	40,407	\$350,578,892	13%	\$1,150	\$7,527	859	\$408,124
Atlantic	\$7,732	24%	15,168	\$117,275,053	14%	\$1,082	\$6,649	316	\$371,124
Canada	\$10,103	24%	209,169	\$2,113,307,357	18%	\$1,769	\$8,335	3,411	\$619,557
11+ Year Old									
British Columbia	\$5,306	17%	25,107	\$133,210,703	24%	\$1,273	\$4,032	405	\$328,915
Prairies	\$4,607	6%	11,960	\$55,098,686	25%	\$1,152	\$3,455	643	\$85,690
Ontario	\$5,411	13%	37,014	\$200,272,993	23%	\$1,244	\$4,166	1,188	\$168,580
Quebec	\$3,766	14%	26,938	\$101,462,628	25%	\$928	\$2,838	859	\$118,117
Atlantic	\$3,577	9%	5,688	\$20,348,127	22%	\$787	\$2,790	316	\$64,393
Canada	\$4,783	12%	106,707	\$510,393,138	24%	\$1,137	\$3,646	3,411	\$149,632
Regional Totals									
British Columbia	\$14,078		147,690	\$2,079,210,698					\$5,133,854
Prairies	\$15,513		199,330	\$3,092,140,046					\$4,808,927
Ontario	\$15,583		284,724	\$4,436,849,036					\$3,734,721
Quebec	\$13,632		192,416	\$2,622,959,869					\$3,053,504
Atlantic	\$13,131		63,200	\$829,865,771					\$2,626,158
Canada	\$14,719		887,360	\$13,061,025,420					\$3,829,090

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Summary of the Used Vehicle Export Market in Canada

Year	U.S. Registered Importers Volume	Exchange Rate	Used Light Vehicle Sales In Canada	New Light Vehicle Sales In Canada	Total Light Vehicle Sales In Canada	Percentage of Used Light Vehicle Sales	Total Units in Operation	Sales as a Percentage Of UIO
2001	200,074	1.5484	2,021,866	1,570,629	3,592,495	56.3%	17,668	20.3%
2002	211,797	1.5704	2,133,421	1,703,246	3,836,667	55.6%	17,911	21.4%
2003	96,621	1.4015	2,238,119	1,593,506	3,831,625	58.4%	18,207	21.0%
2004	43,355	1.3015	2,290,480	1,534,415	3,824,895	59.9%	18,709	20.4%
2005	12,503	1.2095	2,319,876	1,583,291	3,903,167	59.4%	18,883	20.7%
2006	9,654	1.1341	2,324,655	1,614,701	3,939,356	59.0%	19,365	20.3%
2007	7,418	1.0692	2,600,745	1,653,362	4,254,107	61.1%	20,243	21.0%
2008	6,318	1.0610	2,634,308	1,635,986	4,270,294	61.7%	21,202	20.1%
2009	10,754	1.1192	2,789,661	1,460,612	4,250,273	65.6%	21,675	19.6%

Note: 2009 Units in Operation is a forecast

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