

BREXIT AND THE AUTO INDUSTRY: FACTS AND FIGURES

GLOBAL TRADE

European Union

EU vehicle imports:

- Total value: €48,019 million
- Quantity: 3,640,975 units

EU vehicle exports:

- Total value: €138,536 million
- Quantity: 6,130,169 units

United Kingdom

UK vehicle imports:

- Total value: €43,678 million
- Quantity: 2,814,088 units

UK vehicle exports:

- Total value: €36,462 million
- Quantity: 1,883,679 units

EU-UK AUTOMOTIVE TRADE¹

Motor vehicles (cars, commercial vehicles, buses and coaches)

- EU27 exports to UK in 2017: 2.3 million vehicles worth about €38.4 billion
 - 28% of the EU global vehicle export value
 - 88% of the UK global vehicle import value
- UK exports to EU27 in 2017: 804,332 vehicles worth about €14.5 billion
 - 40% of the UK global vehicle export value
 - 30% of the EU global vehicle import value

Parts and accessories (including vehicle bodies and chassis)

- EU27 exports to UK in 2017: 14.1 million units worth €11.4 billion
 - 24% of the EU global part/accessory export value
 - 79% of the UK global part/accessory import value
- UK exports to EU27 in 2017: 21.7 million units worth about €3.8 billion
 - 68% of the UK global part/accessory export value
 - 17% of the EU global part/accessory import value

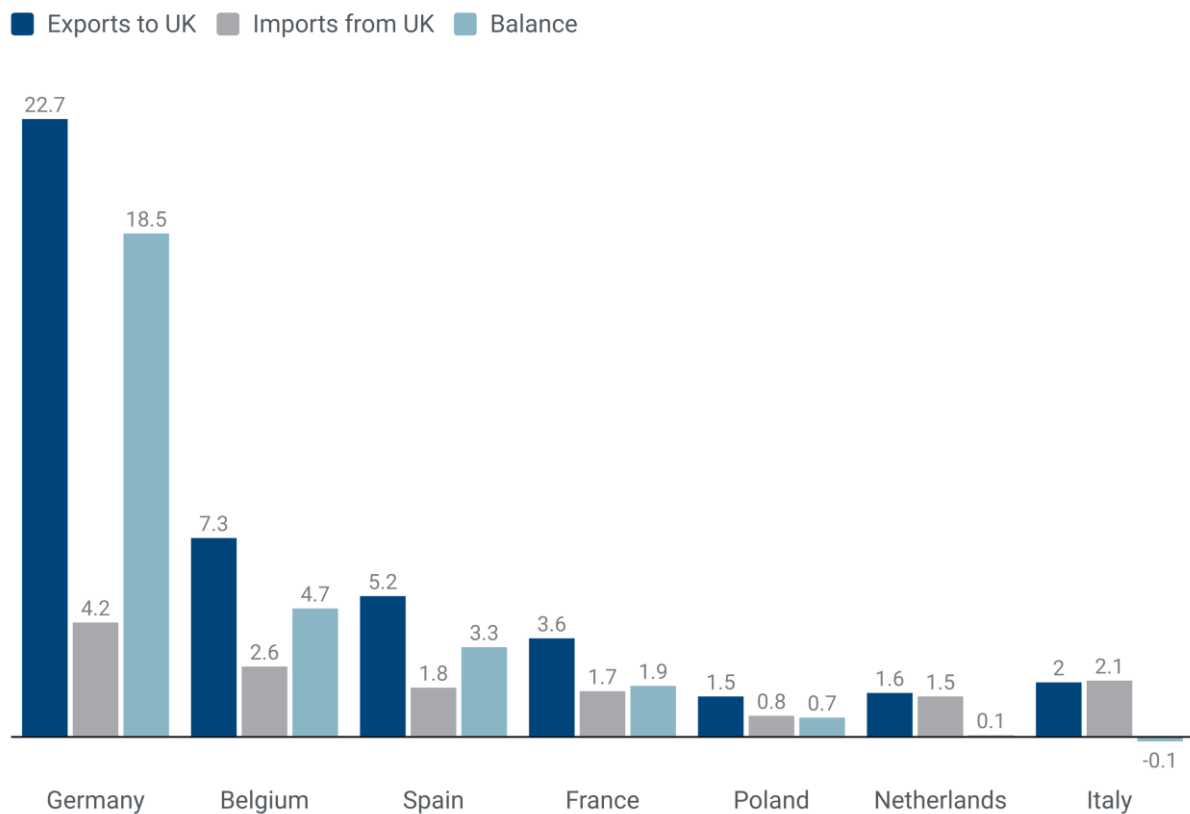
¹ Source: EUROSTAT

AUTOMOTIVE TRADE BETWEEN THE UK AND ITS MAIN EU PARTNERS

- 80% of the UK's car production is exported, of which 54% goes to EU member states².
- The other way around, the EU countries represent 82% of the UK's motor vehicle import volume, worth €38 billion.

