



SMMT MOTOR INDUSTRY FACTS 2025

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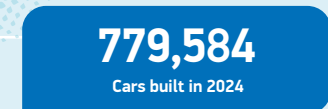
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UK AUTOMOTIVE AT A GLANCE



*inclusive of manufacturers and converters



796,000 people employed across UK Automotive in 2024



183,000 people directly employed in manufacturing in 2024



1 in 14 people employed in UK manufacturing works in Automotive, with annual salaries typically 14% higher than the UK average



40,000 new jobs forecast to be created in automotive sector by 2030
(Public First)

In 2024 the UK automotive manufacturing industry...



Turned over
£92 billion

Private sector
investment
£7.9 billion
in 2024

Invested
£5 billion
in R&D

Added
£25 billion in value to
the UK economy

Exported products worth
£43.5 billion
accounting for **13.4%** of the UK's
total export goods

Top fives in production – 2024



Cars by brand

Make	Volume
Nissan	282,124
Jaguar Land Rover	257,110
BMW/MINI	110,742
Toyota	98,055
Bentley	10,770



Cars by model

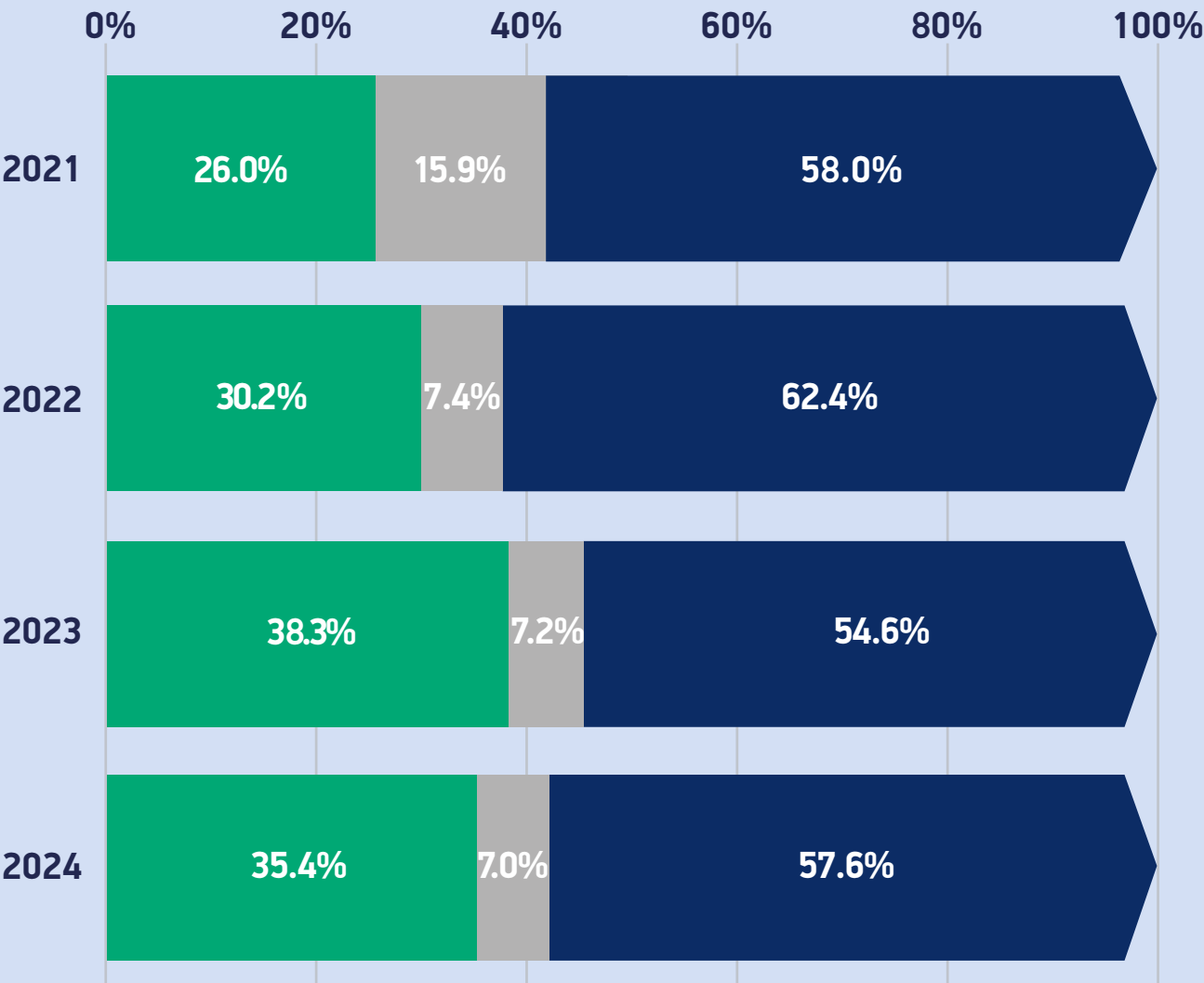
Model	Volume
Nissan Qashqai	175,560
MINI	109,906
Nissan Juke	102,419
Toyota Corolla	91,707
Range Rover	80,161



Commercial vehicles by brand

Make	Volume
Stellantis (Citroen, Fiat, IBC, Opel, Peugeot & Vauxhall)	105,087
Leyland Trucks	14,205
Toyota	1,954
LEVC	1,308
Dennis Eagle	1,071

UK CAR PRODUCTION BY FUEL TYPE, 2021-2024





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HEV
PHEV

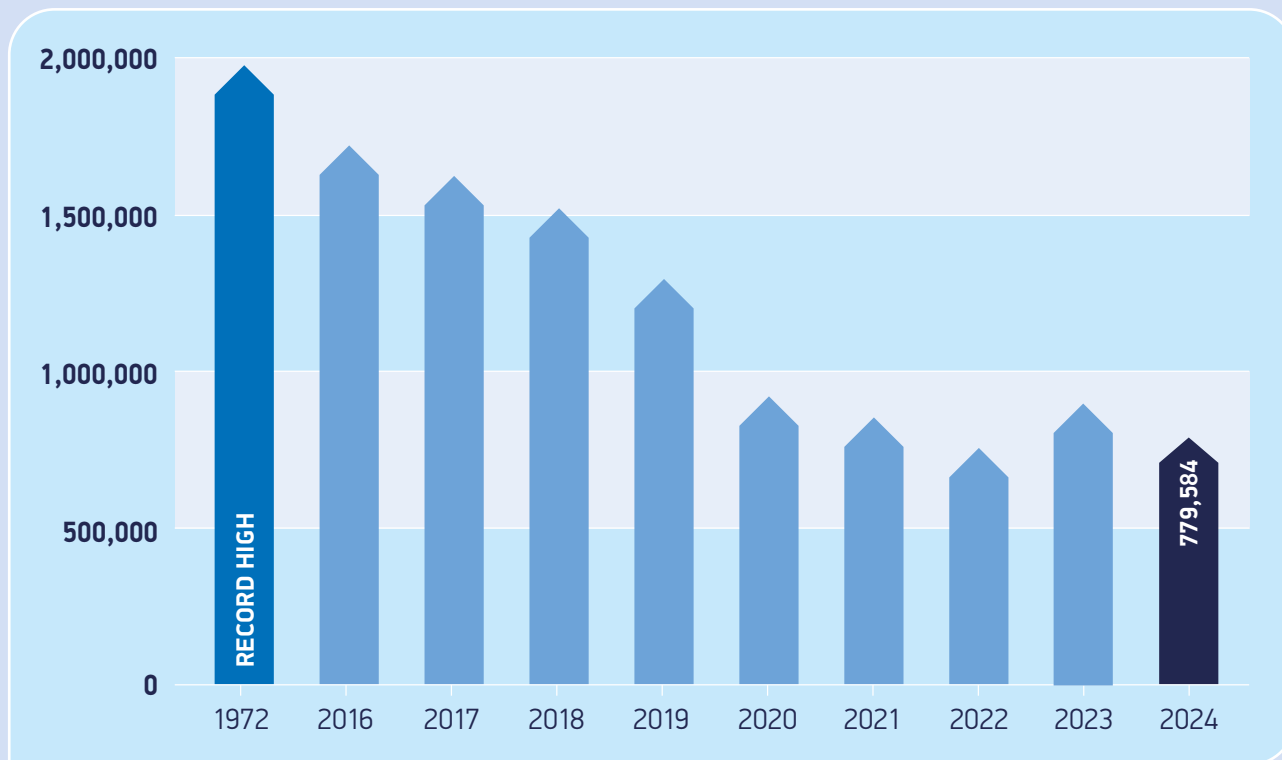


Diesel



Petrol

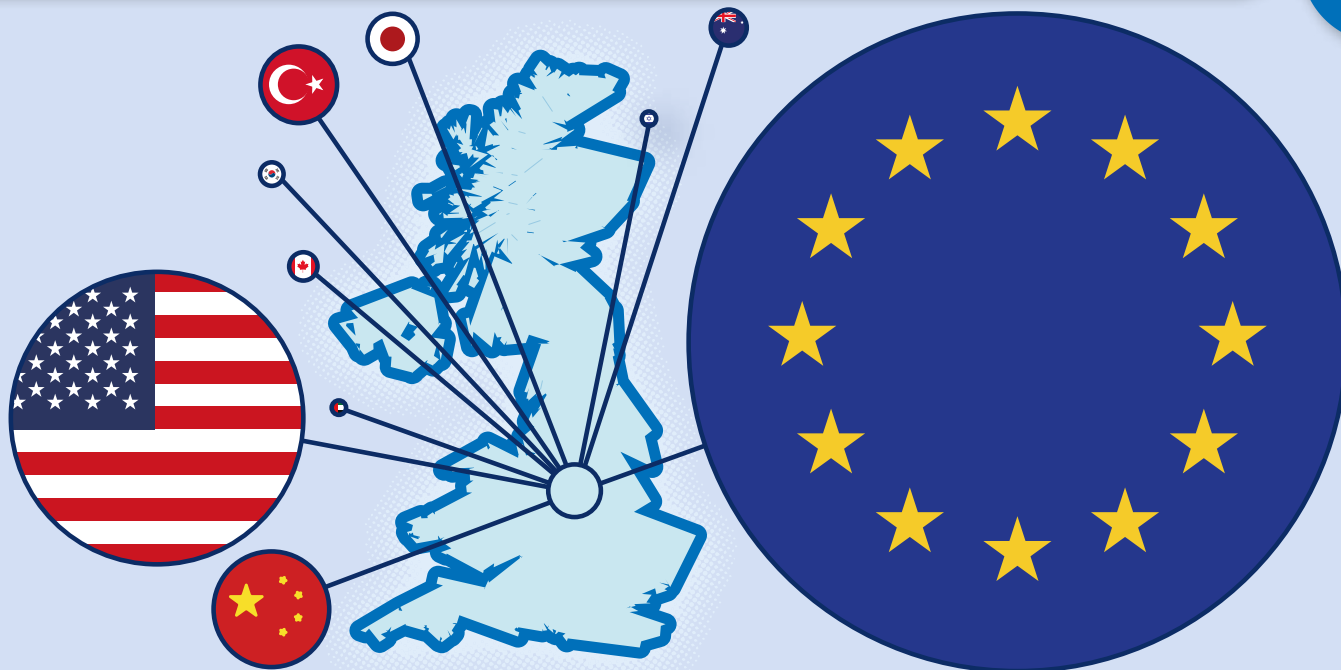
UK car manufacturing 2016 to 2024



779,584
cars built in the UK in 2024

UK car manufacturing – 2022 to 2024

	2022	2024	% Change
Total	905,117	779,584	-13.9%
Home	191,247	176,019	-8.0%
Export	713,870	603,565	-15.5%
% export	78.9%	77.4%	



TOP EXPORT DESTINATIONS FOR UK CARS

Worldwide		Share of exports		
EU27	326,031	54.0%	Australia	13,079 2.2%
U.S.A.	101,870	16.9%	Canada	10,194 1.7%
China	40,036	6.6%	Korea, South	9,260 1.5%
Turkey	26,046	4.3%	U.A.E.	6,669 1.1%
Japan	17,218	2.9%	Israel	6,650 1.1%

