# UK ENGINE MANUFACTURING

# 22 October 2015 (data for September 2015)

**UK engine production up 6.5% in September with exports playing a key role**

* UK engine production up 6.5% in September, with 224,917 units produced in the month.
* Strongest month-on-month growth for exports this year, with overseas demand up 18.4%.
* Overall engine output steady in year to date, down 1.9% on last year.

**Mike Hawes, SMMT Chief Executive, said,** “Engine production continues to paint a positive picture for UK manufacturing, with overall production posting strong gains in September compared with the same month last year. Demand from overseas was particularly robust, with exports rising 18.4%. We welcome this growth and expect to see a continued rise in engine production in the UK for the rest of the year, reflecting the trend in the wider automotive manufacturing sector.”

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| **Engine manufacturing** | **Sep-14** | **Sep-15** | **% Change**  | **YTD-14** | **YTD-15** | **% Change** |
| **Total** | 211,185 | 224,917 | 6.5% | 1,821,941 | 1,787,420 | -1.9% |
| **Home** | 87,774 | 78,825 | -10.2% | 664,908 | 629,874 | -5.3% |
| **Export** | 123,411 | 146,092 | 18.4% | 1,157,033 | 1,157,546 | 0.0% |
| **% export** | 58.4% | 65.0% |   | 63.5% | 64.8% |   |

**Notes to editors**

**About SMMT and the UK automotive industry**

The Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders (SMMT) is one of the largest and most influential trade associations in the UK. It supports the interests of the UK automotive industry at home and abroad, promoting a united position to government, stakeholders and the media.

The automotive industry is a vital part of the UK economy accounting for more than **£69.5 billion turnover** and **£15.5 billion value added**. With some **160,000** people employed directly in manufacturing and in excess of **799,000** acrossthe wider automotive industry, it accounts for **11.8% of total UK export of goods** and invests **£2.4 billion** each year in automotive R&D. More than **30 manufacturers** build in excess of **70 models** of vehicle in the UK supported by around **2,500 component providers** and some of the world's most **skilled engineers**.

More detail on UK automotive available in SMMT's Motor Industry Facts 2015 publication at [www.smmt.co.uk/facts15](http://www.smmt.co.uk/facts15).

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