The graphic below provides an overview of motor vehicle trade between the United Kingdom and its main EU partners (Germany, Spain, France, Belgium, Poland, Italy and the Netherlands) in 2017, covering exports and imports of motor vehicles, automotive parts and accessories.

Import and export of motor vehicles, automotive parts and accessories (in billion euros, 2017)³



² Source: SMMT

³ Source: EUROSTAT

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

Passenger cars

Overall in 2017, European demand for cars grew (+3.4%) for the fourth consecutive year, reaching more than 15 million new passenger cars registered for the first time since 2007.

Top 5 – New passenger car registrations in the EU

	2017	2016	% change 17/16
GERMANY	3,441,262	3,351,607	+2.7
UNITED KINGDOM	2,540,617	2,692,786	-5.7
FRANCE	2,110,748	2,015,177	+4.7
ITALY	1,970,497	1,825,892	+7.9
SPAIN	1,234,931	1,147,009	+7.7
EU TOTAL	15,137,732	14,641,415	+3.4

Source: ACEA

Commercial vehicles

The EU market for commercial vehicles expanded during 2017, reaching more than 2.4 million registrations, up 3.3% compared to 2016.

Top 5 – New commercial vehicle registrations in the EU

	2017	2016	% change
FRANCE	495,052	463,295	6.9%
UNITED KINGDOM	421,935	438,382	-3.8%
GERMANY	369,146	357,260	3.3%
ITALY	221,263	226,383	-2.3%
SPAIN	227,303	200,338	13.5%
EU TOTAL	2,404,971	2,327,580	3.3%

Source: ACEA

MOTOR VEHICLE PRODUCTION

EU car production increased by 0.5% in 2017. With almost 17 million passenger cars built in total last year, pre-crisis levels from 2007 were exceeded for the first time.

Among the main producing countries in Western Europe, output grew in France (+6.8%) and Italy (+4.2%), while car production contracted in the United Kingdom (-3.0%), Spain (-2.7%) and Germany (-1.7%).

Top 10 – Passenger car producing countries in the EU

	2017 ⁴	2016	% change
GERMANY	5,645,581	5,746,808	-1.8%
SPAIN	2,291,492	2,354,117	-2.7%
FRANCE	1,748,000	1,636,000	6.8%
UNITED KINGDOM	1,671,166	1,722,698	-3.0%
CZECH REPUBLIC	1,413,881	1,344,182	5.2%
SLOVAKIA	1,001,520	1,040,000	-3.7%
ITALY	742,642	712,971	4.2%
POLAND	514,700	554,600	-7.2%
HUNGARY	502,000	523,000	-4.0%
ROMANIA	359,240	358,861	+0.1%
EU TOTAL	16,973,088	16,887,225	+0.5%

Source: OICA

⁴ Provisional figures

EMPLOYMENT AND ECONOMY

European automobile manufacturers currently operate more than 300 assembly and production plants across the European continent. Some 12.6 million people, or 5.7% of the EU employed population, work in the automotive sector. The sector contributes 6.5% to the EU's GDP. Moreover, the 3.3 million (direct and indirect) high-skilled jobs in automotive manufacturing represent 10.9% of EU's manufacturing employment.

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 sector employs some 814,000 people in the United Kingdom. At least 10% of people employed in the UK automotive manufacturing sector are from elsewhere in the EU⁵.

The auto sector directly employs 2.5 million Europeans in manufacturing

AUSTRIA	30,804	ITALY	159,148
BELGIUM	30,838	LATVIA	1,821
BULGARIA	20,512	LITHUANIA	4,496
CROATIA	2,825	LUXEMBOURG	314
CYPRUS	104	NETHERLANDS	20,295
CZECH REPUBLIC	159,732	POLAND	178,274
DENMARK	1,606	PORTUGAL	33,436
ESTONIA	3,233	ROMANIA	168,689
FINLAND	7,282	SLOVAKIA	66,356
FRANCE	224,000	SLOVENIA	12,746
GERMANY	850,857	SPAIN	142,480
GREECE	1,765	SWEDEN	68,336
HUNGARY	88,532	UNITED KINGDOM	169,000
IRELAND	2,311		
		EU TOTAL	2,449,792

Source: EUROSTAT

⁵ Source: SMMT