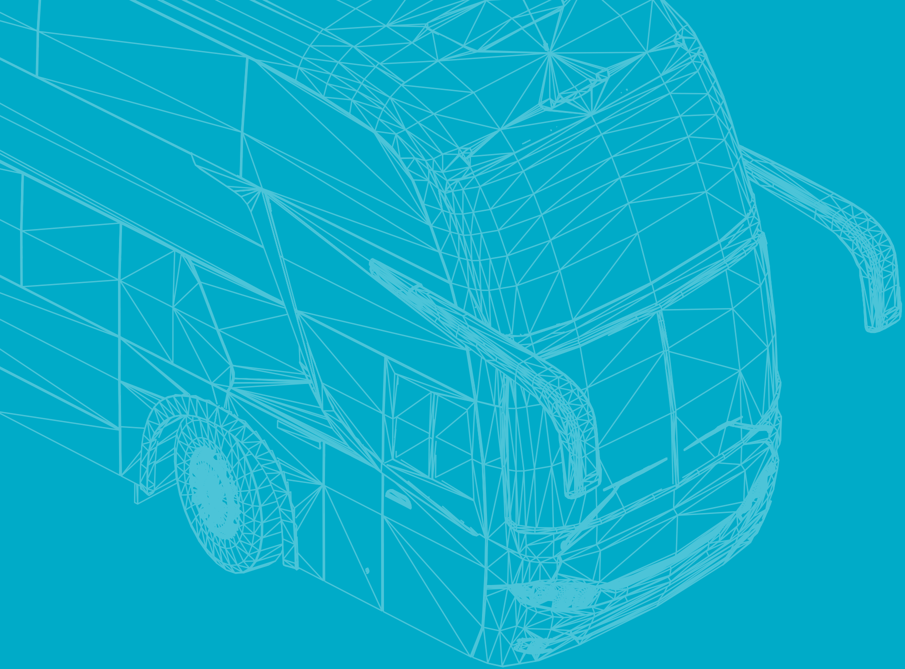

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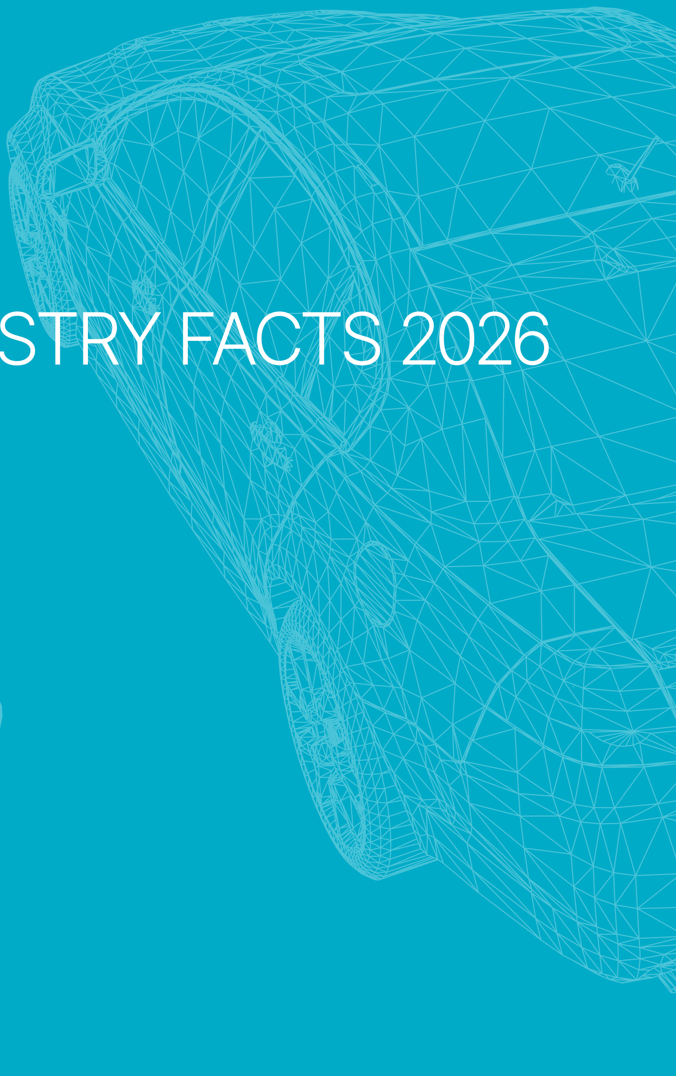

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2,500+ Suppliers

23 R&D centres

£92 billion
UK automotive turnover in 2024

555,826
Cars (not vehicles) exported in 2025

717,371
Cars built in 2025

2,020,520
New cars registered in 2025

796,000
People employed across wider UK Auto

47,344
Commercial vehicles built in 2025

315,422
LCVs registered 2025

41,964,268
Vehicles on UK roads in 2024

1,608,100
Engines built in the UK 2025

*inclusive of manufacturers and converters

UK AUTOMOTIVE EMPLOYMENT

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 8% 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 **£92bn**

Private sector investment **£7.9bn** in 2024

Invested **£5bn** in R&D

Added **£25bn** in value to the UK economy

Exported products worth

£43.5bn

accounting for **13.4%** *of the UK's total export goods*

Top fives in production – 2025

Cars by brand

Make	Volume
Nissan	273,322
Land Rover	194,115
BMW/MINI	124,271
Toyota	89,369
Bentley	9,943

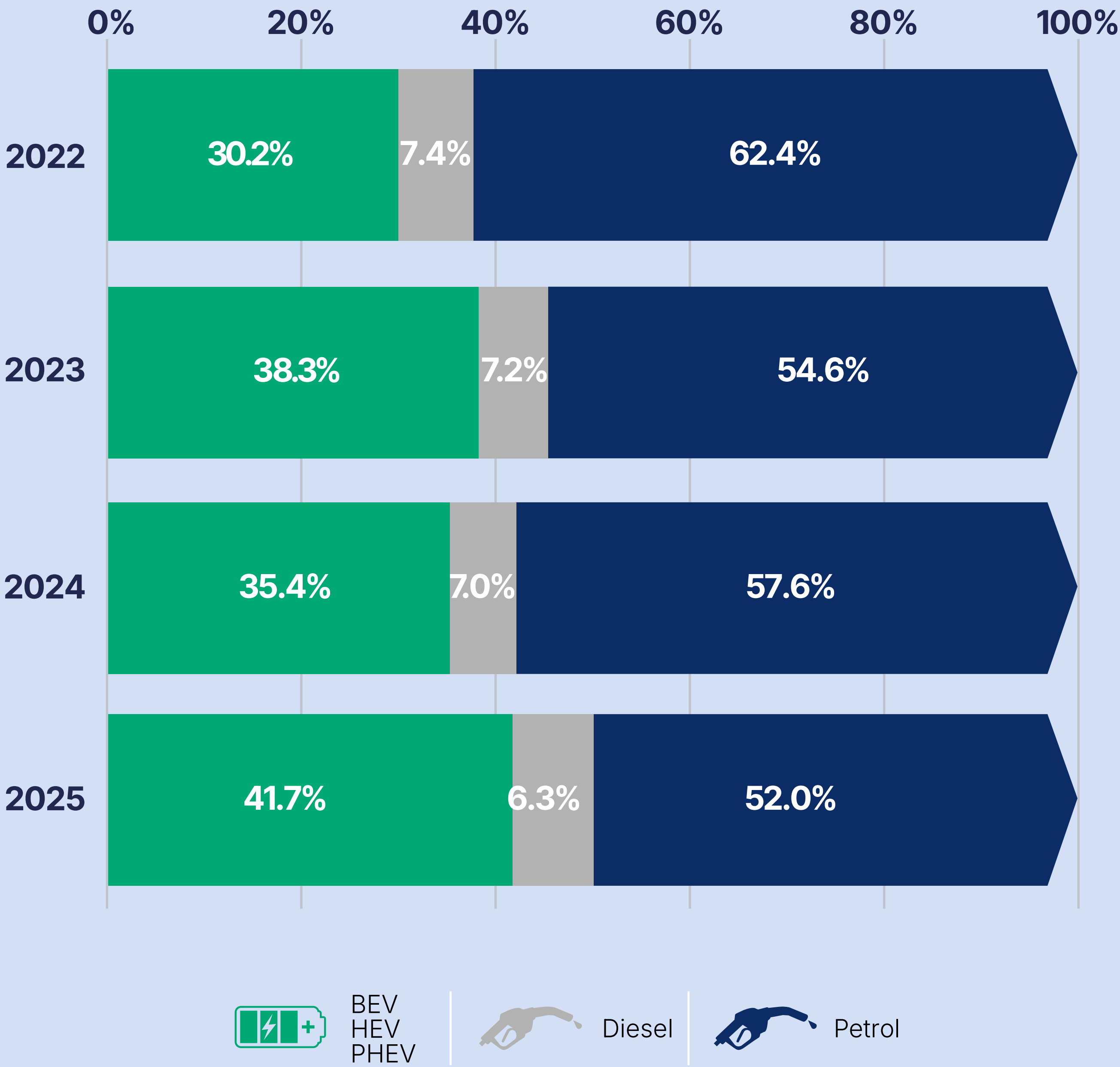
Cars by model

Model	Volume
Nissan Qashqai	172,641
MINI	124,271
Nissan Juke	100,446
Toyota Corolla	89,369
Range Rover Sport	70,609

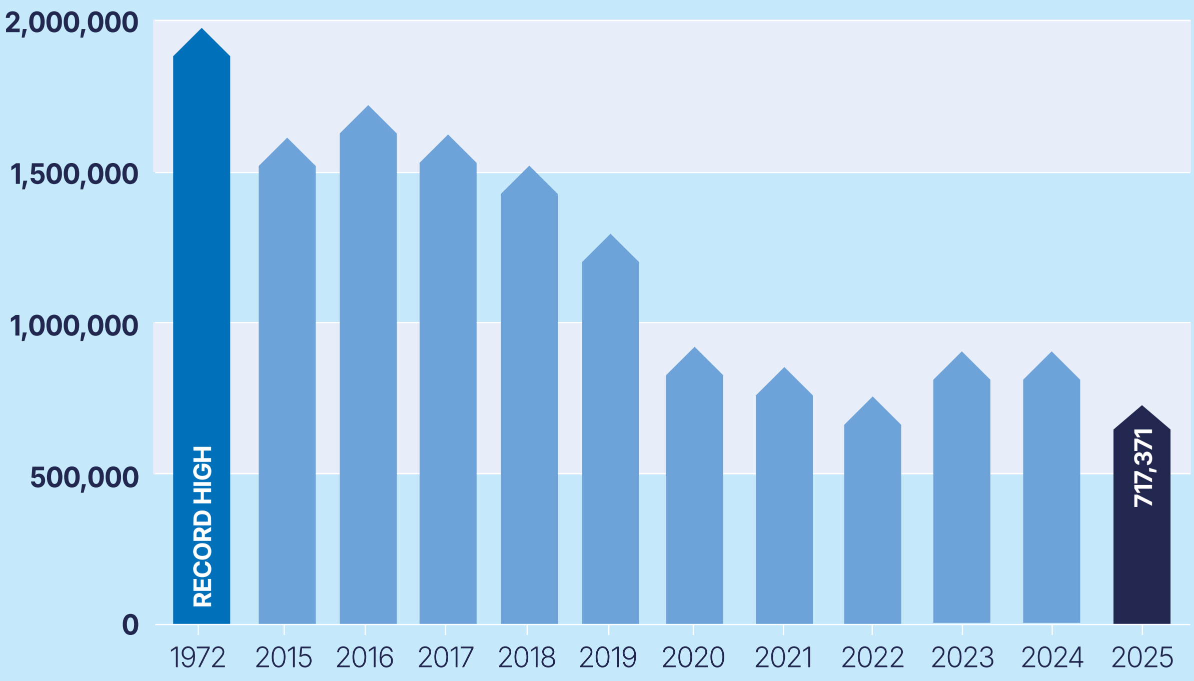
Commercial vehicles by brand

Make	Volume
Stellantis (Citroën, Fiat, IBC, Opel, Peugeot & Vauxhall)	26,451
Leyland Trucks	15,141
Toyota	2,767
Dennis Eagle	1,046
Wrightbus	952