603,565

cars manufactured
for export in 2024

**Nearly 8
out of 10**

cars made in the UK
are exported

The UK exports
to more than

140

markets worldwide

Top 18 global automotive manufacturers in 2024 (OICA + ACEA)

Rank	Country	Cars	Commercial vehicles	Total	% change
1	China	27,476,886	3,804,706	31,281,592	4%
2	Usa	1,432,615	9,129,573	10,562,188	-1%
3	Japan	7,139,188	1,095,493	8,234,681	-9%
4	India	4,991,413	1,023,278	6,014,691	3%
5	Mexico	947,726	3,254,916	4,202,642	5%
6	South Korea	3,849,326	277,926	4,127,252	-3%
7	Germany	4,069,222	-	4,069,222	-1%
8	Brazil	1,895,020	654,575	2,549,595	10%
9	Spain	1,918,244	458,260	2,376,504	-3%
10	Thailand	549,752	919,245	1,468,997	-20%
11	Czech Republic	1,452,881	6,011	1,458,892	4%
12	Turkey	904,513	460,783	1,365,296	-7%
13	Canada	217,344	1,125,303	1,342,647	-14%
14	Indonesia	1,026,976	169,688	1,196,664	-14%
15	Slovakia	993,000	-	993,000	-8%
16	Russia	753,754	228,911	982,665	35%
17	France	910,243	-	910,243	-10%
18	United Kingdom	779,584	125,649	905,233	-12%

Up to date info from OICA: www.oica.net/category/production-statistics/2024-statistics/

Top 10 European automotive manufacturers in 2023

Rank	Country	Cars	Vans	Trucks	Buses	TOTAL
1	Germany	3,332,609	210,047	156,204	3,818	3,702,678
2	Spain	1,734,272	436,591	33,751	968	2,205,582
3	Czechia	1,214,746	-	1,260	5,240	1,221,246
4	Slovakia	970,275	-	-	-	970,275
5	France	950,188	428,675	65,673	2,500	1,447,036
6	United Kingdom	905,117	120,357	-	-	1,025,474
7	Romania	509,465	-	-	-	509,465
8	Italy	486,111	234,798	61,117	603	782,629
9	Hungary	452,551	-	-	799	453,350
10	Sweden	251,446	-	32,570	3,816	287,832

Data from ACEA: www.acea.auto/figure/motor-vehicle-production-in-eu-by-country/

UK AUTOMOTIVE MANUFACTURING

Key UK manufacturing sites

Key	Manufacturer	Location	Sector	Model
1	Alexander Dennis	Falkirk and Scarborough	Bus and coach	Enviro bus range
2	Aston Martin	Gaydon	Car	DB12, Valiant, Valkyrie, Valour, Vanquish, Vantage
3	Aston Martin	St Athans	Car	DBX
4	Autocraft	Grantham	Engine	Engine range
5	Bentley	Crewe	Car and engine	Bentayga, Continental GT, Flying Spur
6	BMW	Hams Hall	Engine	Engine range
7	Caterham	Dartford	Car	Seven
8	Cummins	Darlington	Engine	Engine range
9	Dennis Eagle	Warwick	CV	Truck range
10	Euromotive	Dover	Bus and Coach	Minibus range
11	Euromotive	Hythe	Bus and Coach	Minibus range
12	Ford	Bridgend and Dagenham	Engine	Engine range
13	Gordon Murray Automotive	Guildford	Car	T.33, T.50
14	Jaguar Land Rover	Castle Bromwich and Wolverhampton	Car, engine and battery	Engine range Jaguar: F-Pace, F-Type, XE, XF
15	Jaguar Land Rover	Solihull and Halewood	Car	Jaguar: F-Type Land Rover: Discovery Sport, Evoque, Range Rover, Range Rover Sport, Velar
16	Leyland Trucks	Leyland	CV	DAF CF, LF, XF truck range
17	Lotus	Norwich	Car	Emira, Evija

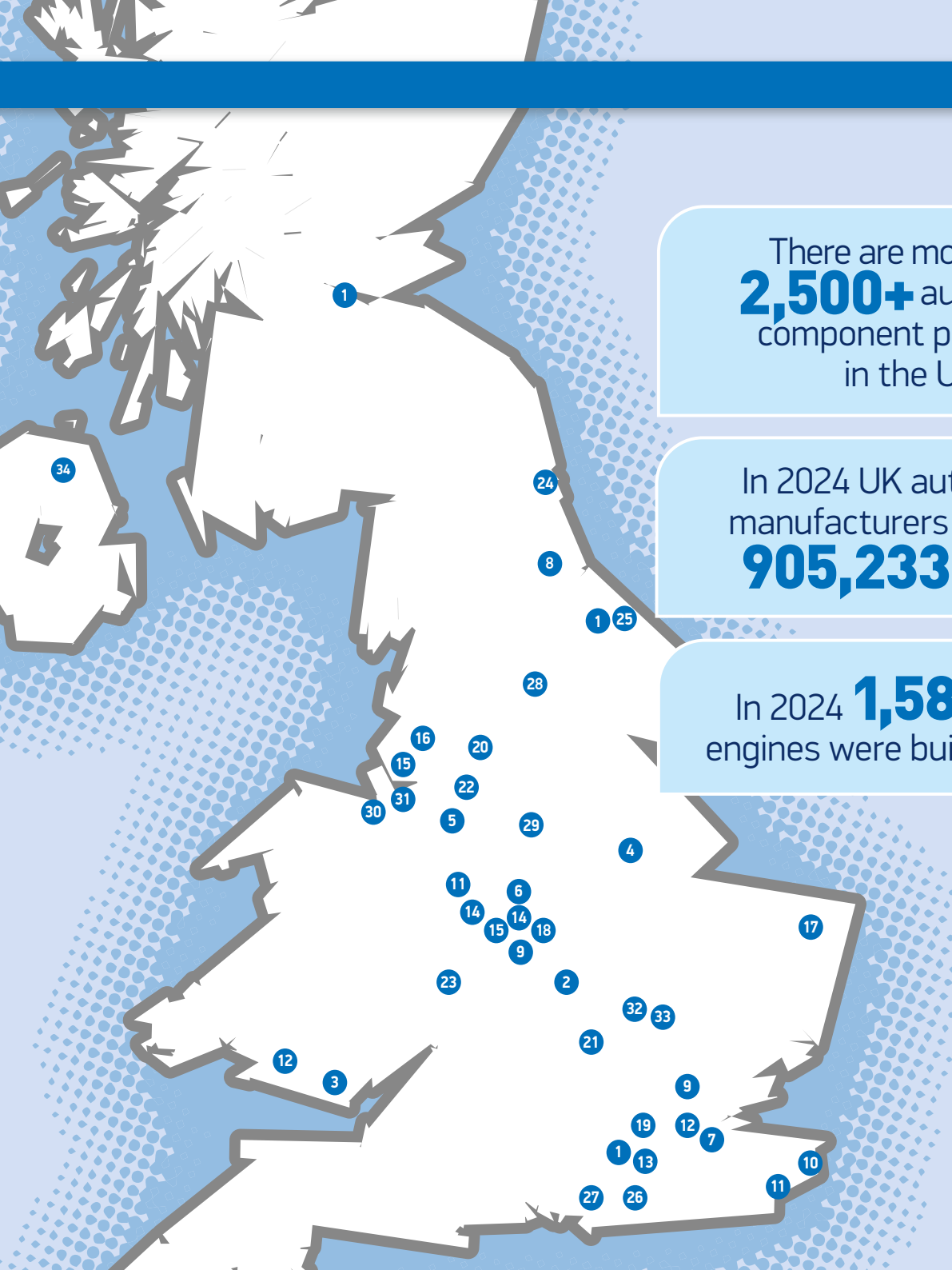
Key UK manufacturing sites

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18	LEVC	Coventry	CV	TX Taxi, VN5
19	McLaren Automotive	Woking	Car	Artura (and Spider version), 750s, GTS, Q
20	Mellor	Rochdale	Bus and coach	Accessible coach range
21	MINI	Oxford	Car	MINI 3-Door Hatch, MINI 5-Door Hatch, MINI Clubman, MINI Electric
22	Minibus Options	Whaley Bridge	Bus and coach	Minibus range
23	Morgan	Malvern	Car	Midsummer, Plus Four, Plus Six, Super 3
24	Nissan	Sunderland	Car, engine and battery	Juke, LEAF, Qashqai
25	Plaxton	Scarborough	Bus and coach	Cheetah, Elite, Leopard, Panorama & Panther coach bodies, Enviro bus range
26	Ricardo	Shoreham-by-Sea	Engine	Engine range
27	Rolls-Royce	Goodwood	Car	Cullinan, Ghost, Phantom, Spectre,
28	Switch Mobility	Leeds	Bus and coach	Metrocity, Solo, Tempo, Versa bus range
29	Toyota	Burnaston	Car and engine	Corolla, Suzuki Swace
30	Toyota	Deeside	Engine	Engine range
31	Vauxhall	Ellesmere Port	CV	Vauxhall Combo-e, Peugeot e-Partner, Citroen e-Berlingo
33	Warnerbus	Dunstable	Bus and coach	Minibus range
34	Wrightbus	Ballymena (NI)	Bus and coach	Bus range

There are more than
2,500+ automotive
component providers
in the UK

In 2024 UK automotive
manufacturers produced
905,233 vehicles

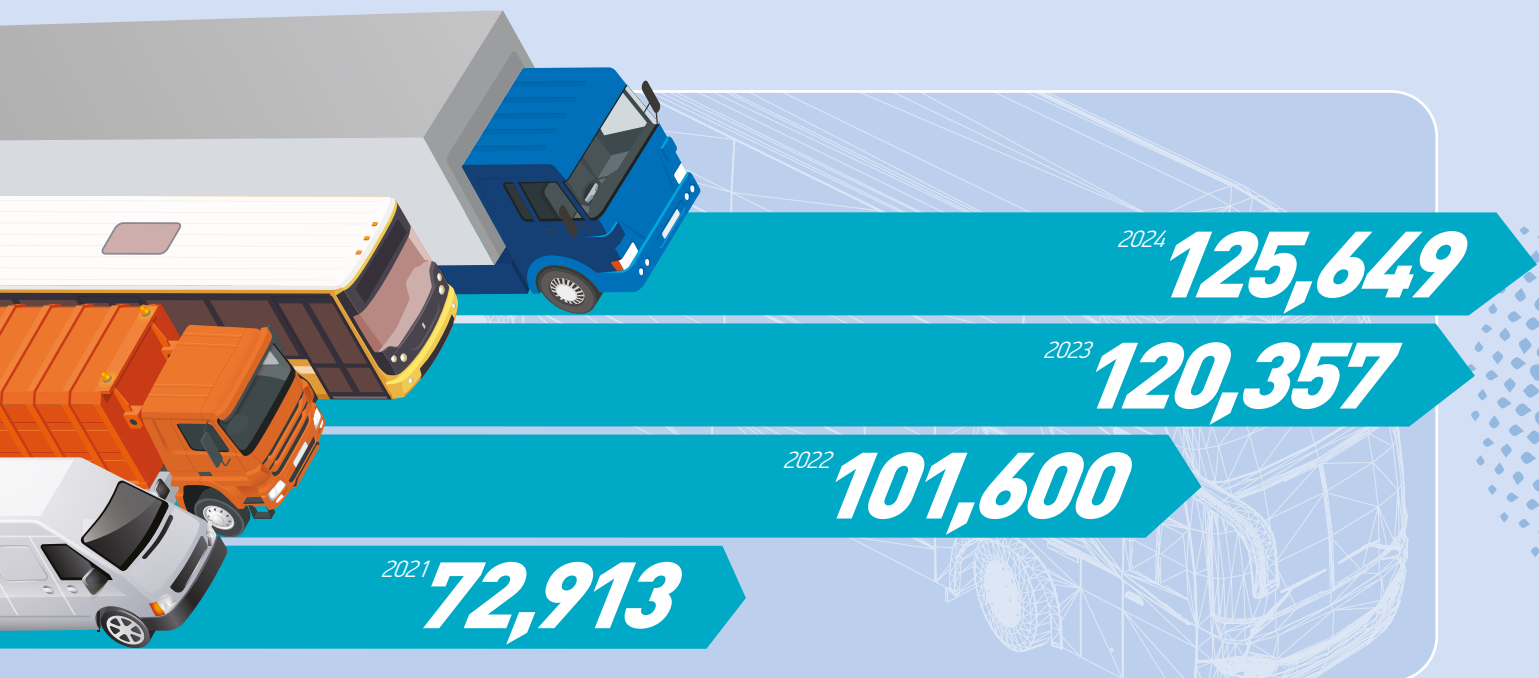
In 2024 **1,589,751**
engines were built in the UK



