SMMT forecasts: UK new car and LCV registrations to 2013

Background

Forecasts are revised on a quarterly basis in January, April, July and October.

The latest forecast was revised during April 2012.

The forecast is based on a survey of a panel of SMMT members’ analysts own company views.

2011 actual data

New car registrations: 1,941,253 units, down 4.4% on 2010.

Diesel penetration: 50.6%, up from 46.1% in 2010.

New light commercial vehicle (LCV, to 3.5 tonne) registrations: 260,153 units, up 16.7% on 2010.

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| SMMT forecasts for 2012 and 2013**2012**New car registrations: 1.948 million units, up 0.4% on the 2011 total.Diesel penetration: 51.0%, compared with 50.6% in 2011.New LCV registrations: 244,500 units, down 6.0% on the 2011 total.**2013**New car registrations: 1.999 million units, up 2.6% on the 2012 forecast.Diesel penetration: 50.8%.New LCV registrations: 261,200 units, up 6.8% on the 2012 forecast. |

**Next revision**

The forecasts are next scheduled to be revised in July 2012.

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