UK CAR PRODUCTION BY FUEL TYPE, 2022-2025



UK car manufacturing 2015 to 2025



717,371

cars built in the UK in 2025

UK car manufacturing – 2024 to 2025

	2024	2025	% Change
Total	779,584	717,371	-8.0%
Home	176,019	161,545	-8.2%
Export	603,565	555,826	-7.9%
% Export	77.4%	77.5%	

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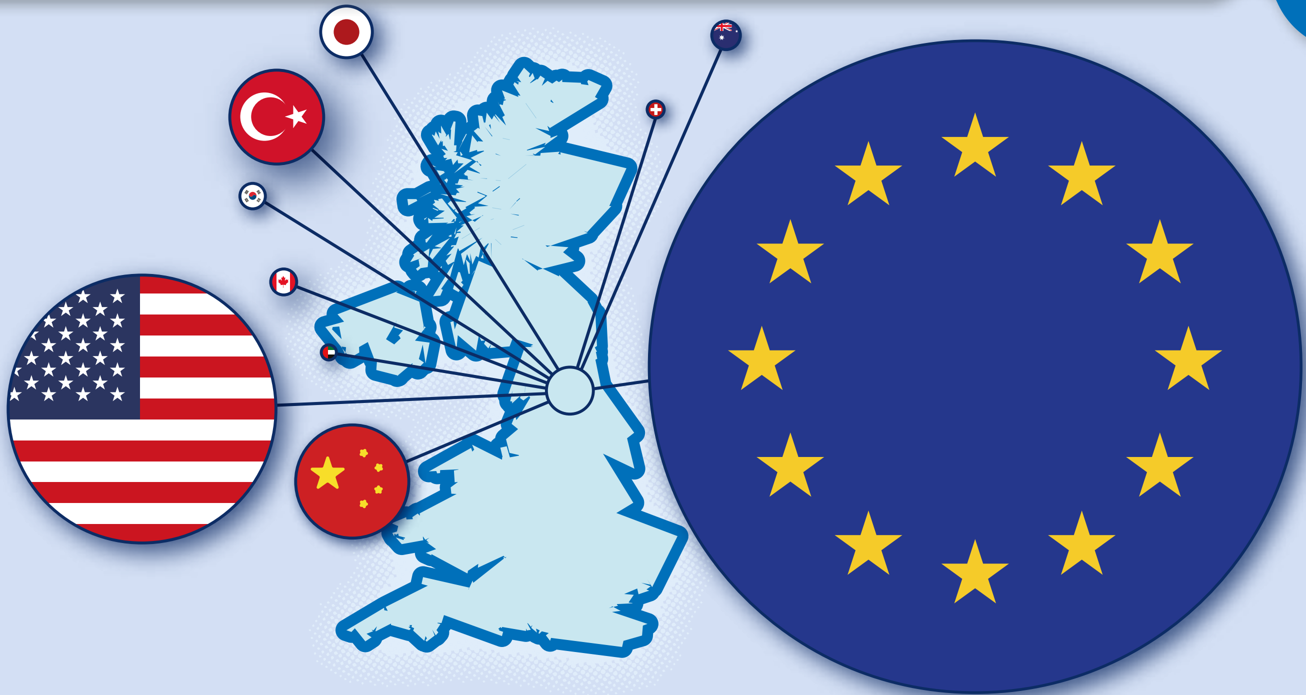


TOP EXPORT DESTINATIONS FOR UK CARS

Worldwide		Share of exports			
EU27	315,175	56.7%	Canada	9,123	1.6%
USA	83,196	15.0%	Australia	8,496	1.5%
China	35,017	6.3%	South Korea	8,319	1.5%
Turkey	29,672	5.3%	Switzerland	5,114	0.9%
Japan	15,901	2.9%	UAE	5,059	0.9%

555,826
cars manufactured for export in 2025

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 2024

Rank	Country	Cars	Vans	Trucks	Buses	TOTAL
1	Germany	3,942,396	198,021	142,087	4,497	4,287,001
2	Spain	1,872,988	467,469	32,554	1,400	2,374,411
3	Czechia	1,446,855	0	1,429	4,290	1,452,574
4	France	849,437	498,576	68,270	2,703	1,418,986
5	Slovakia	993,750	0	0	–	993,750
6	Poland	224,017	336,347	43,885	7,019	611,268
7	**United Kingdom**	**717,371**	**47,344**	–	–	**764,715**
8	Italy	309,336	224,454	55,066	1,445	590,301
9	Romania	473,110	84,294	0	0	557,404
10	Hungary	435,541	0	0	839	436,380
11	Portugal	229,095	92,042	2,205	173	323,515

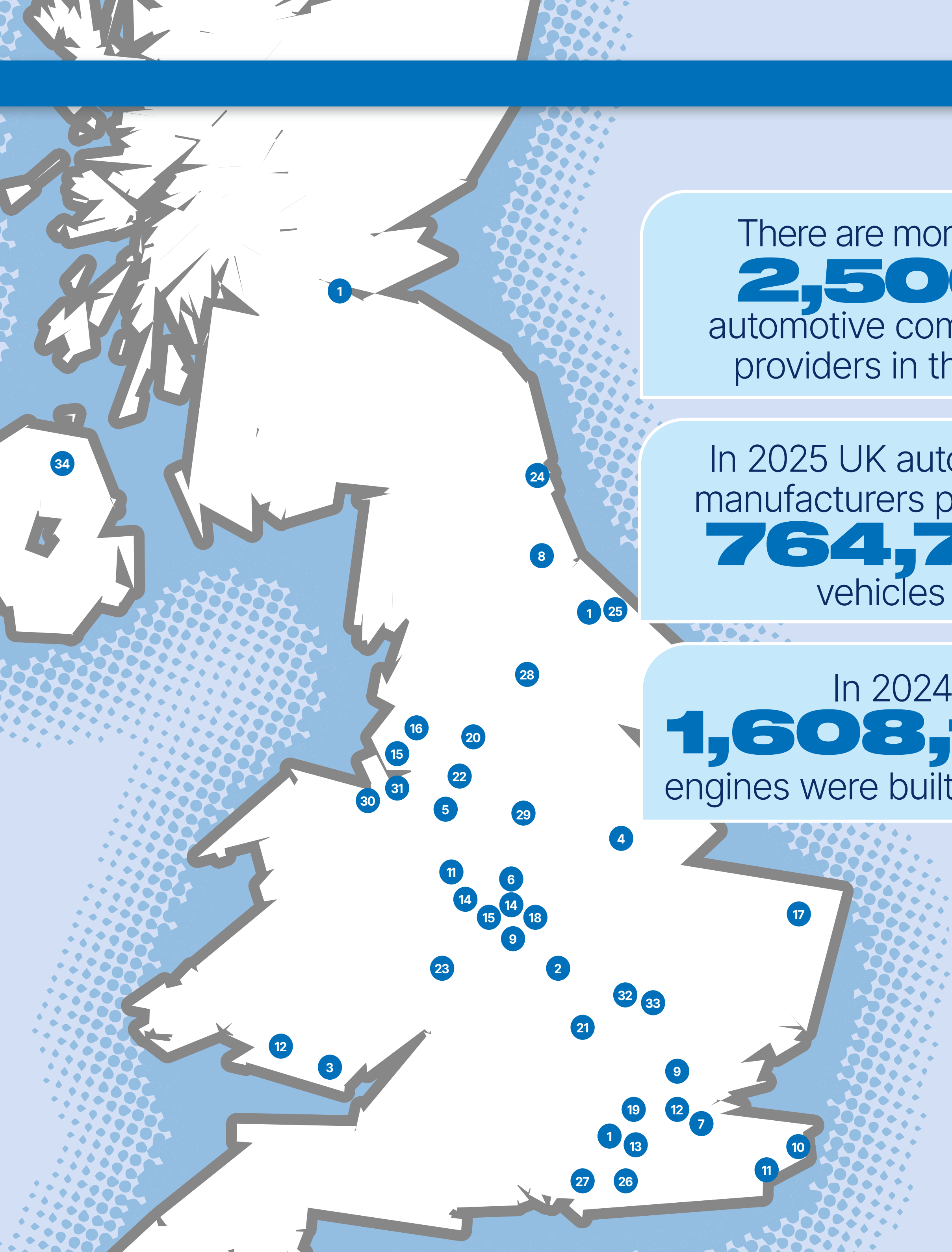
Data from ACEA: www.acea.auto/figure/motor-vehicle-production-in-eu-by-country/

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, 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	Castle Bromwich and Wolverhampton	Car and battery	F-Type
15	Land Rover	Solihull and Halewood	Car	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

Key	Manufacturer	Location	Sector	Model
18	LEVC	Coventry	CV	TX Taxi, VN5
19	McLaren Automotive	Woking	Car	Artura (and Spider version), 750S (and Spider version), GTS
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, Vivaro, 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 2025 UK automotive manufacturers produced