COMMERCIAL VEHICLE MANUFACTURING



Total UK commercial vehicle manufacturing volumes: 2021 to 2024



UK commercial vehicle manufacturing – 2023 vs 2024

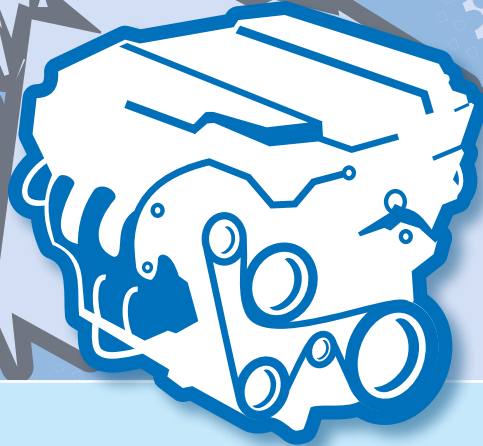
	2023	2024	% Change
Total	120,873	125,649	4.0%
Home	43,885	43,552	-0.8%
Export	76,988	82,097	6.6%
% export	63.7%	65.3%	

Proportion of British-built CVs
exported to global markets

65.3%
in 2024

94.2%

of CVs produced for export
were sent to the EU
in 2024



UK engine manufacturing
down -7.1% in 2024

Total units

1,589,751

8,000

jobs in UK light vehicle
engine production

3,500

jobs reliant on UK diesel
engine production

£8.5bn

turnover value in light vehicle
engine production

Automotive is global and the UK industry is not alone in its ambition, its transformation or its challenges. But the UK must also deal with changing trade relationships, markedly higher energy costs and the most ambitious timescale for regulatory measures to deliver zero emission mobility. Our Vision 2035 is clear. Provide the framework and the growth will follow.



A GREEN AUTOMOTIVE TRANSFORMATION STRATEGY FOR A STRONGER ECONOMY



NET ZERO MOBILITY FOR ALL



GREEN SKILLS FOR A GREENER FUTURE



MADE IN BRITAIN – MADE FOR THE WORLD



POWERING THE UK CLEAN TECH REVOLUTION

www.smmt.co.uk/vision-2035-ready-to-grow/

79,000

people employed
in the UK supply chain

£15.5bn

revenue of UK suppliers

£4.2bn

added value generated by suppliers
each year

5,000

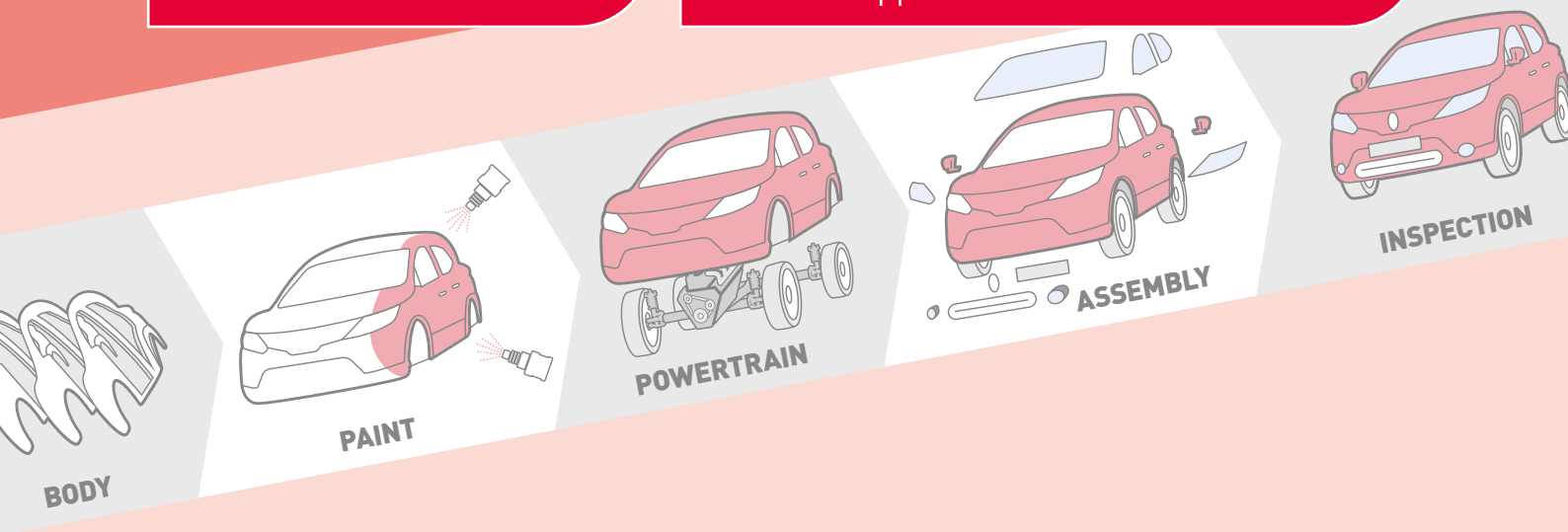
in the wider supply chain
(steel, paint)

2,500+

automotive suppliers
in the UK

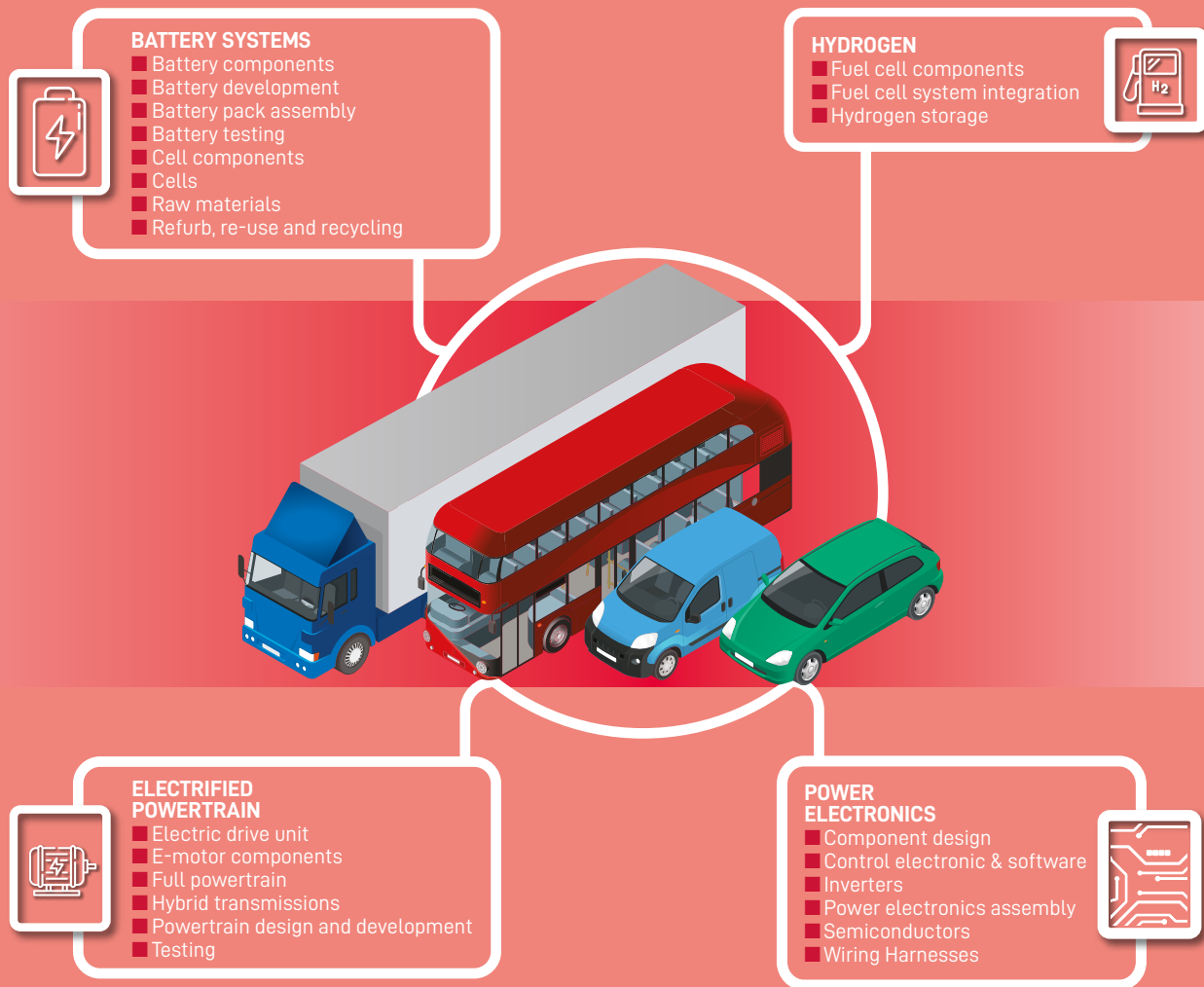
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of the world's biggest automotive
suppliers have a UK base



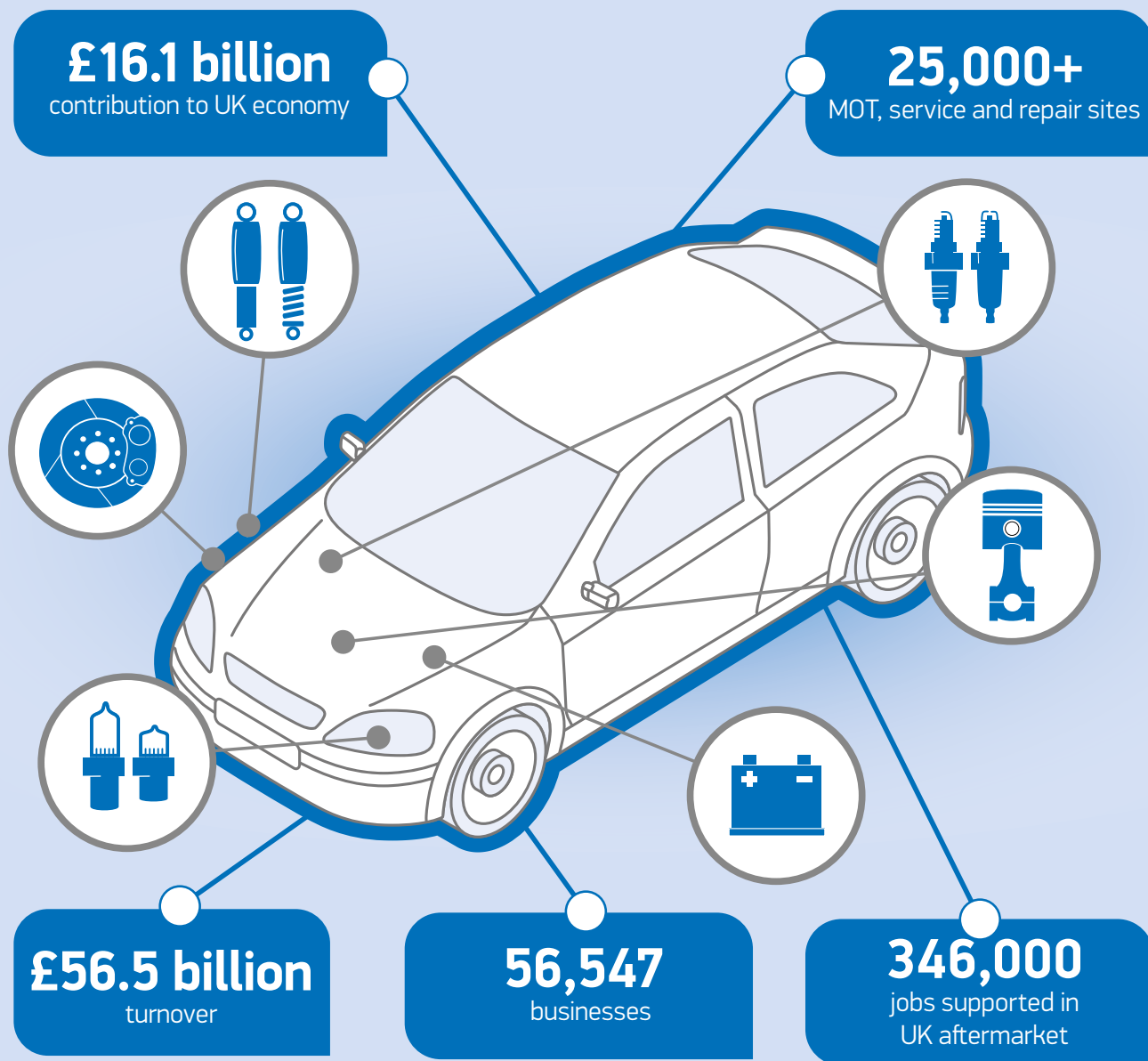
UK ELECTRIC VEHICLE SUPPLY CHAIN

The UK produces a range of key components required to manufacture zero emission vehicles, supported by industry-leading research and development



www.smmmt.co.uk/reports/race-to-zero-powering-up-britains-ev-supply-chain/

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE AFTERMARKET TO THE UK ECONOMY



