# UK CAR MANUFACTURING (data for May 2014)

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# Production pauses see car output dip in May

* UK car production fell 9.8% in May to 116,655 units, with days lost to spring shutdown at some plants.
* Year-to-date output still positive with 654,895 cars produced – a 3.5% growth.
* Demand for new cars in EU continues to grow, with May marking nine consecutive monthly rises.

"UK car manufacturing fell 9.8% in May, as some plants instigated spring shutdowns during the month," said Mike Hawes, SMMT Chief Executive. "The prospects for the coming months and years, however, are still bright; new UK-built models will benefit from growing demand across Europe, while significant investments in UK manufacturing operations are moving closer to production readiness."

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| **Car manufacturing** | **May-13** | **May-14** | **% Change** | **YTD-13** | **YTD-14** | **% Change** |
| **Total** | **129,355** | **116,655** | **-9.8%** | **632,804** | **654,895** | **3.5%** |
| Home | 24,011 | 21,889 | -8.8% | 136,542 | 135,323 | -0.9% |
| Export | 105,344 | 94,767 | -10.0% | 496,262 | 519,572 | 4.7% |
| % export | 81.4% | 81.2% |  | 78.4% | 79.3% |  |

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