764,715

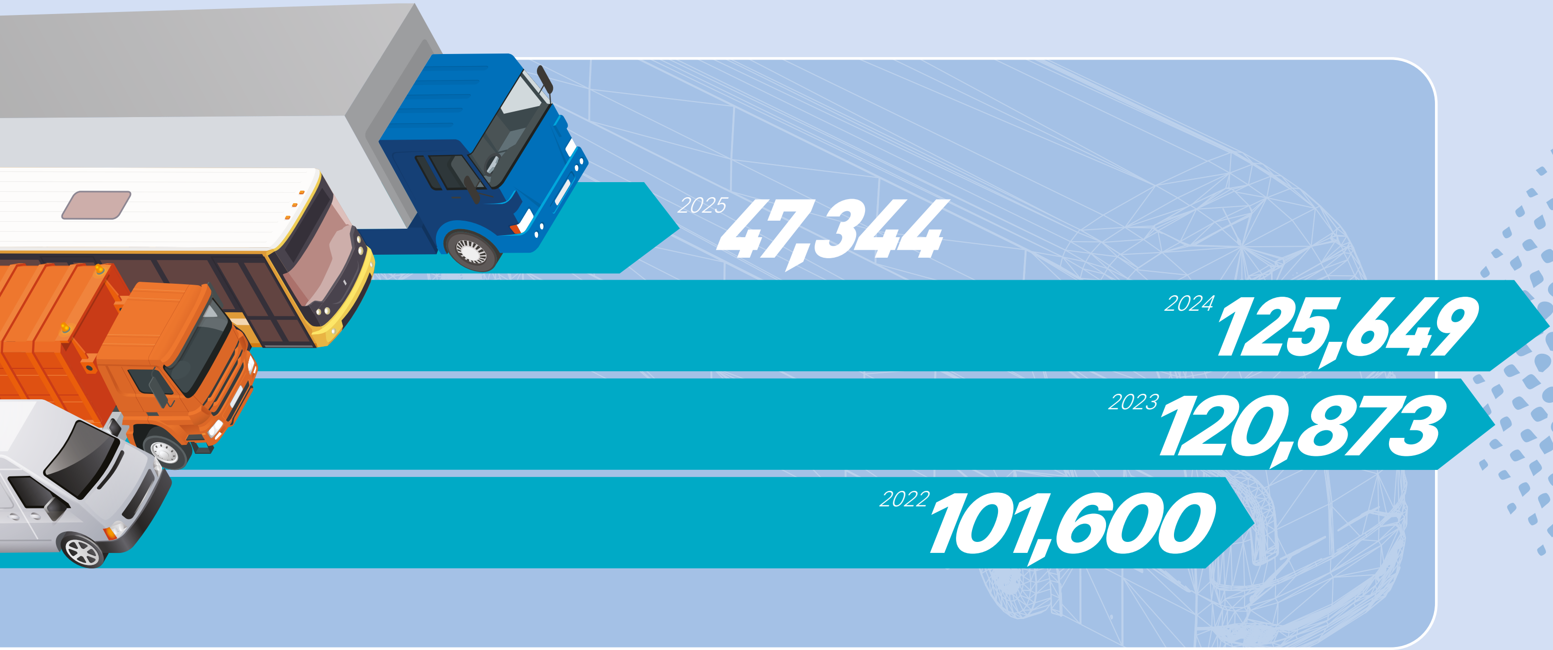
vehicles

In 2024

1,608,100

engines were built in the UK

Total UK commercial vehicle manufacturing volumes: 2022 to 2025



UK commercial vehicle manufacturing – 2024 vs 2025

	2024	2025	% Change
Total	125,649	47,344	-62.3%
Home	43,552	25,590	-41.2%
Export	82,097	21,754	-73.5%
% export	65.3%	45.9%	

Proportion of British-built CVs exported to global markets

45.9%

in 2025

92.4%

of CVs produced for export were sent to the EU in 2025

UK engine manufacturing **up 1.2%** in 2025

Total units

1,608,100

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.

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NET ZERO MOBILITY FOR ALL

GREEN SKILLS FOR A GREENER FUTURE

MADE IN BRITAIN – MADE FOR THE WORLD

POWERING THE UK CLEAN TECH REVOLUTION

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79,000
people employed in the UK supply chain

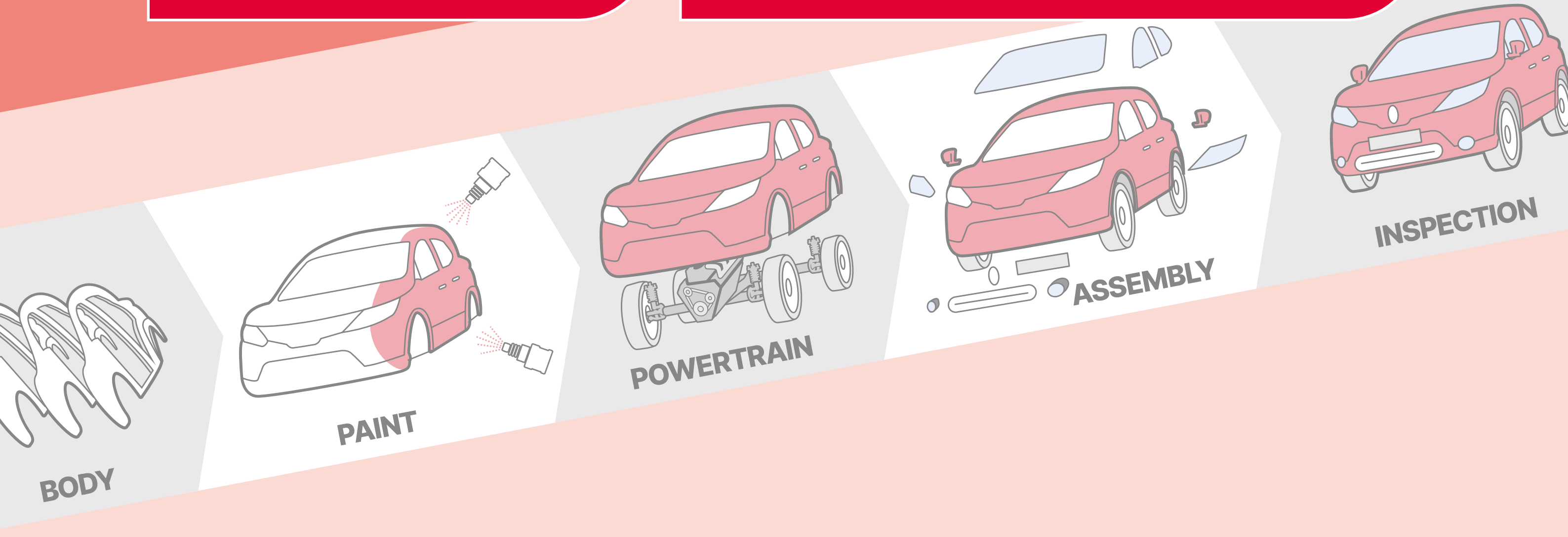
£15.5bn
revenue of UK suppliers

£4.2bn
added value generated by suppliers each year

5,000
in the wider supply chain

2,500+
automotive suppliers in the UK

17
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

BATTERY SYSTEMS

- Battery components
- Battery development
- Battery pack assembly
- Battery testing
- Cell components
- Cells
- Raw materials
- Refurb, re-use and recycling

HYDROGEN

- Fuel cell components
- Fuel cell system integration
- Hydrogen storage

ELECTRIFIED POWERTRAIN

- Electric drive unit
- E-motor components
- Full powertrain
- Hybrid transmissions
- Powertrain design and development
- Testing

POWER ELECTRONICS

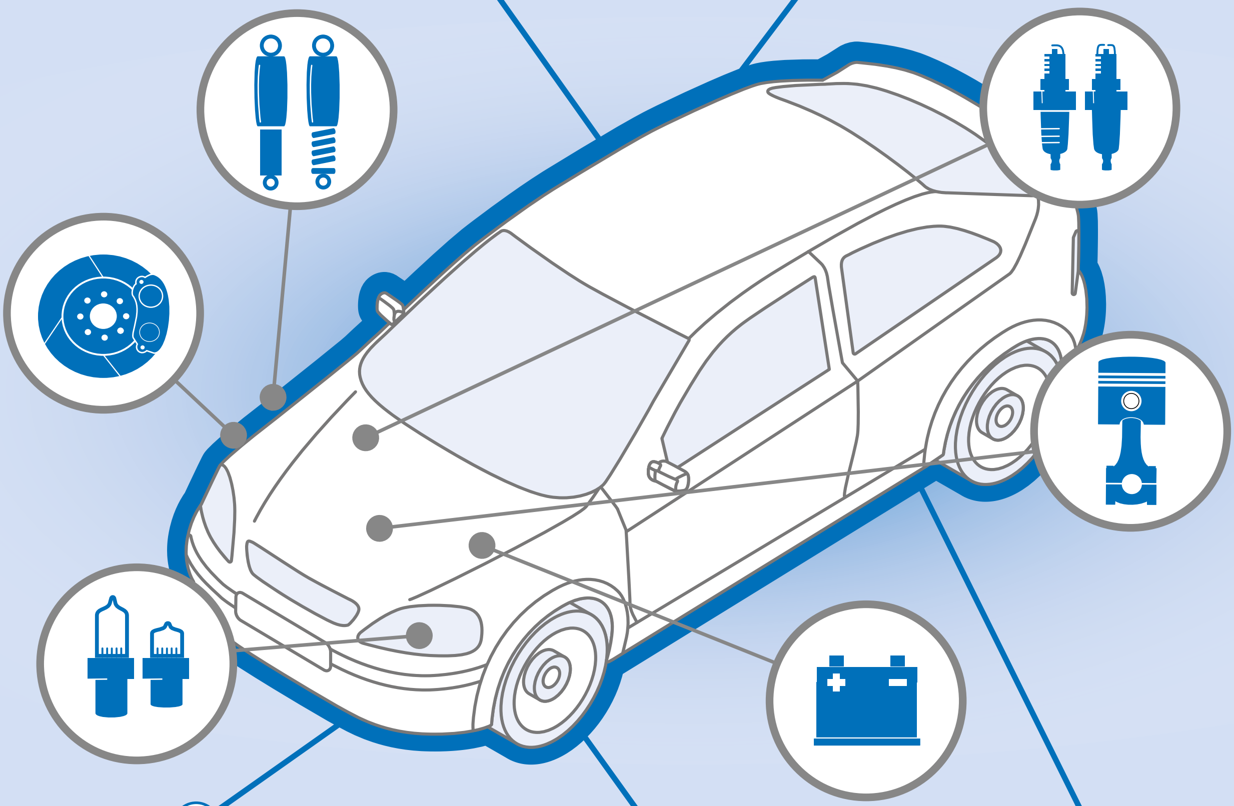
- Component design
- Control electronic & software
- Inverters
- Power electronics assembly
- Semiconductors
- Wiring Harnesses

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

THE IMPORTANCE OF THE AFTERMARKET TO THE UK ECONOMY

£17.1 billion
contribution to UK economy

25,000+
MOT, service and repair sites



£62.2 billion
turnover

57,572
businesses

339,000
jobs supported in UK aftermarket

Data from 2023

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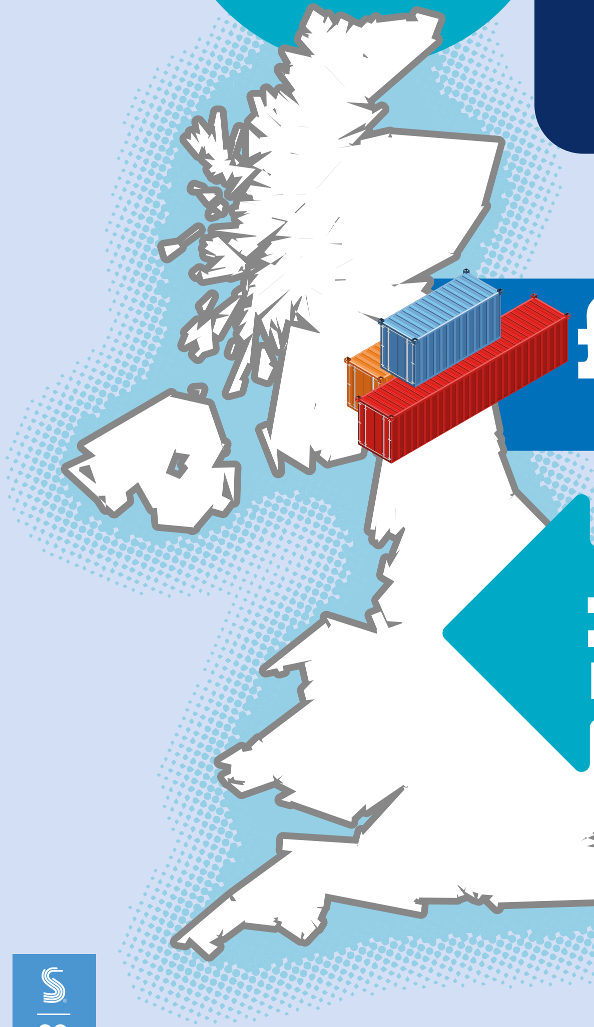
UK VEHICLES ARE ONE OF THE **LARGEST VALUED** TRADE GOODS