Data from 2022

UK VEHICLES
ARE THE
**SINGLE MOST
VALUED**
TRADE GOOD

SECTOR GENERATES TRADE WORTH MORE THAN

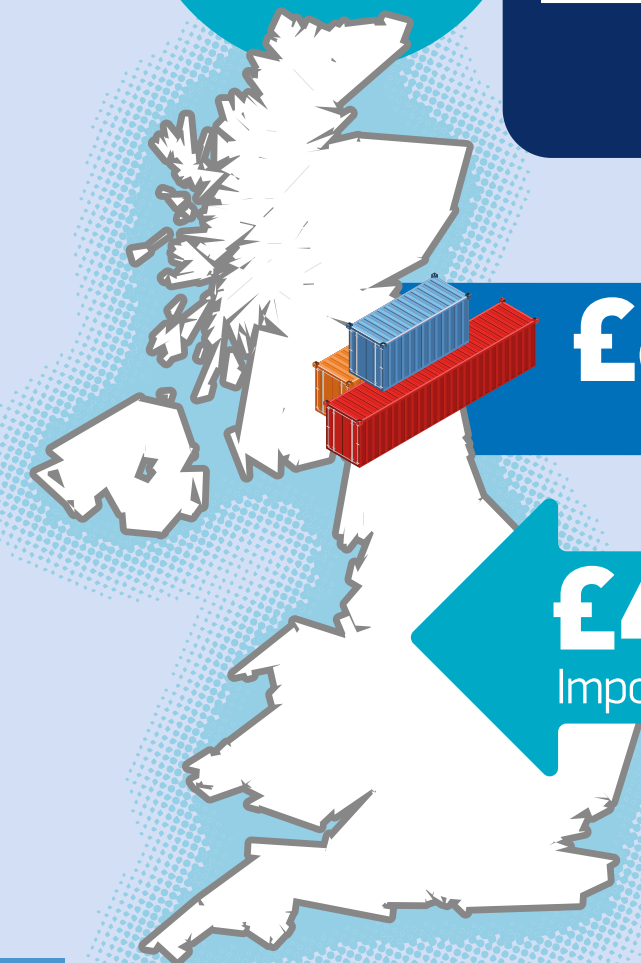
**£108.2
BILLION**

£64.6 BILLION

Exported in 2024

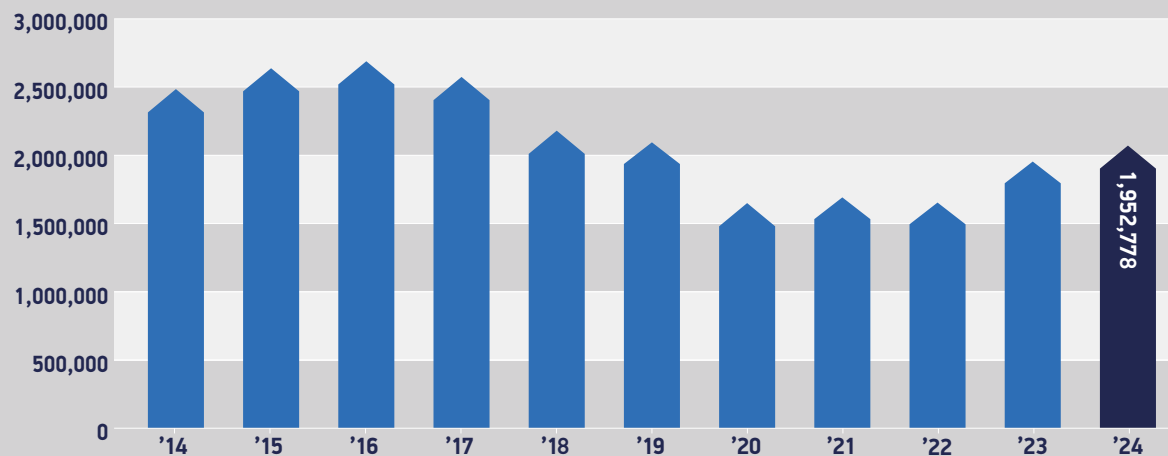
£43.6 BILLION

Imported in 2024

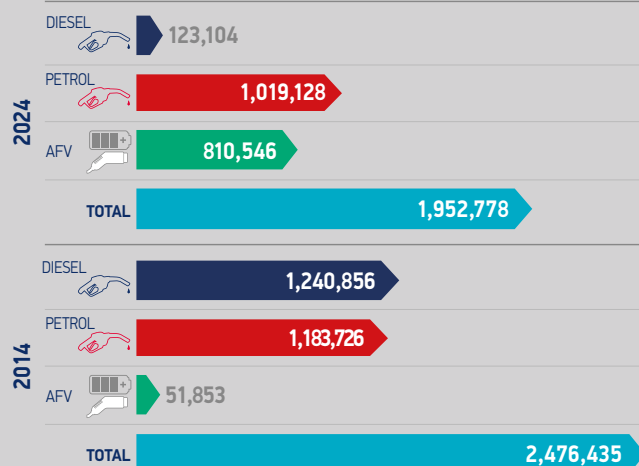


NEW CAR REGISTRATIONS

Annual new car registrations – 2014 to 2024



New car registrations by fuel type – 2014 to 2024



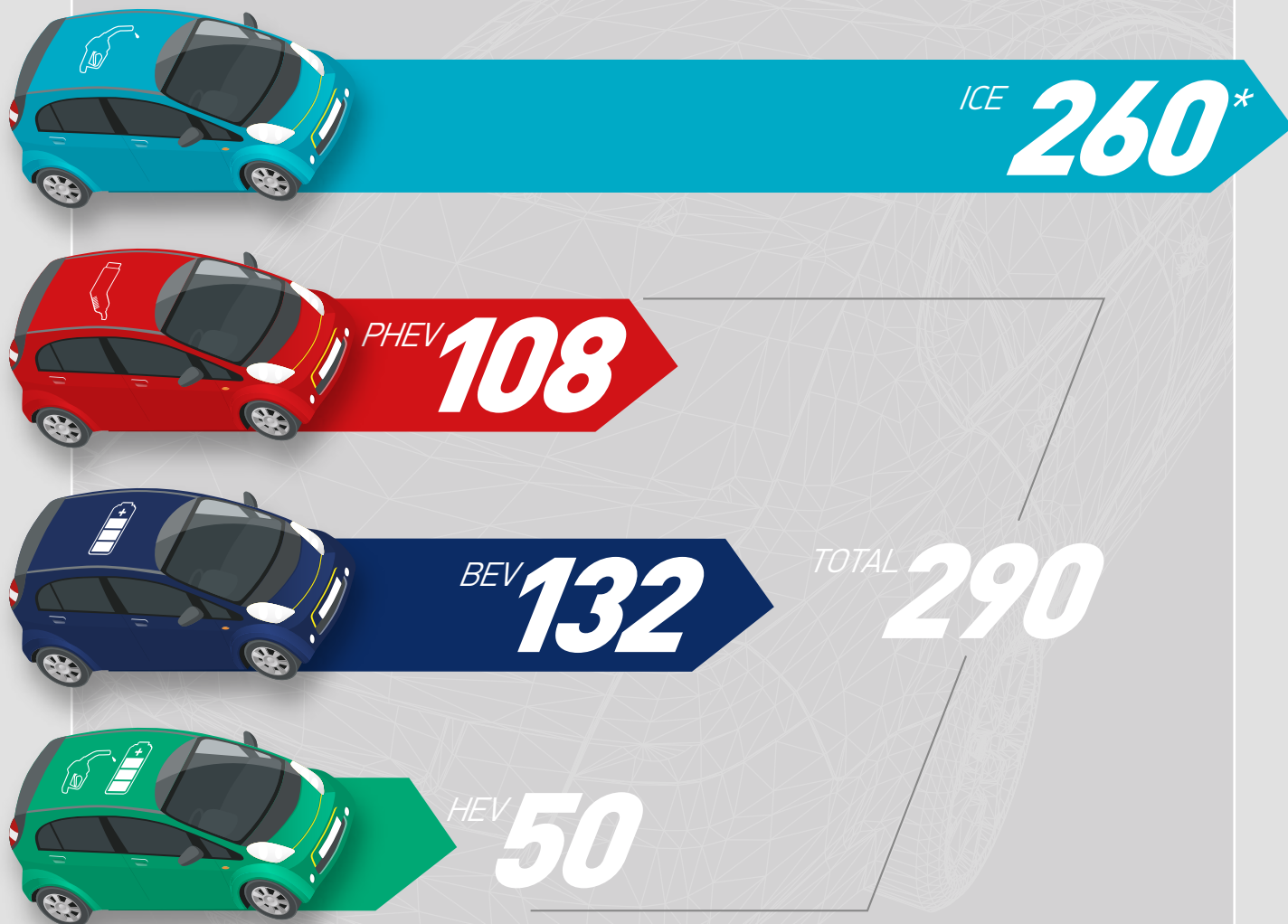
AFV includes MHEVS

Top 10 UK sellers in 2024

	Model	Volume
1	Ford Puma	48,340
2	Kia Sportage	47,163
3	Nissan Qashqai	42,418
4	Nissan Juke	34,454
5	Tesla Model Y	32,862
6	Volkswagen Golf	32,370
7	Hyundai Tucson	32,174
8	MG HS	30,207
9	Volvo XC40	30,202
10	Volkswagen Polo	28,981

