# UK COMMERCIAL VEHICLE MANUFACTURING

# 29 May 2014 (data for April 2014)

# European turnaround gives hope for subdued CV production

* Commercial vehicle production fell 27.3% in April, as the impact of restructuring continues.
* Year-to-date volumes down 20.6%, with reduced output for both home and export markets.
* Output expected to stabilise in second half of the year with upturn in European demand.

"Production of commercial vehicles continues to suffer the effects of restructuring and, for the truck sector, the impact of last year's spike in demand around new Euro-6 legislation," said Mike Hawes, SMMT Chief Executive. "However, with some investments yet to be realised and eight consecutive months of growth in the European market, the outlook is more encouraging."

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| **CV manufacturing** | **Apr-13** | **Apr-14** | **% Change** | **YTD-13** | **YTD-14** | **% Change** |
| **Total** | **8,623** | **6,270** | **-27.3%** | **32,477** | **25,790** | **-20.6%** |
| Home | 3,899 | 2,895 | -25.8% | 16,565 | 12,412 | -25.1% |
| Export | 4,724 | 3,375 | -28.6% | 15,912 | 13,378 | -15.9% |
| % export | 54.8% | 53.8% |  | 49.0% | 51.9% |  |

**CV output rolling year total CV output, year-to-date, 2012-2014**