SECTOR GENERATES TRADE WORTH MORE THAN

£111.1 BILLION



£38.6 BILLION
Exported in 2024

£72.5 BILLION
Imported in 2024

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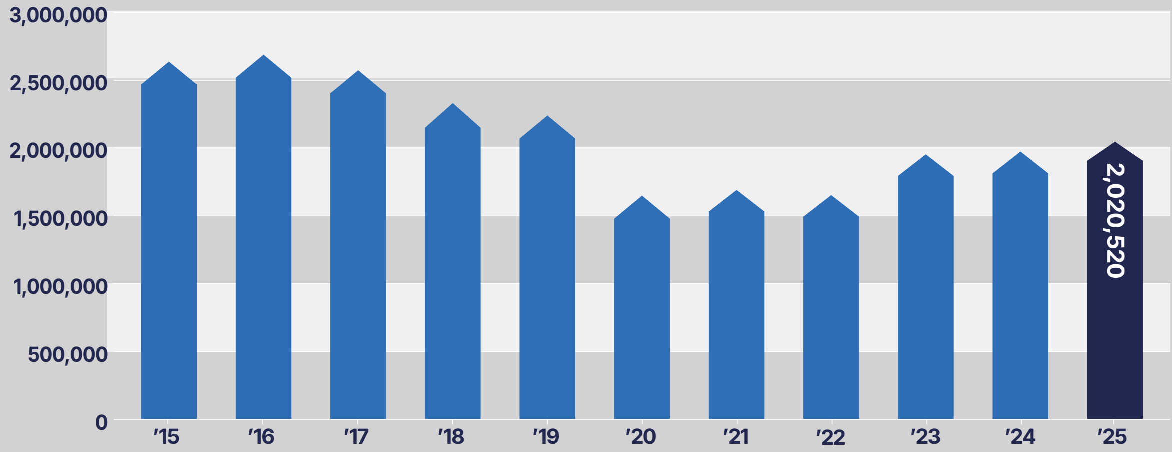
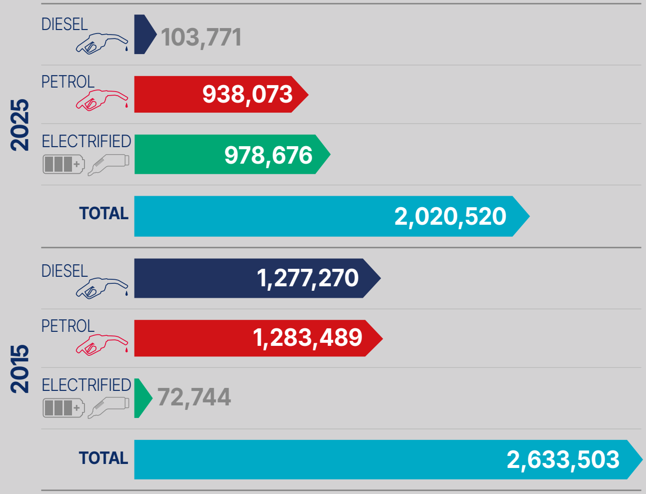
Annual new car registrations – 2015 to 2025



New car registrations by fuel type – 2015 to 2025

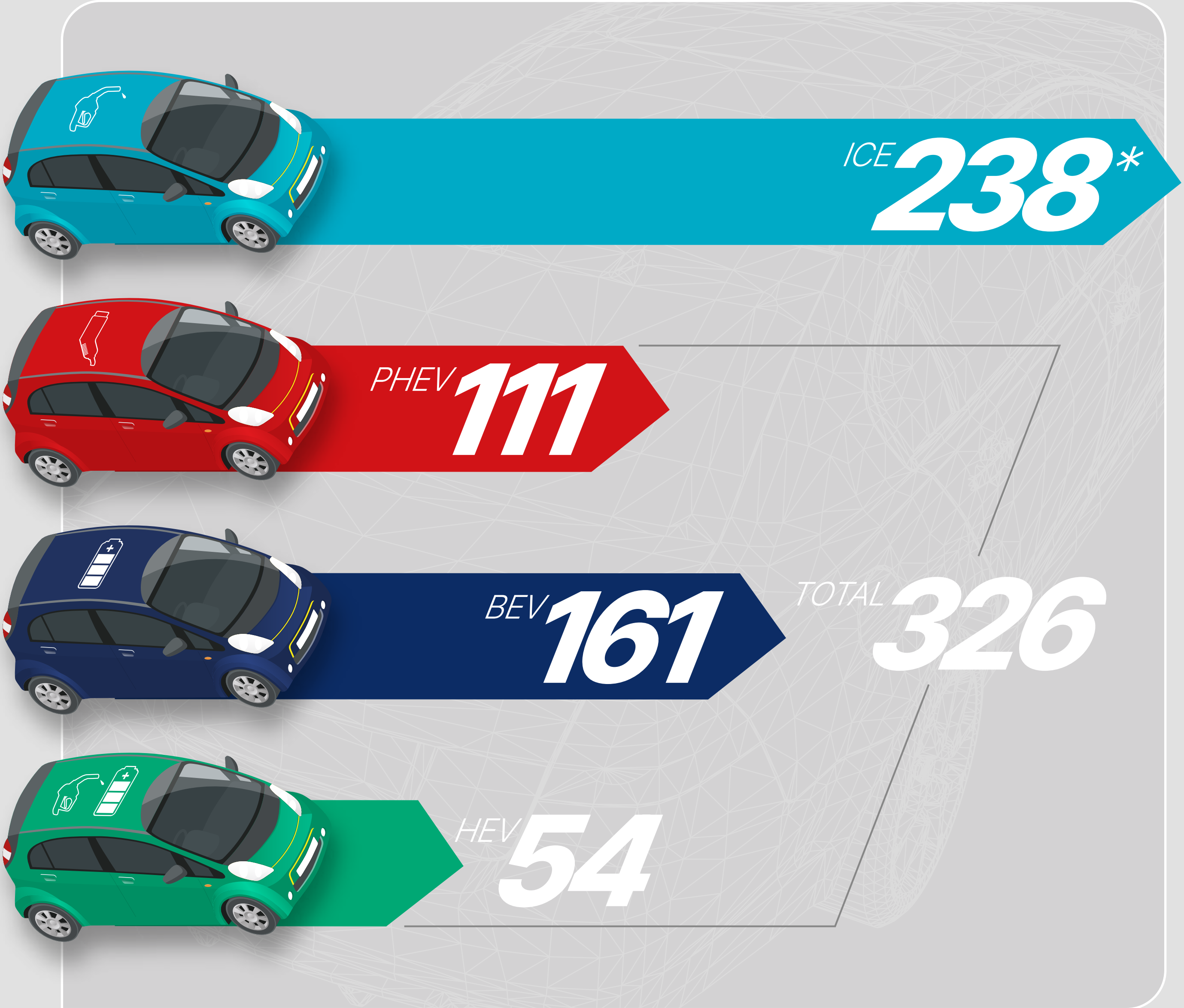


ELECTRIFIED includes MHEVS

Top 10 UK sellers in 2025

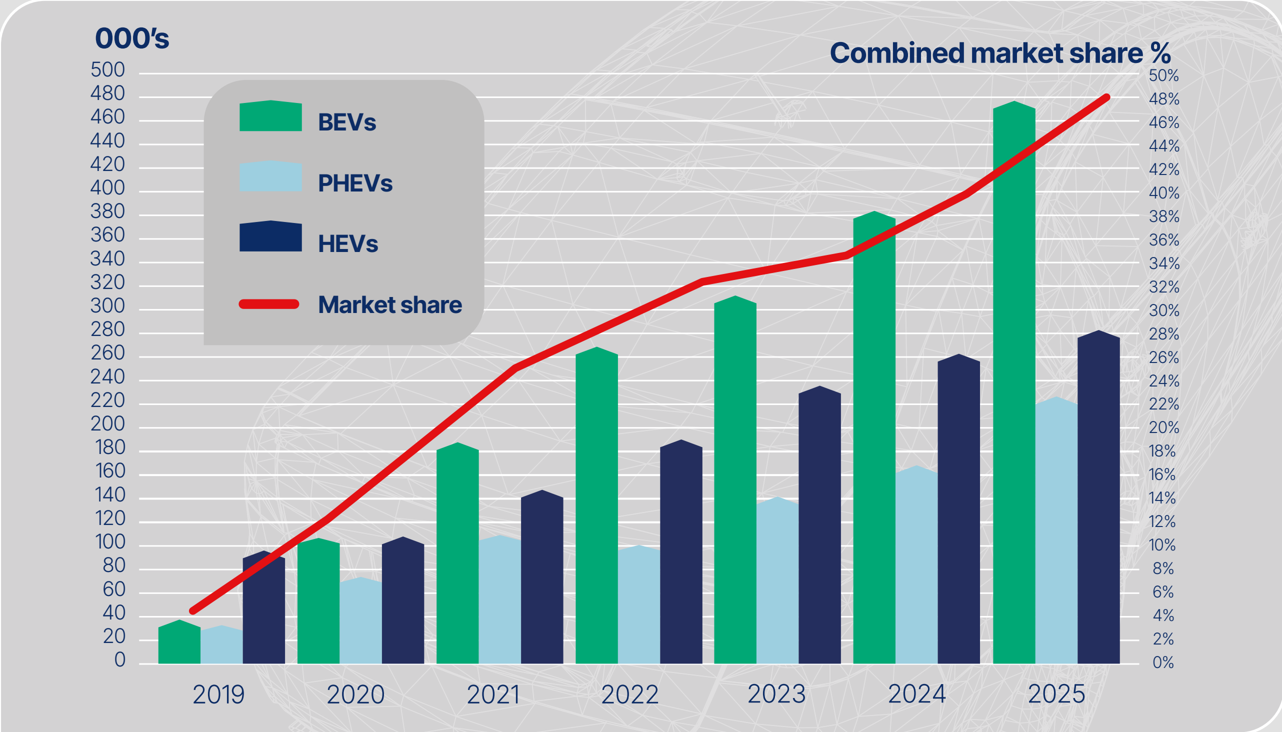
	Model	Volume
1	**Ford Puma**	55,488
2	**Kia Sportage**	47,788
3	**Nissan Qashqai**	41,141
4	**Vauxhall Corsa**	35,947
5	**Nissan Juke**	34,773
6	**Volkswagen Golf**	32,478
7	**Volvo XC40**	30,404
8	**MG HS**	30,191
9	**Volkswagen Tiguan**	29,857
10	**Hyundai Tucson**	28,613