NEW CAR REGISTRATIONS

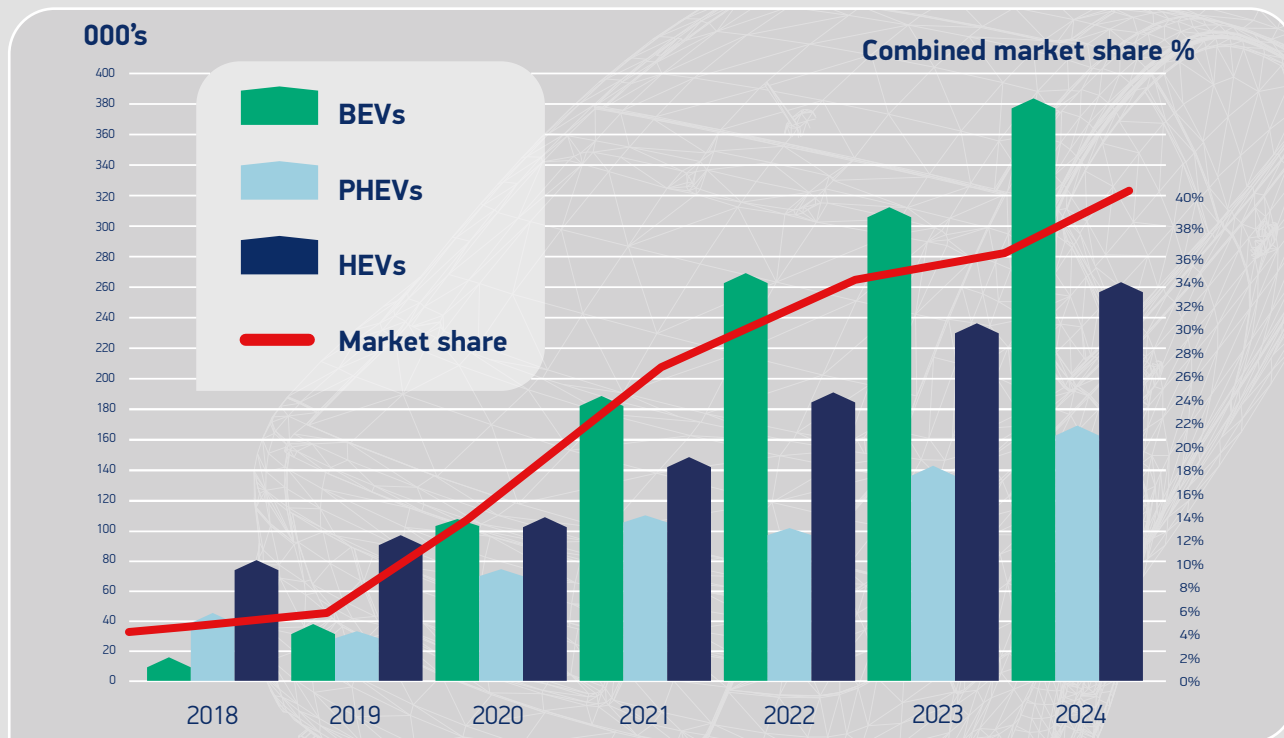
Available alternative fuel vehicles (AFV) and internal combustion engine (ICE) models in 2024



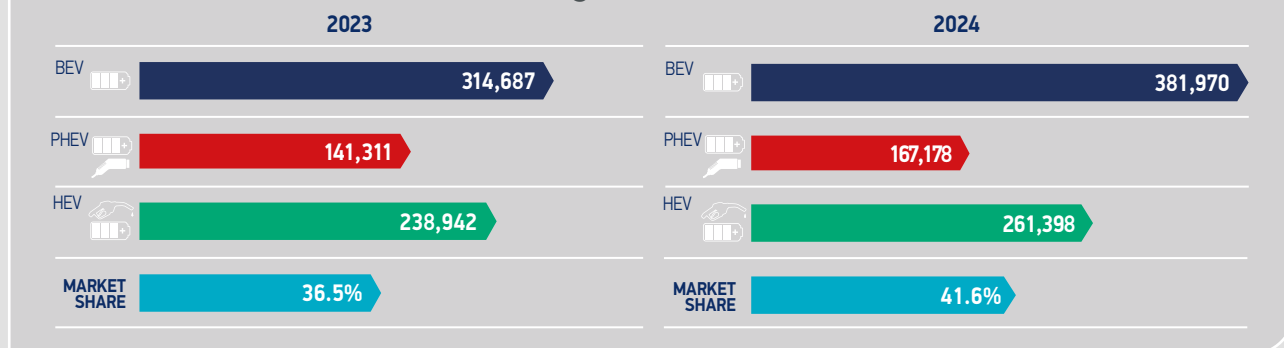
*single model count for diesel, petrol & MHEV

REGISTRATIONS OF ALTERNATIVELY FUELLED VEHICLES

New battery electric, plug-in hybrid and hybrid electric vehicle registrations



New AFV car registrations – 2022 to 2023



Source: SMMT data

Scotland

2022 18:1 2023 20:1 **2024 20:1**

North West

2022 63:1 2023 58:1 **2024 57:1**

Northern Ireland

2022 40:1 2023 50:1 **2024 50:1**

West Midlands

2022 23:1 2023 20:1 **2024 18:1**

Wales

2022 15:1 2023 14:1 **2024 15:1**

South West

2022 59:1 2023 57:1 **2024 49:1**

North East

2022 14:1 2023 16:1 **2024 15:1**

Yorkshire & The Humber

2022 44:1 2023 44:1 **2024 44:1**

East Midlands

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East of England

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London

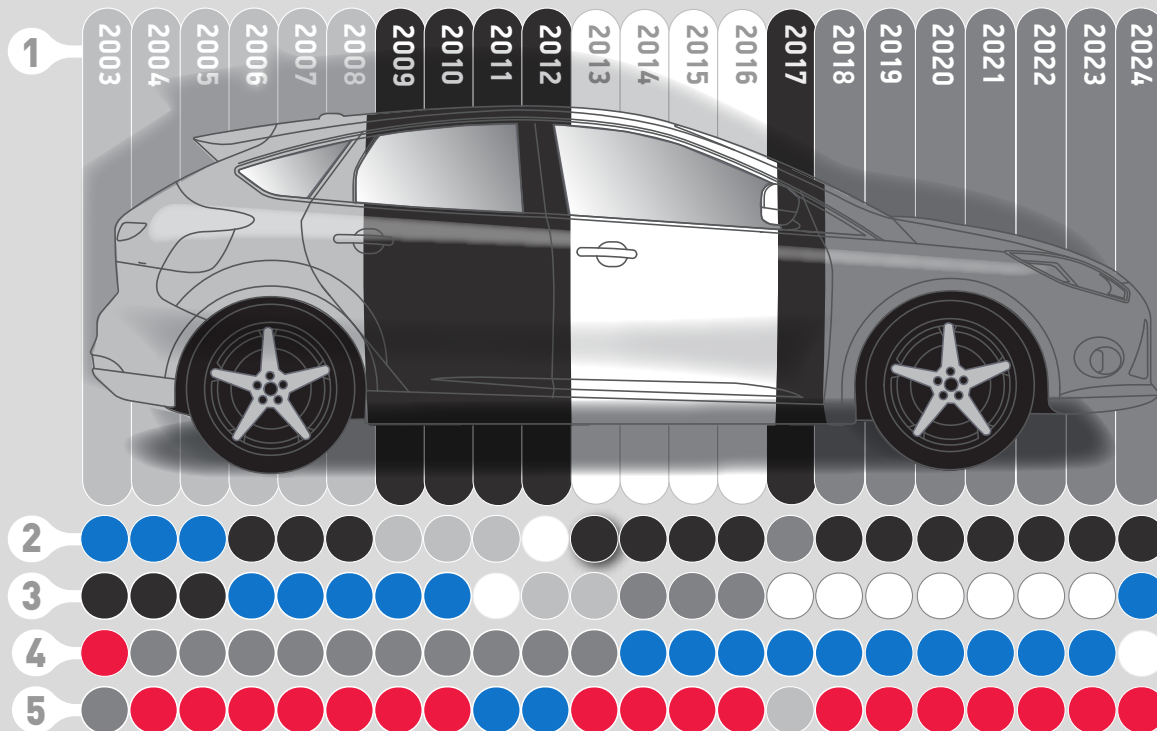
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South East

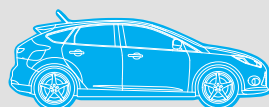
2022 52:1 2023 57:1 **2024 51:1**

*All plug-in cars to all public chargers ratio

Changing tastes in car colour: Top five, 2003-2024



Shift in market segment – 2014 vs 2024



LOWER MEDIUM -19.5%
2014 647,438 / 2024 521,315



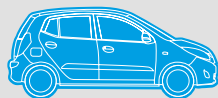
DUAL PURPOSE +117.9%
2014 292,347 / 2024 637,142



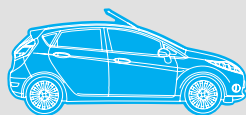
EXECUTIVE -78.5%
2014 120,147 / 2024 25,774



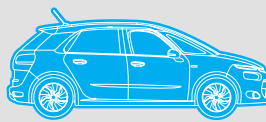
LUXURY SALOON -68.7%
2014 9,766 / 2024 3,052



MINI -82.2%
2014 884,892 / 2024 15,031



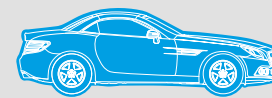
SUPER MINI -39.3%
2014 884,892 / 2024 536,772



MULTI PURPOSE -53.6%
2014 166,135 / 2024 77,109



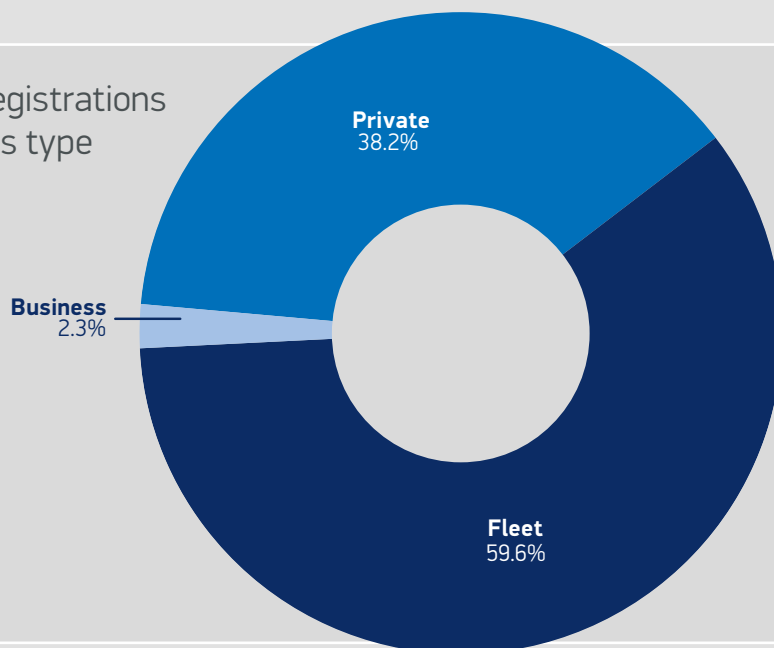
UPPER MEDIUM -47.6%
2014 228,656 / 2024 119,806



SPECIALIST SPORTS -60.8%
2014 42,817 / 2024 16,777

REGISTRATIONS BY SALES TYPE

2024 registrations
by sales type



Business

If the vehicle is being registered by a company that operates up to 24 vehicles, it is designated a business sale. This includes dealer demonstrators.

Fleet

If the vehicle is being registered by a company that operates a fleet of 25 or more vehicles, it is designated a fleet sale. This includes dealer demonstrators and Motability-leased vehicles.

Private

If the vehicle is being registered primarily for the personal use of a private individual, it is designated a private sale.

Top five new car registrations in 2024 by sales type



Private

Model	Volume
Ford Puma	30,431
Volkswagen Polo	16,024
Mercedes A-Class	15,762
BMW 1 Series	15,150
Nissan Juke	14,236



Fleet

Model	Volume
Kia Sportage	33,973
Nissan Qashqai	29,548
MG HS	26,718
Tesla Model Y	26,006
Volkswagen Golf	22,033



Business

Model	Volume
Tesla Model 3	2,464
Tesla Model Y	2,377
Range Rover	1,733
Range Rover Sport	1,681
Nissan Qashqai	1,459

TOP FIVE NEW CAR REGISTRATIONS BY SEGMENT



Model	Volume	Segment share
Hyundai i10	13,602	90.5%
Dacia Spring	1,046	7.0%
Smart EQ fortwo coupé	196	1.3%
Volkswagen UP cabrio	183	1.2%
Smart EQ fourtwo cabrio	4	0.0%

Segment total: 15,031

Model	Volume	Segment share
Ford Puma	48,340	9.0%
Nissan Juke	34,454	6.4%
Volkswagen Polo	28,981	5.4%
Vauxhall Corsa	27,118	5.1%
Toyota Yaris	22,586	4.2%

Segment total: 536,772

Model	Volume	Segment share
Nissan Qashqai	42,418	8.1%
Volkswagen Golf	32,370	6.2%
MS HS	30,207	5.8%
Audi A3	28,908	5.5%
Volkswagen T-Roc	25,012	4.8%

Segment total: 521,315



Model	Volume	Segment share
BMW 3 Series	17,645	14.7%
Tesla Model 3	17,425	14.5%
BMW i4	12,953	10.8%
Skoda Octavia	11,047	9.2%
Jaguar F-Pace	8,288	6.9%

Segment total: 119,806

Model	Volume	Segment share
Mercedes C-Class	5,532	21.5%
Audi A6	4,373	17.0%
BMW 5 Series	3,835	14.9%
BMW i5	3,825	14.8%
Mercedes EQE	2,927	11.4%

Segment total: 25,774

Model	Volume	Segment share
BMW i7	621	20.3%
Mercedes EQS	599	19.6%
Mercedes S-Class	500	16.4%
Bentley Continental	335	11.0%
BMW 7 Series	272	8.9%

Segment total: 3,052



Model	Volume	Segment share
Porsche 911	3,384	20.2%
Porsche Taycan	2,856	17.0%
Porsche 718	1,664	9.9%
Mazda MX-5	1,293	7.7%
Audi E-Tron GT	968	5.8%

Segment total: 16,777

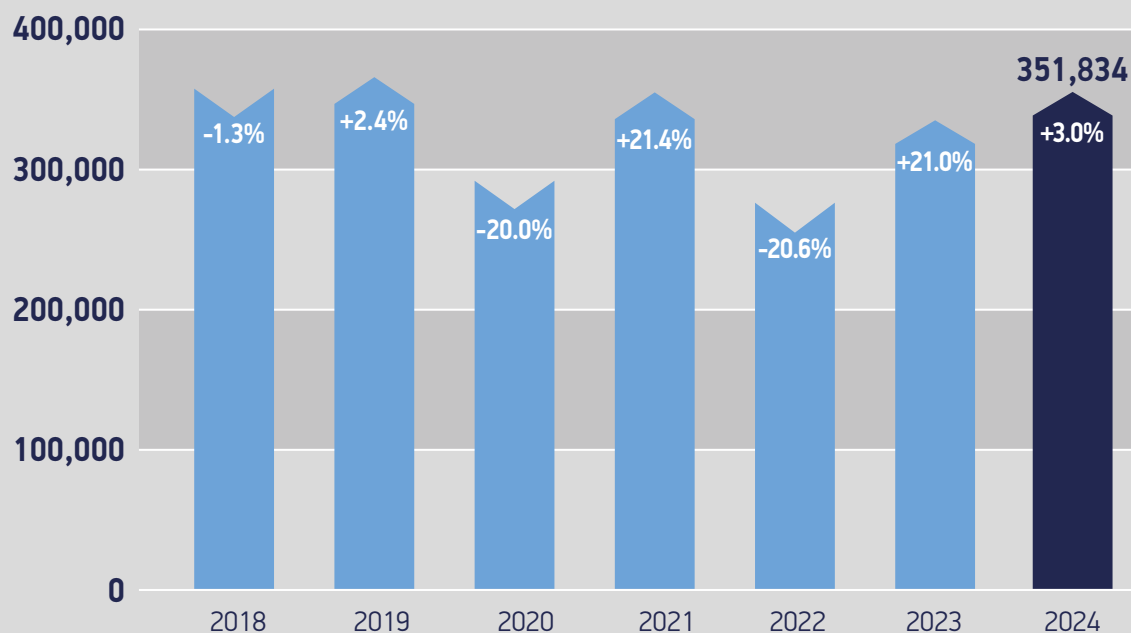
Model	Volume	Segment share
Kia Sportage	47,163	7.4%
Hyundai Tucson	32,174	5.0%
Volvo XC40	30,202	4.7%
Volkswagen Tiguan	25,837	4.1%
Ford Kuga	25,663	4.0%

Segment total: 637,142

Model	Volume	Segment share
Tesla Model Y	32,862	42.6%
Dacia Jogger	10,267	13.3%
Peugeot Scenic	4,106	5.3%
Peugeot Rifter	3,399	4.4%
Ford Tourneo Connect	3,171	4.1%

Segment total: 77,109

Van registrations – 2018 to 2024



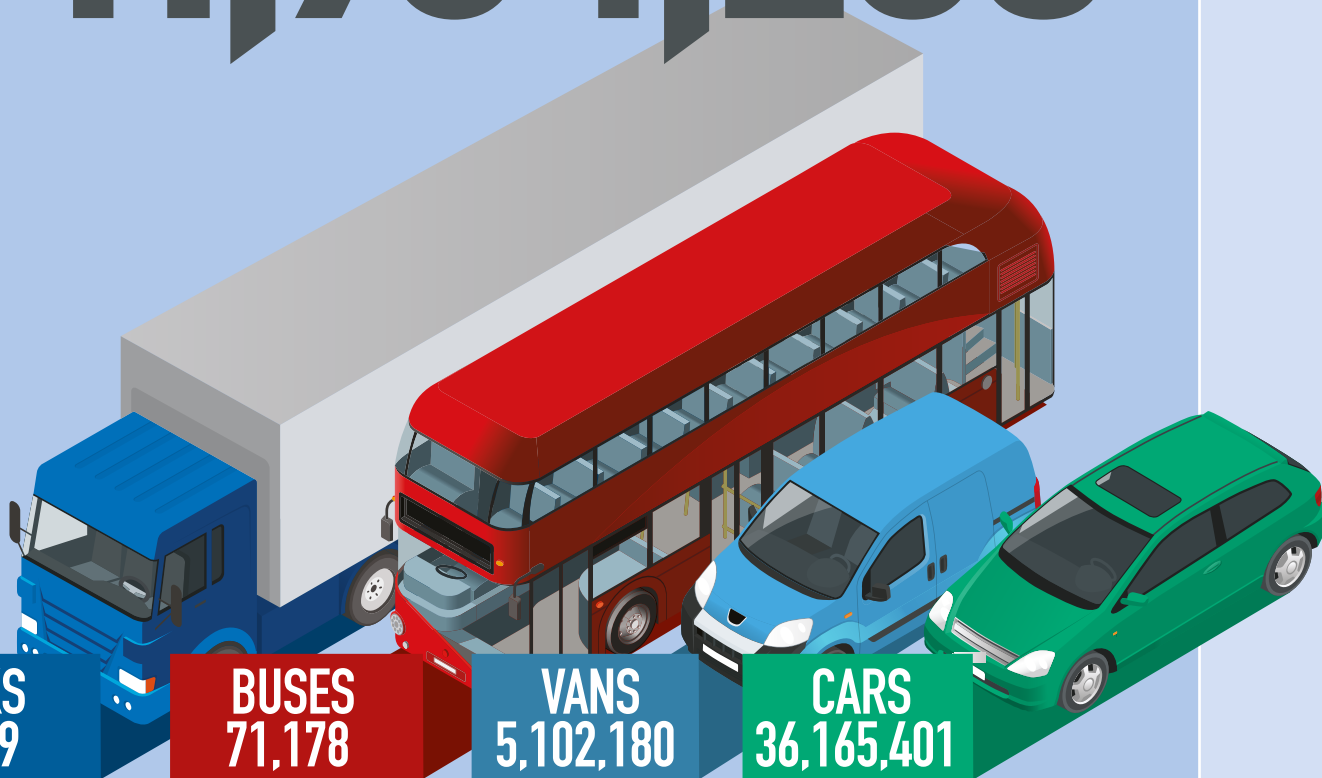
2024 HGV, bus and coach registrations

	Rigids	Artics	Bus and coach
2024	25,909	19,079	8,390
Change on 2023	6.0%	-12.4%	70.1%