Available electrified and internal combustion engine (ICE) models in 2025



*single model count for diesel, petrol & MHEV

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

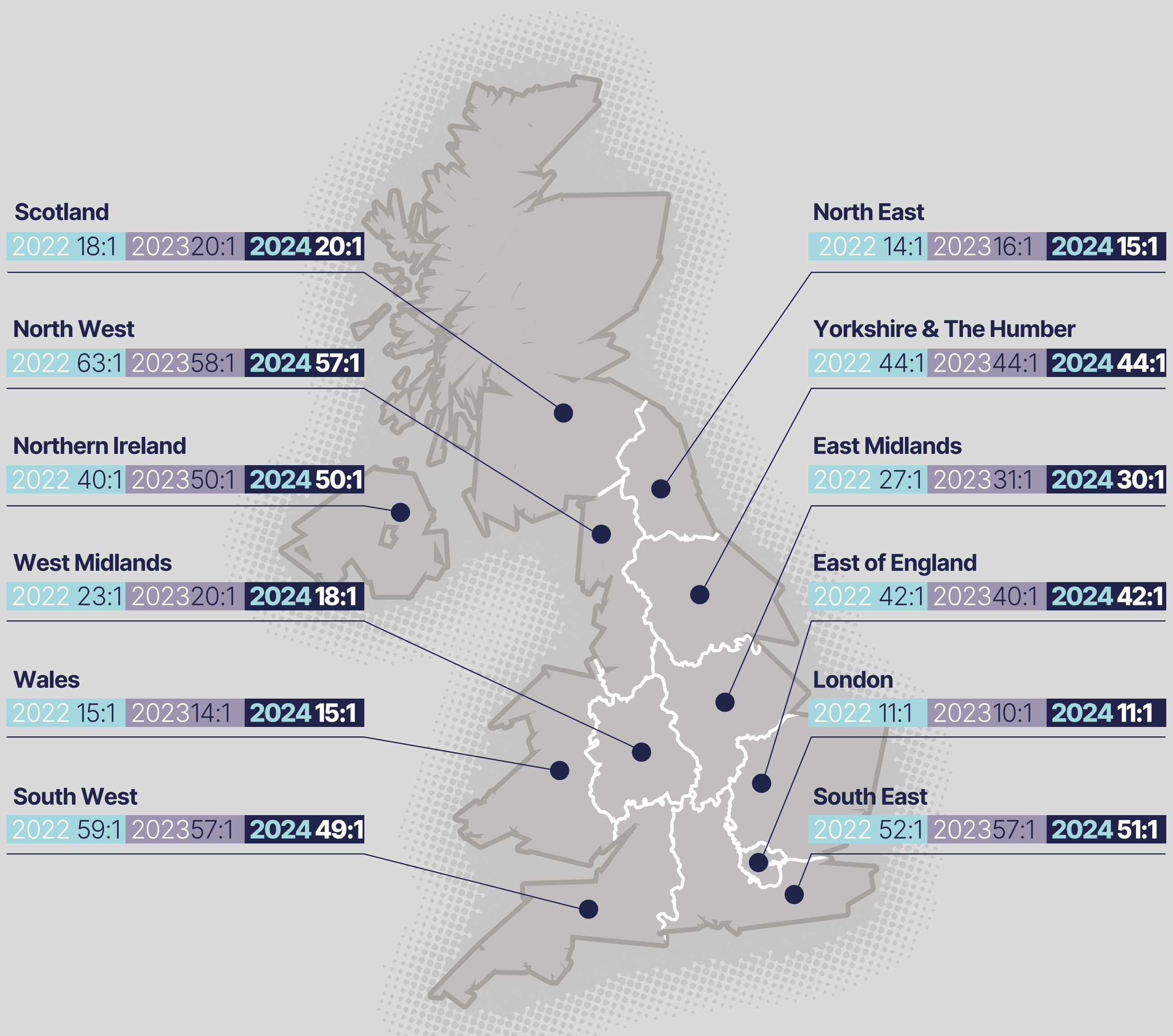


New AFV car registrations – 2024 to 2025

	2024	2025
BEV	381,970	473,348
PHEV	167,178	225,143
HEV	261,398	280,185
MARKET SHARE	41.5%	48.4%

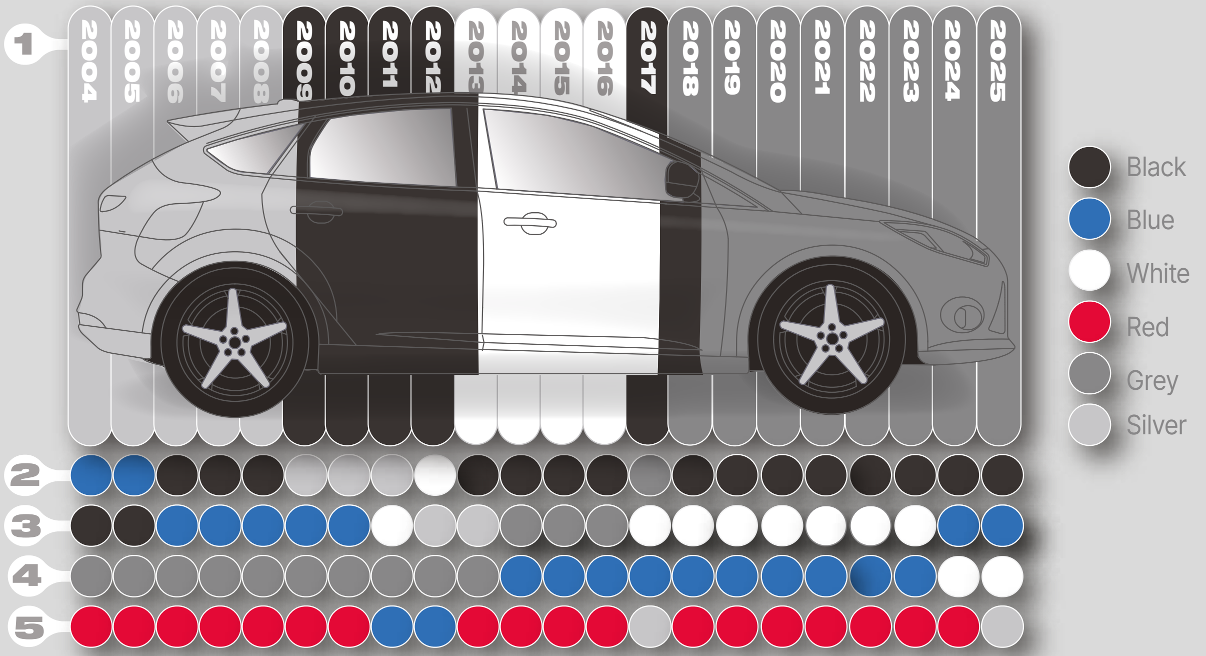
Source: SMMT data

PLUG-IN CARS TO CHARGEPOINT RATIO*

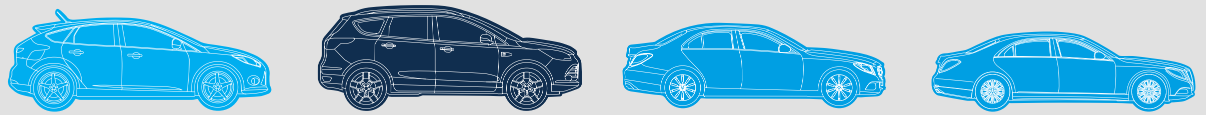


*All plug-in cars to all public chargers ratio

Changing tastes in car colour: Top five, 2004-2025



Shift in market segment – 2015 vs 2025

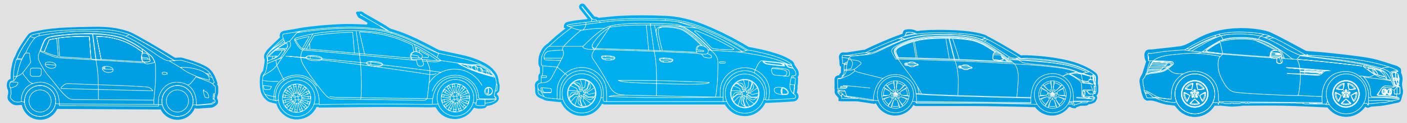


LOWER MEDIUM **-35.2%**
2015 **715,604 /** 2025 **463,504**

DUAL PURPOSE **+117.5%**
2015 **355,118 /** 2025 **772,404**

EXECUTIVE **-80.1%**
2015 **127,666 /** 2025 **25,367**

LUXURY SALOON **-52.3%**
2015 **9,061 /** 2025 **4,318**



MINI **-63.4%**
2015 **70,263 /** 2025 **25,717**

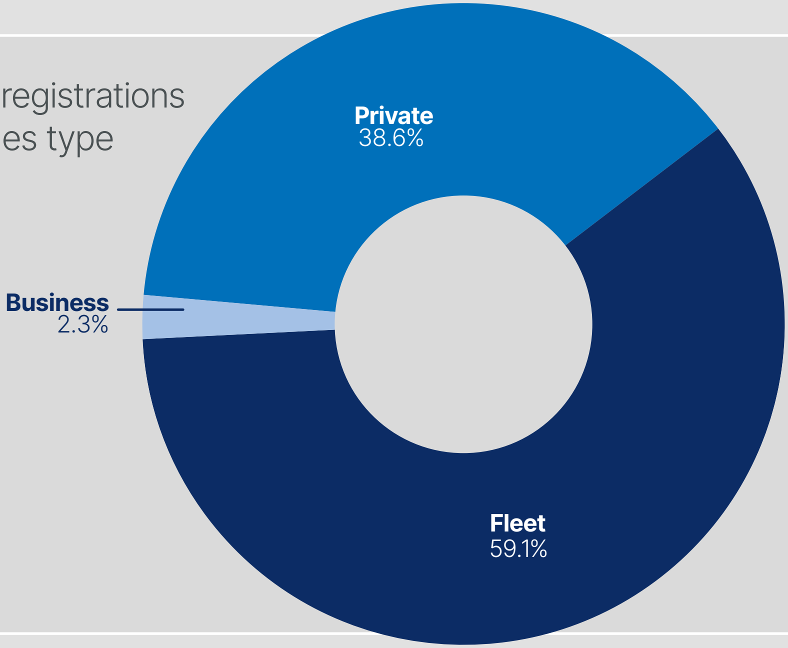
SUPER MINI **-42.7%**
2015 **926,241 /** 2025 **530,579**

MULTI PURPOSE **-42.9%**
2015 **131,085 /** 2025 **74,865**

UPPER MEDIUM **-55.8%**
2015 **249,347 /** 2025 **110,148**

SPECIALIST SPORTS **-72.3%**
2015 **49,118 /** 2025 **13,618**

2025 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 2025 by sales type

Private

Model	Volume
Ford Puma	25,929
MINI MINI Cooper	18,676
Kia Sportage	16,022
Vauxhall Corsa	15,904
Jaecoo 7	15,710

Fleet

Model	Volume
Kia Sportage	30,132
Ford Puma	29,559
Nissan Qashqai	27,090
Nissan Juke	22,602
Volkswagen Tiguan	22,204

Business

Model	Volume
Tesla Model Y	2,409
Nissan Qashqai	2,252
Kia Sportage	1,634
Nissan Juke	1,445
Land Rover Defender	1,413

TOP FIVE NEW CAR REGISTRATIONS BY SEGMENT

Model	Volume	Segment share
Hyundai i10	14,314	55.7%
Dacia Spring	5,201	20.2%
BYD Dolphin Surf	5,087	19.8%
Leapmotor T03	1,115	4.3%

Segment total: 25,717

Model	Volume	Segment share
Ford Puma	55,488	10.5%
Vauxhall Corsa	35,947	6.8%
Nissan Juke	34,773	6.6%
MINI MINI Cooper	27,862	5.3%
Peugeot 2008	25,928	4.9%