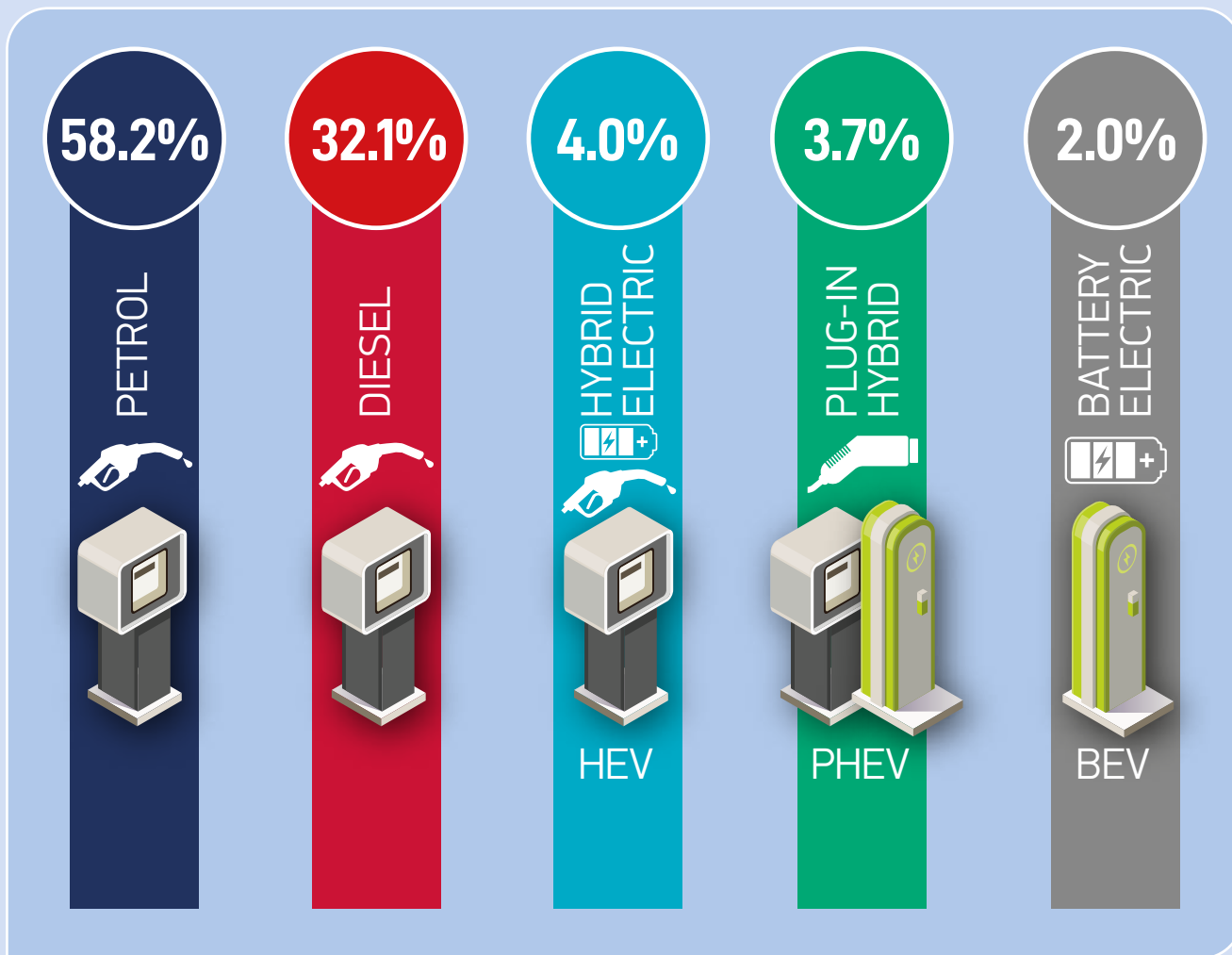
TOTAL VEHICLES ON THE ROAD

41,964,268



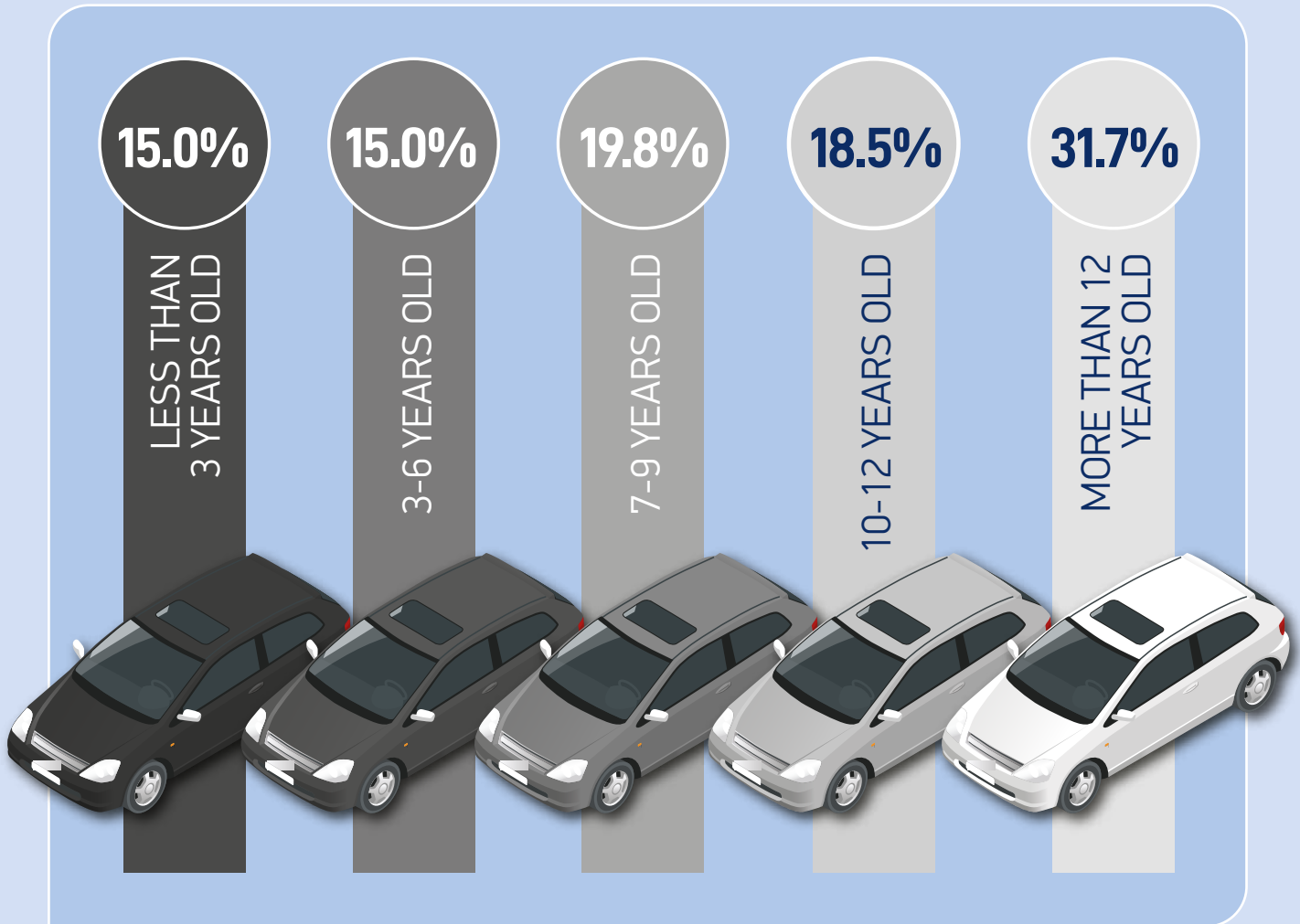
Source: Motorparc 2024 Data

WHAT'S POWERING OUR CARS?



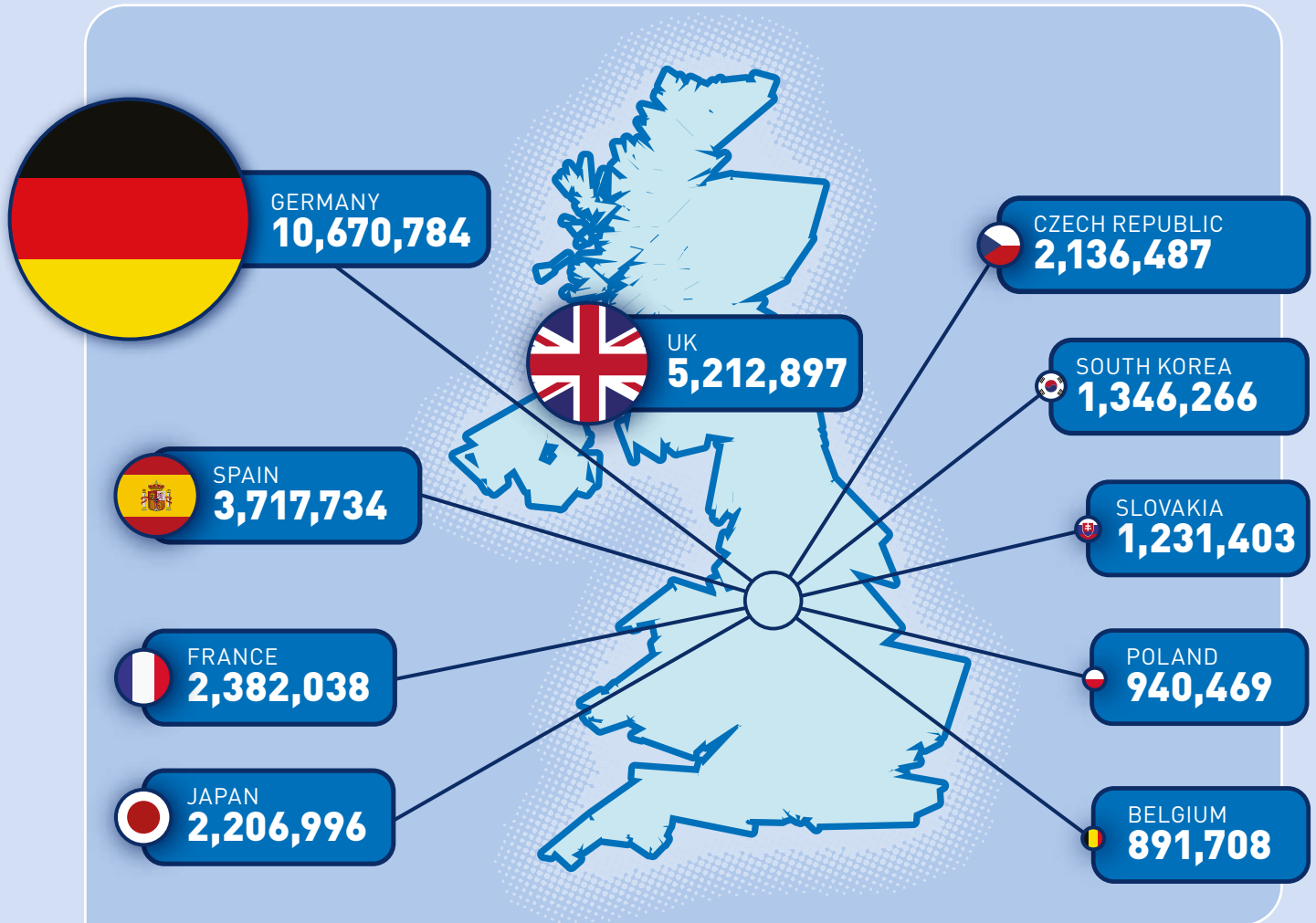
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AN AGEING CAR FLEET



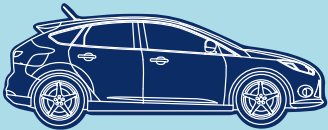
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TOP 10 CAR COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN

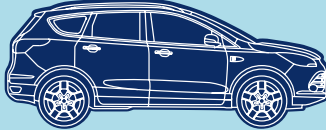


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TOTAL CARS ON THE ROAD IN EACH SEGMENT