Segment total: 530,579

Model	Volume	Segment share
Nissan Qashqai	41,141	8.9%
Volkswagen Golf	32,478	7.0%
MG HS	30,191	6.5%
Volkswagen T-Roc	28,075	6.1%
Audi A3	25,501	5.5%

Segment total: 463,504

Model	Volume	Segment share
Tesla Model 3	21,288	19.2%
BMW i4	12,158	11.0%
BMW 3 Series	11,476	10.4%
BYD Seal	9,407	8.5%
Audi A5	8,453	7.7%

Segment total: 110,148

Model	Volume	Segment share
Mercedes C-Class	4,610	18.2%
BMW 5 Series	4,593	18.1%
BMW i5	4,271	16.8%
Audi A6 E-Tron	2,882	11.1%
Mercedes EQE	2,749	10.8%

Segment total: 25,367

Model	Volume	Segment share
BMW i7	959	22.2%
BMW 7 Series	794	18.4%
Mercedes S-Class	697	16.1%
Bentley Continental	495	11.5%
MG IM5	422	9.8%

Segment total: 4,318

Model	Volume	Segment share
Porsche 911	3,223	23.7%
Porsche Taycan	1,772	13.0%
Mazda MX-5	1,500	11.0%
Porsche 718	1,446	10.6%
Ford Mustang	669	4.9%

Segment total: 13,618

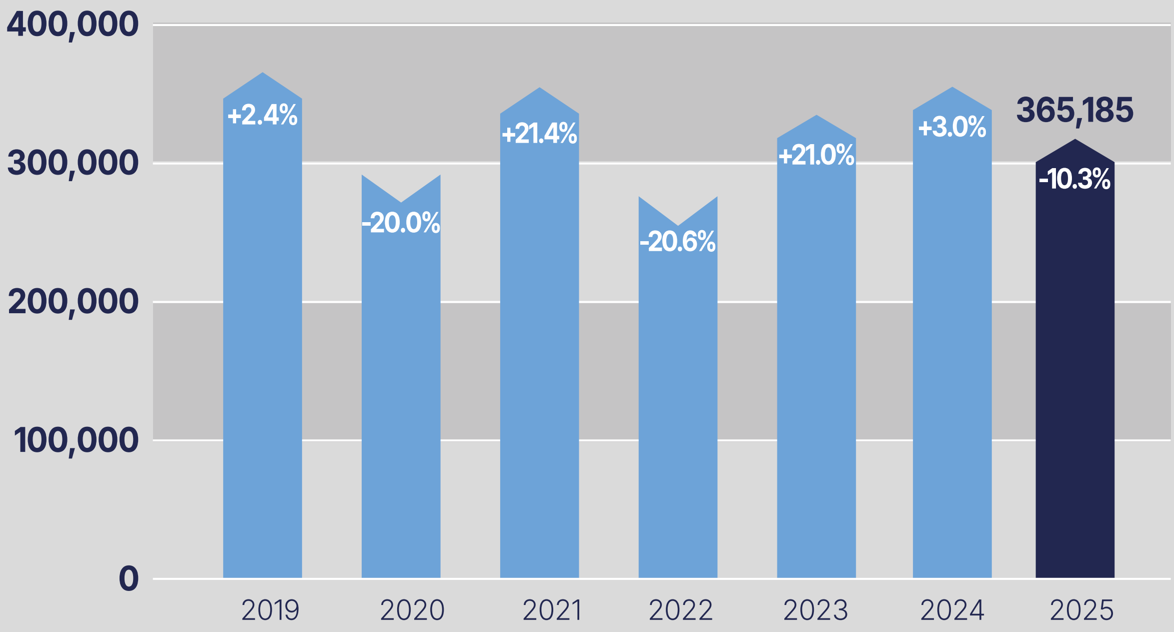
Model	Volume	Segment share
Kia Sportage	47,788	6.2%
Volvo XC40	30,404	3.9%
Volkswagen Tiguan	29,857	3.9%
Hyundai Tucson	28,613	3.7%
Jaecoo 7	26,048	3.4%

Segment total: 772,404

Model	Volume	Segment share
Tesla Model Y	24,298	32.5%
Renault Scenic	6,991	9.3%
Dacia Jogger	5,798	7.7%
Ford Tourneo Connect	5,093	6.8%
Peugeot Rifter	4,086	5.5%

Segment total: 74,865

Van registrations – 2019 to 2025



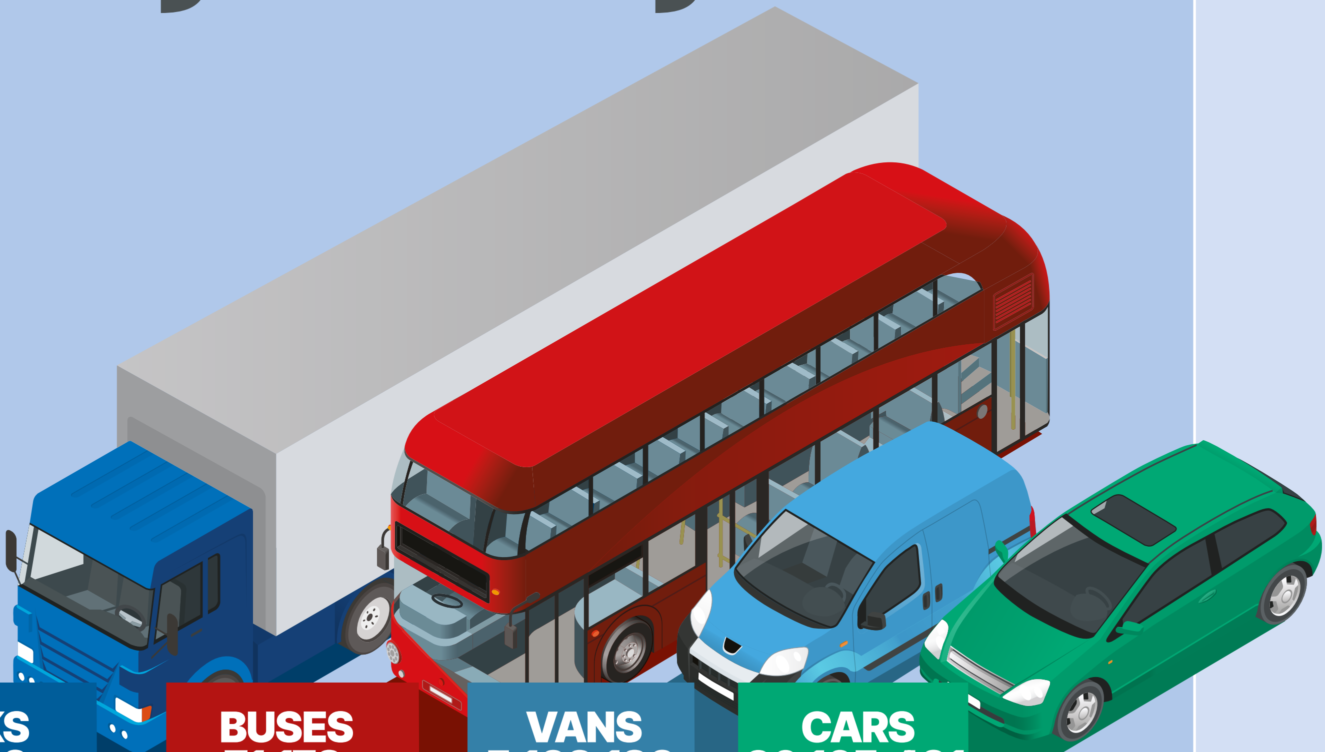
2025 HGV, bus and coach registrations

	Rigids	Artics	Bus and coach
2025	18,254	22,250	9,259
Change on 2024	-4.3%	-14.1%	10.4%

330,710
commercial vehicles were registered in 2025

TOTAL VEHICLES ON THE ROAD

41,964,268



TRUCKS 625,509

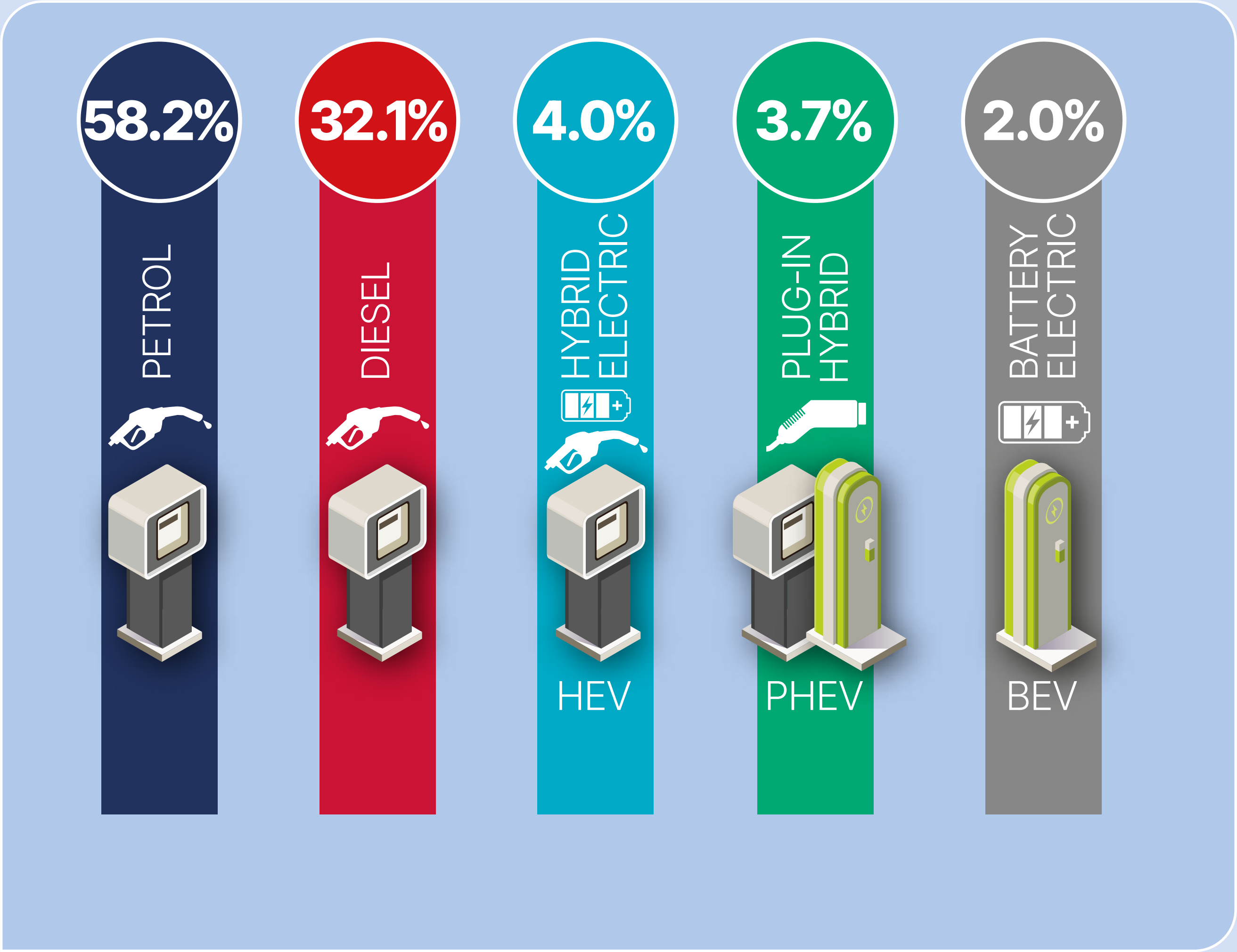
BUSES 71,178

VANS 5,102,180

CARS 36,165,401

Source: Motorparc 2024 Data

WHAT'S POWERING OUR CARS?