LOWER MEDIUM
9,524,299



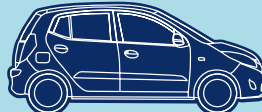
DUAL PURPOSE
6,176,729



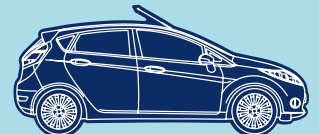
EXECUTIVE
1,426,705



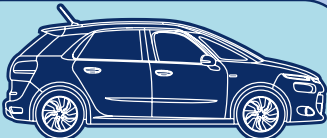
LUXURY SALOON
182,976



MINI
850,614



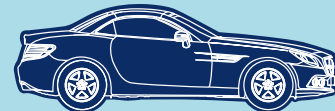
SUPER MINI
11,893,199



MULTI PURPOSE
1,571,261



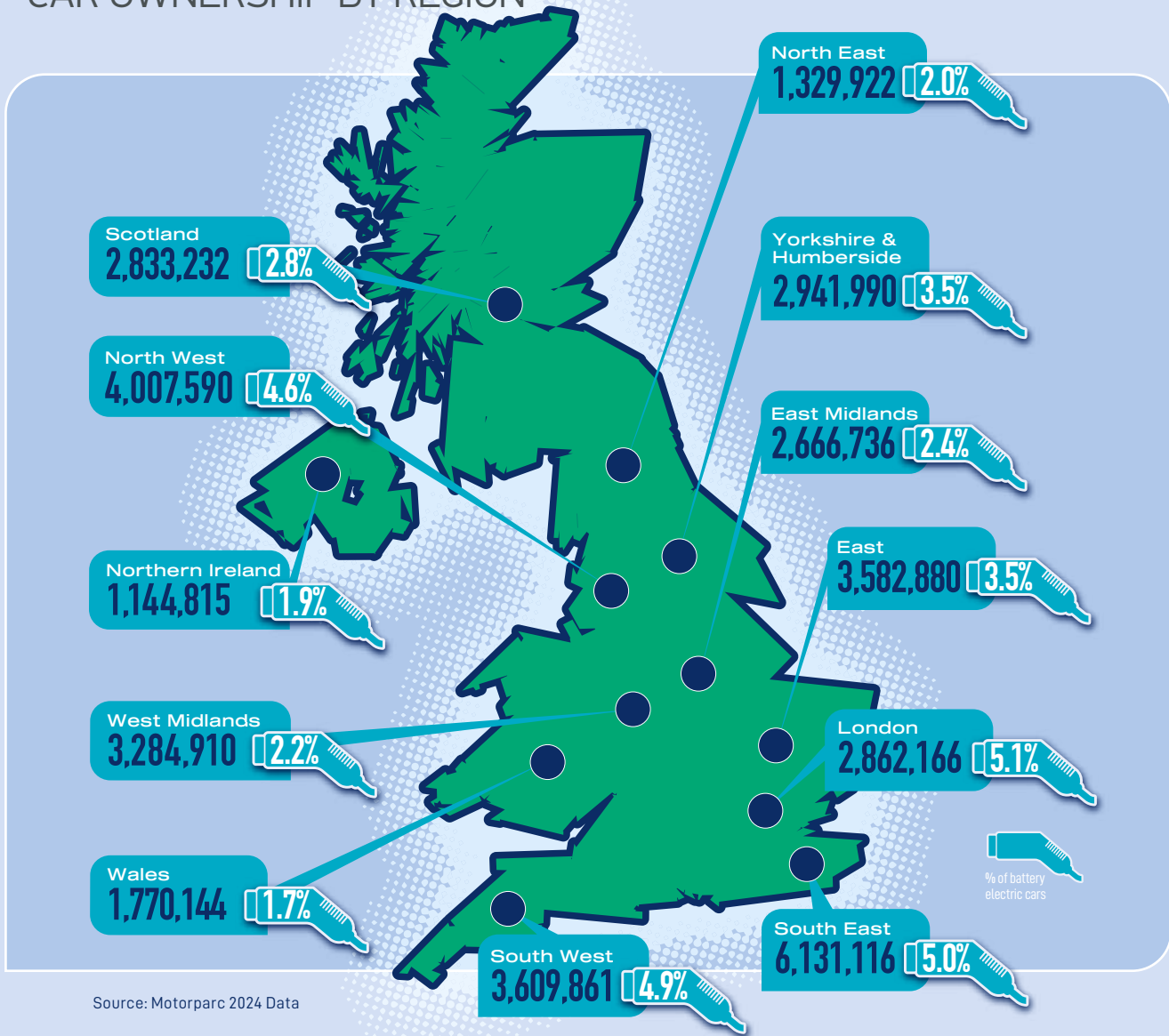
UPPER MEDIUM
3,210,718



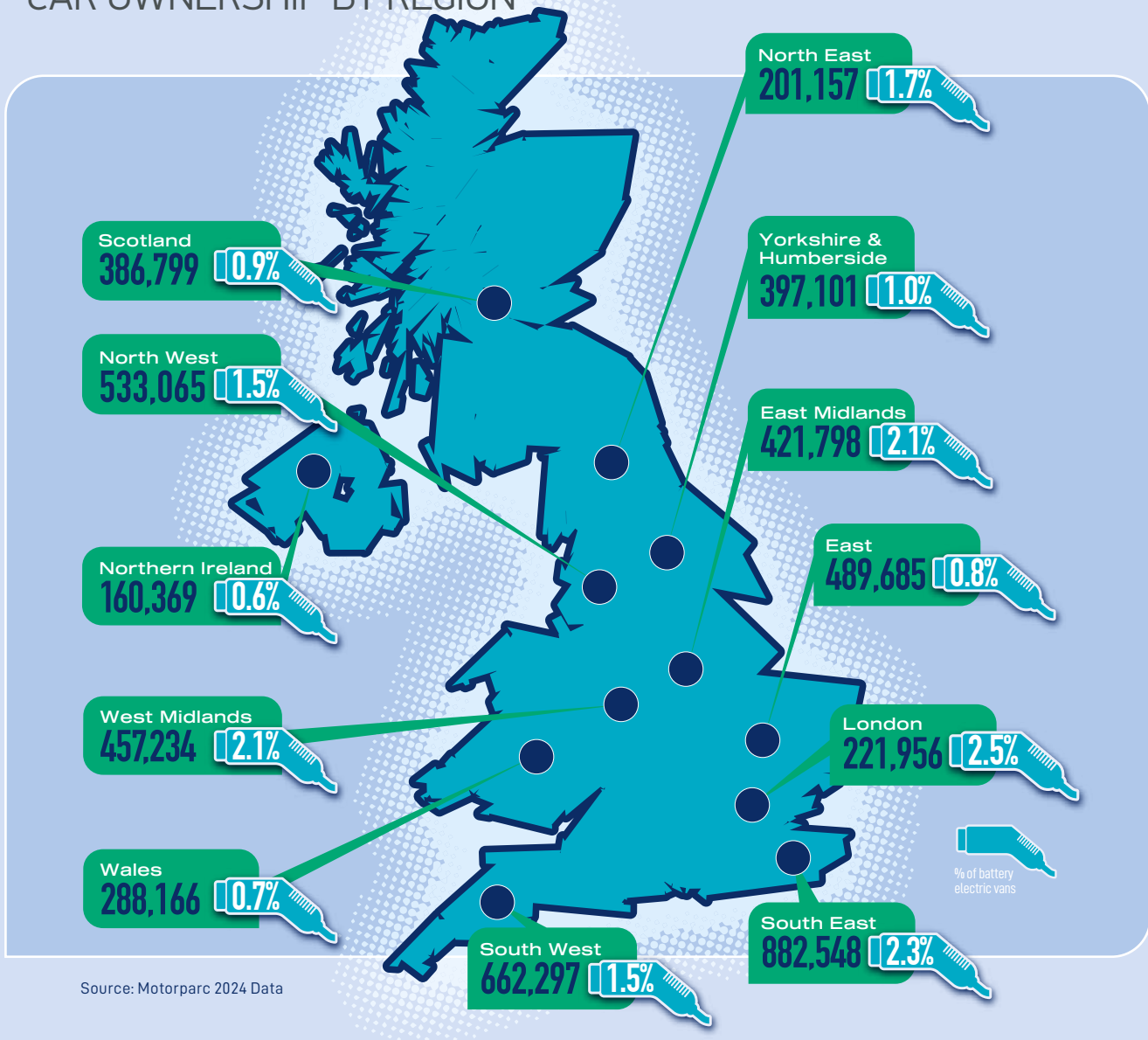
SPECIALIST SPORTS
1,088,779

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CAR OWNERSHIP BY REGION

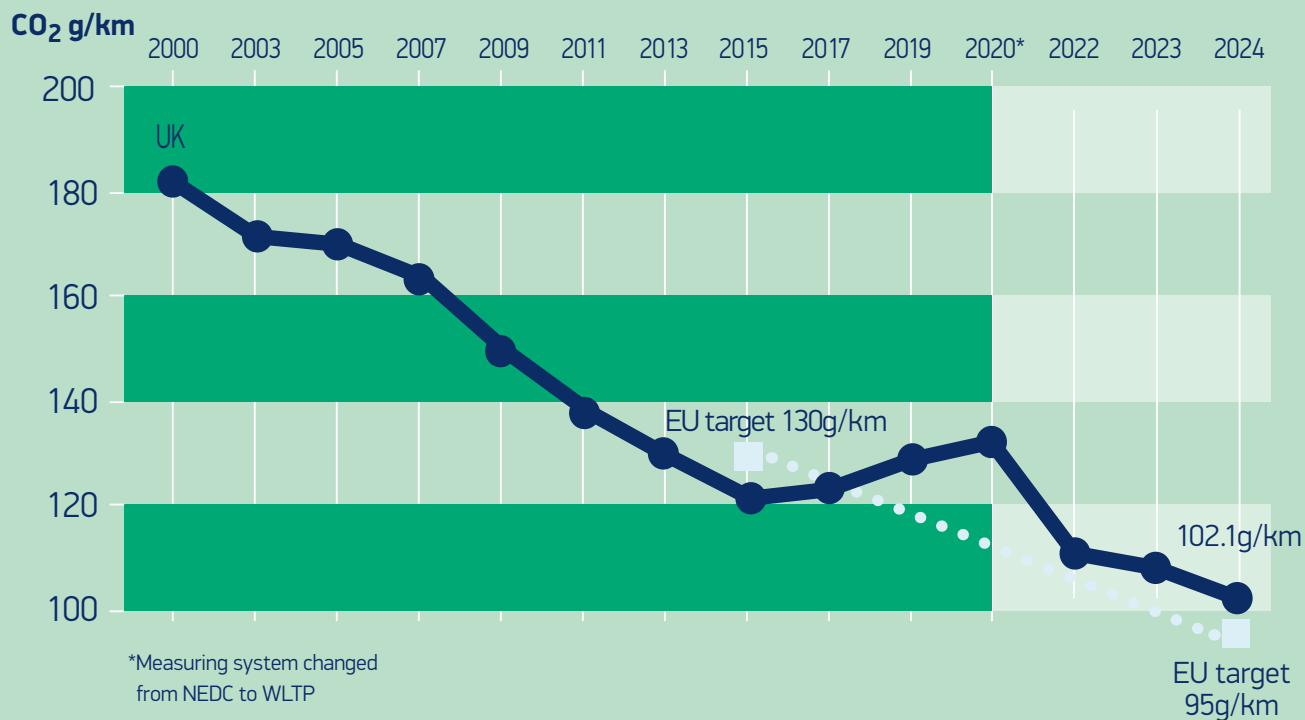


CAR OWNERSHIP BY REGION



AVERAGE
CO₂
EMISSIONS
FOR NEW
CARS FELL

-6.2%
IN 2024



Source: SMMT 2024

Potential overall impact of CAVs on the UK economy by 2040

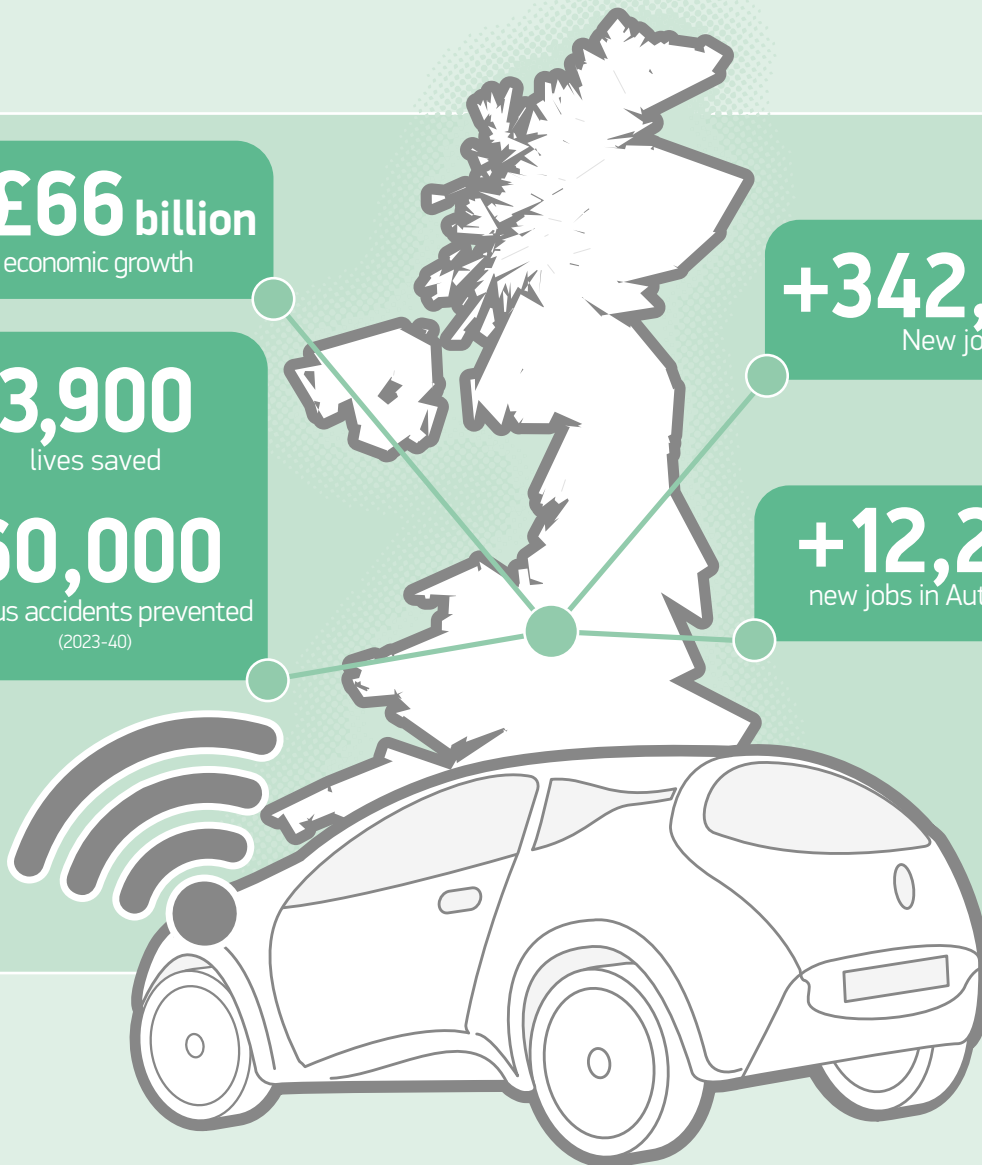
+£66 billion
economic growth

3,900
lives saved

60,000
serious accidents prevented
(2023-40)

+342,000
New jobs

+12,250
new jobs in Automotive



Source: Connected and Automated Mobility: The UK Economic and Market Opportunities - SMMT, Automotive Council, Zenic and Innovate UK report 2023

8 in 10

new cars available with driver assistance systems



Distance Indication

helps drivers keep a safe following distance from the vehicle ahead.

80.8%

of new cars are available with Advanced Emergency Braking System technology



Advanced Emergency Braking System

reacts quickly to apply the brakes in the event of a collision.

68.7%

of new cars are available with Adaptive Cruise Control



Adaptive Cruise Control

automatically adjusts speed to maintain a safe distance from vehicles ahead.

83.6%

of new cars offered with a self-activating safety system



Auto High Beam detects headlights and tail lights of other vehicles and automatically switches to high or low beams.

2.2 million

buyers a year able to benefit from collision avoidance technology



Forward Collision Warning

warns drivers of an imminent frontal collision.

54.2%

of new cars are available with Overtaking Sensors



Blind Spot Information System

helps detect vehicles in driver's blind spot when changing lane.

Source: Latest driver assistance technology vehicle content analysis conducted by JATO Dynamics

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