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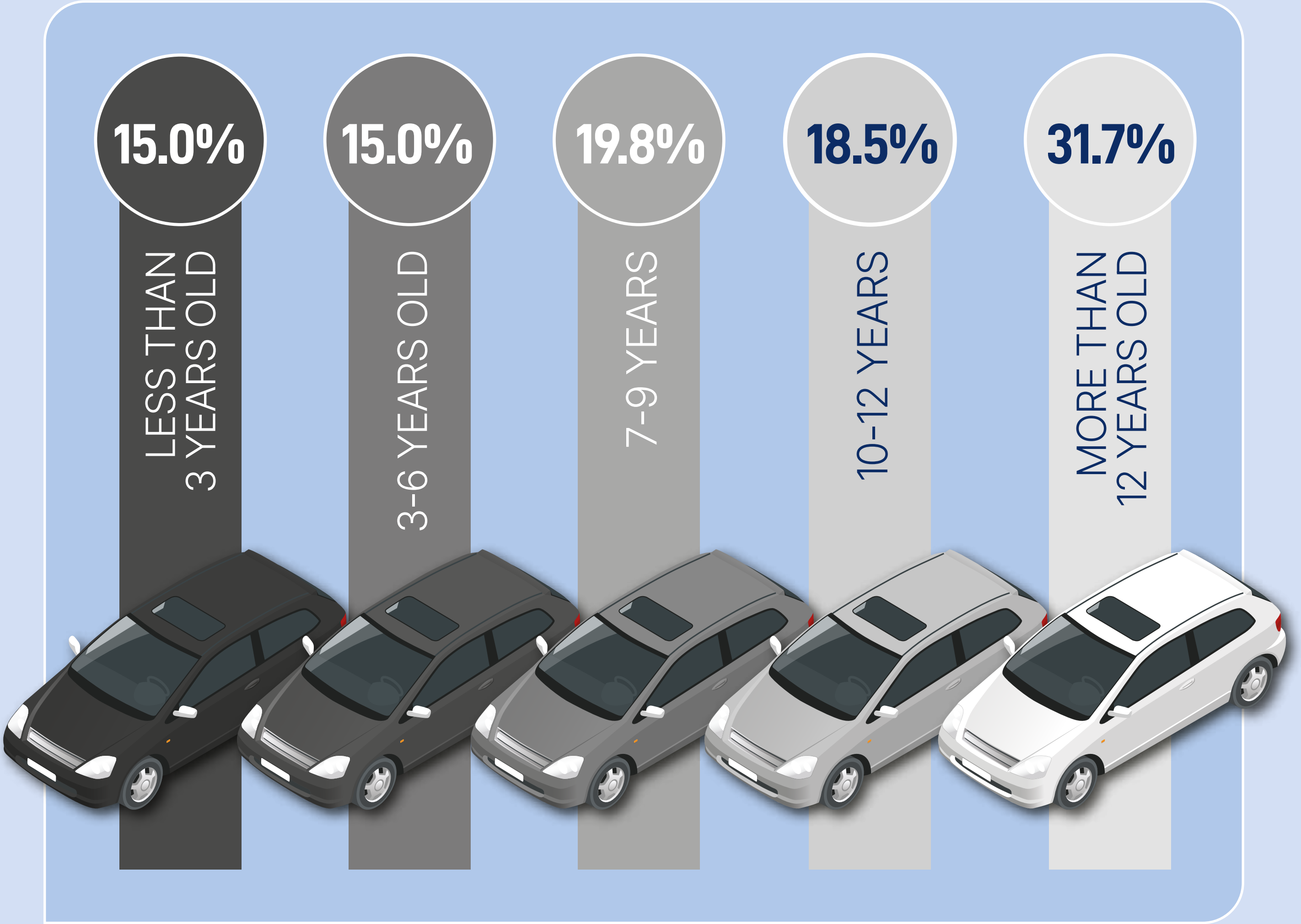
AN AGEING CAR FLEET



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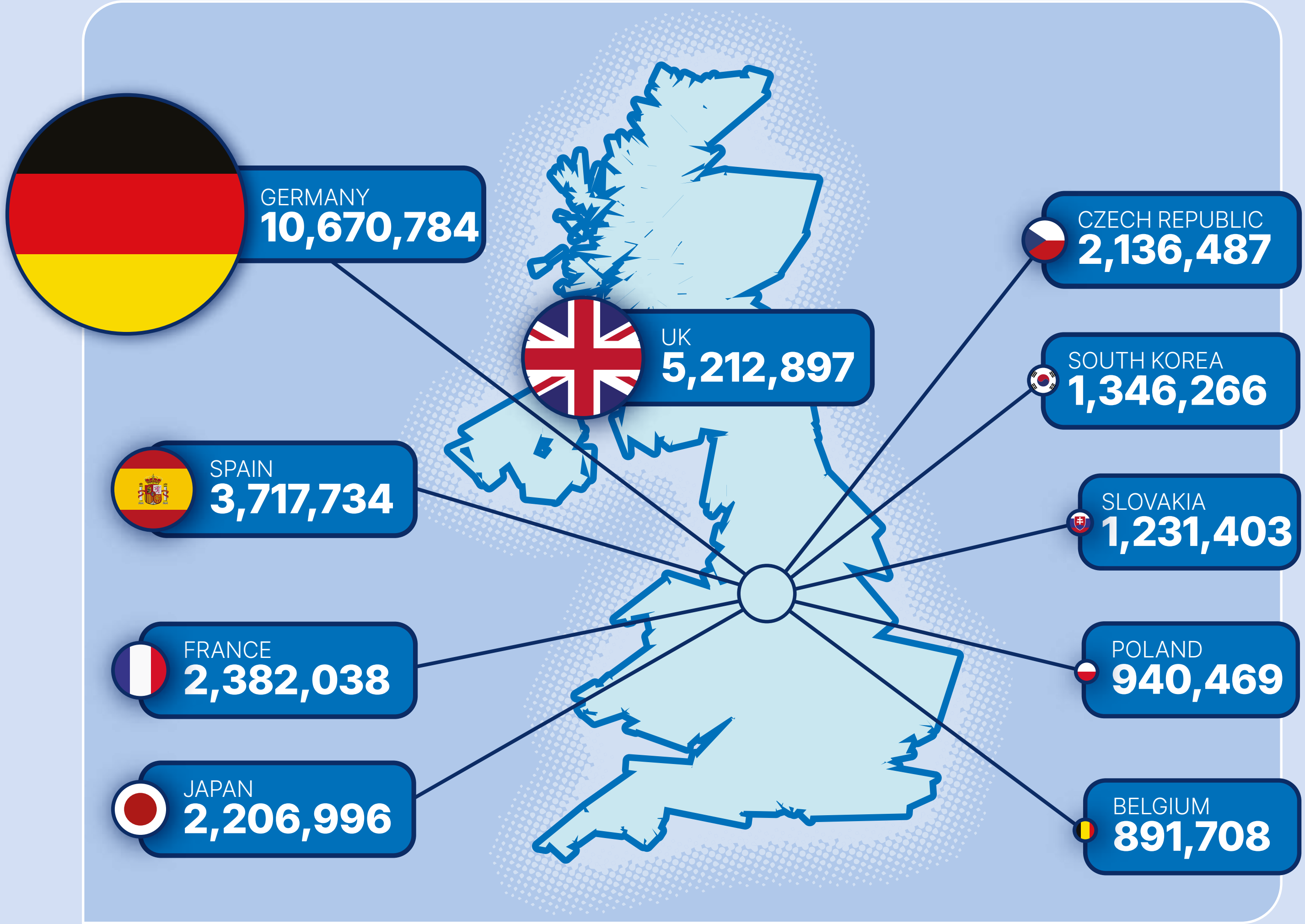
TOP 10 CAR COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN



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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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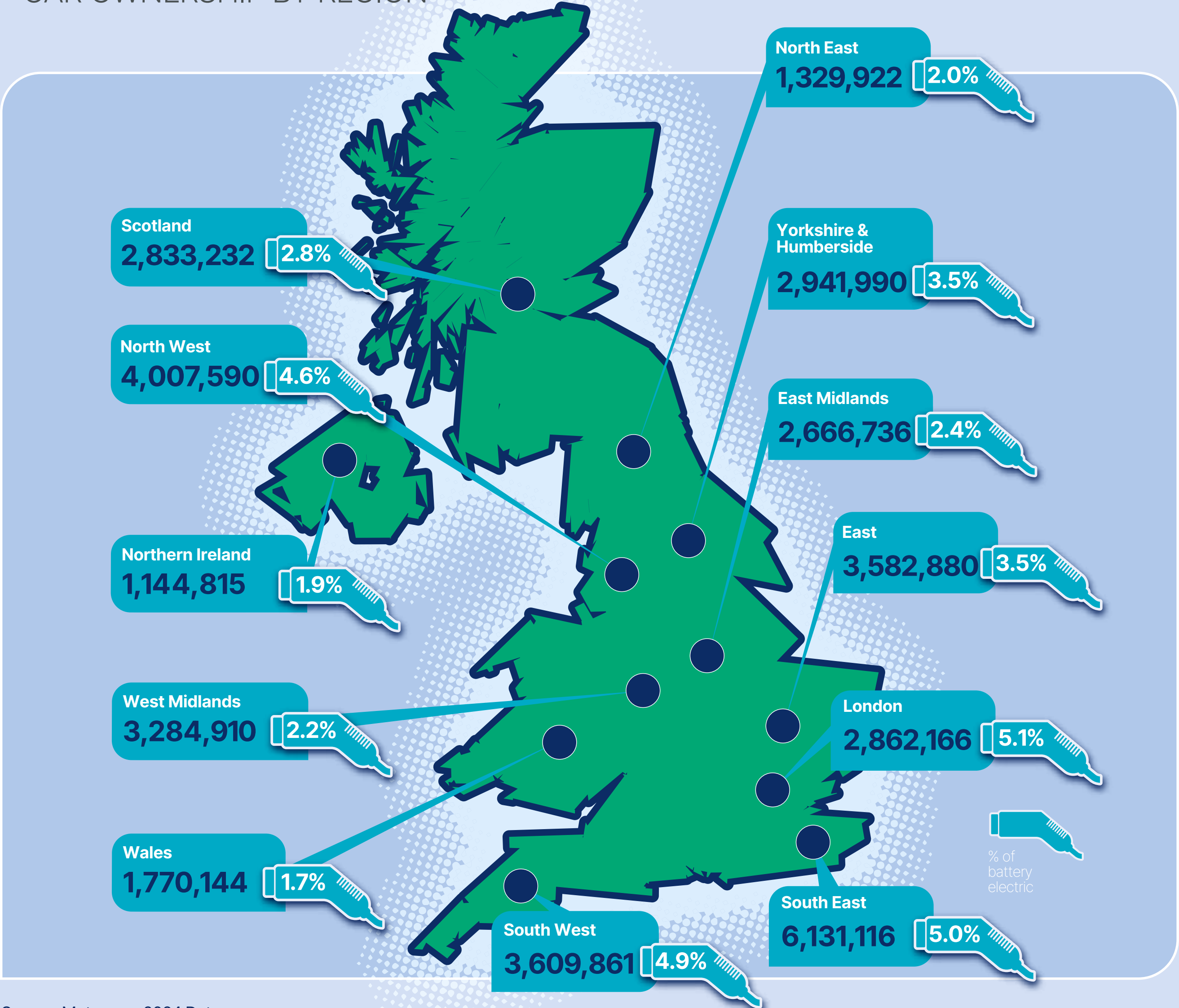
CAR OWNERSHIP BY REGION



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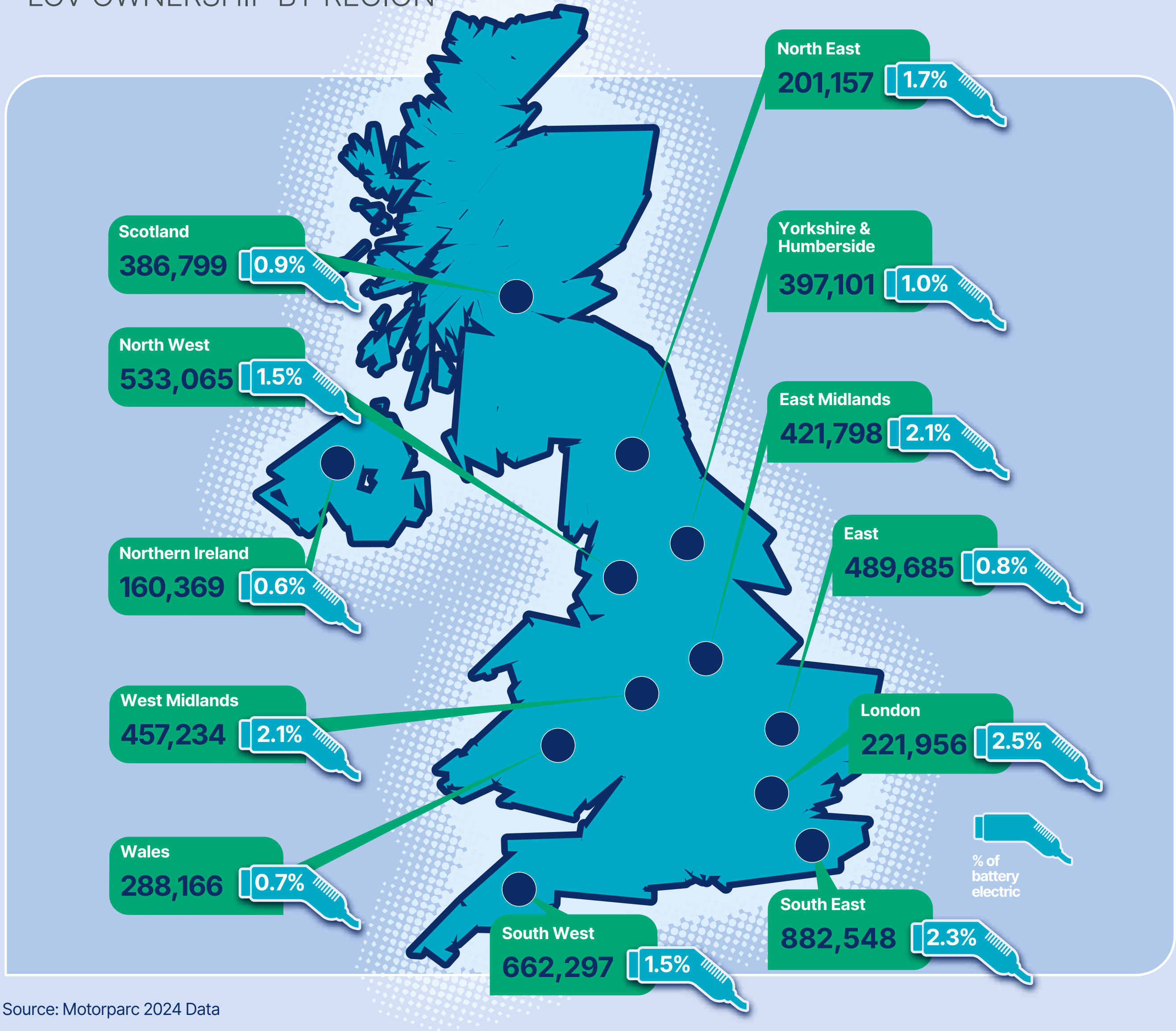

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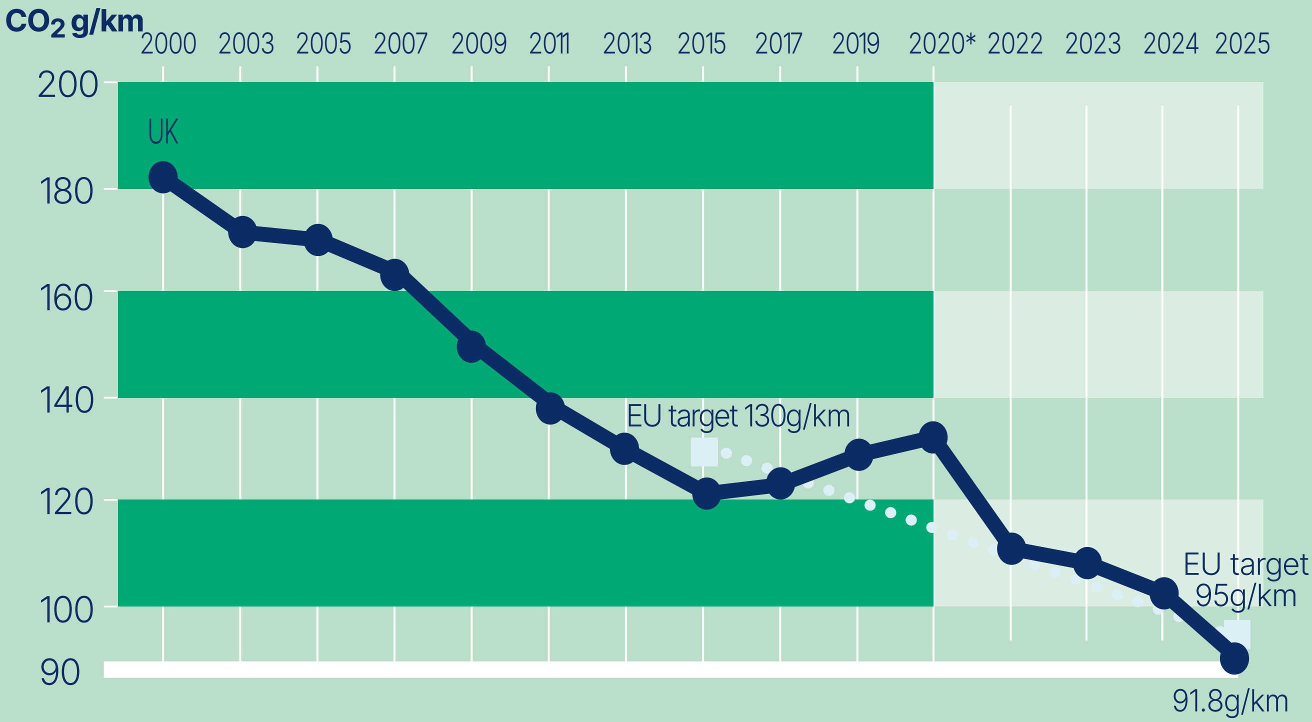
AVERAGE CO_2 EMISSIONS FOR NEW CARS FELL -10.1% IN 2025



*Measuring system changed from NEDC to WLTP

Source: SMMT 2025

Potential overall impact of CAVs on the UK economy by 2040

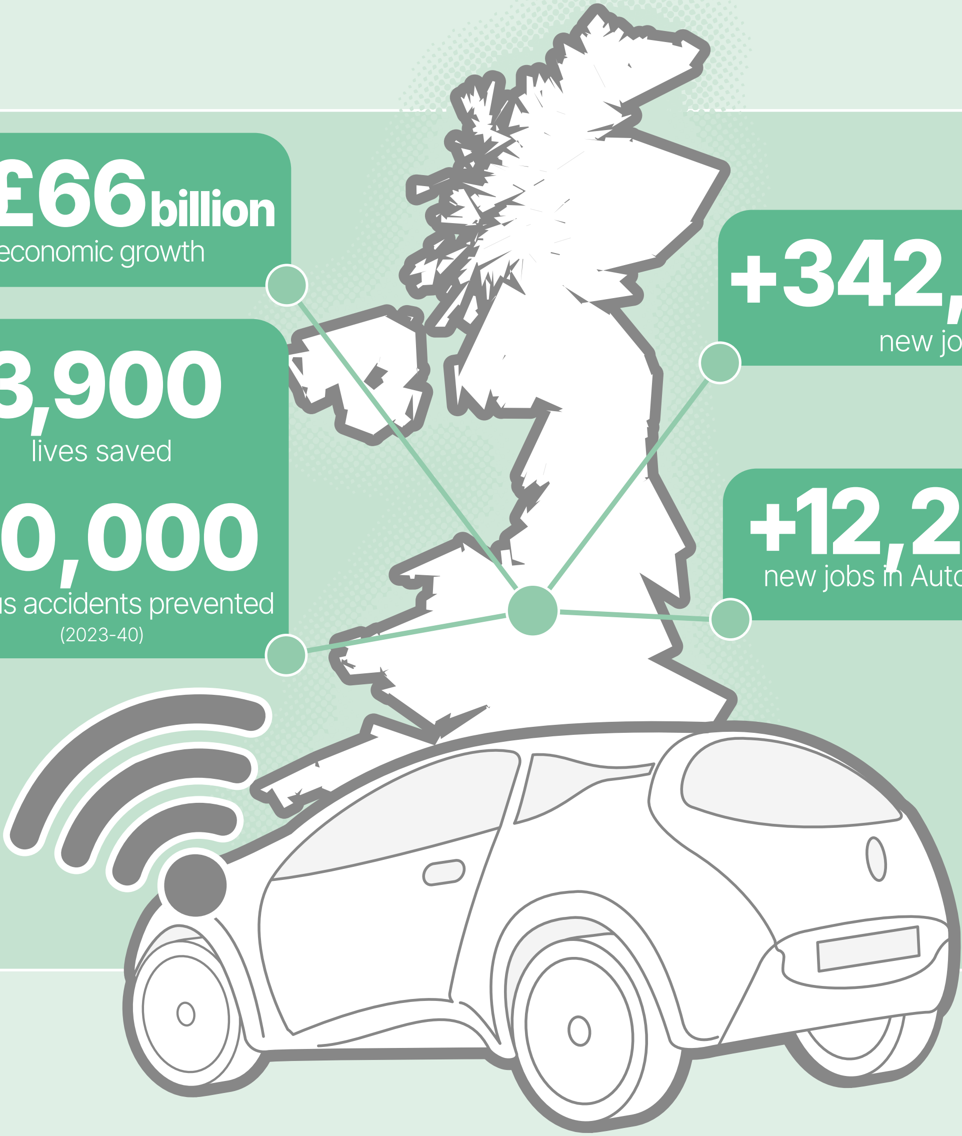
+£66billion
economic growth

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, Zenzic and Innovate UK report 2023

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