# UK CAR MANUFACTURING (data for August 2014)

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# Summer shutdowns subdue August car production

* 994,949 cars manufactured in the UK so far in 2014 – up 1.0% on January-August 2013.
* August output fell 22.1%, with some manufacturers taking additional holiday shutdown.
* UK car production set for a bright future, with significant investments being realised and new models starting assembly.

"The month of August – typically the quietest of the year – saw a 22.1% drop in car production over 2013 as the 2014 calendar meant some key plants took additional shutdown compared to last year," said Mike Hawes, SMMT Chief Executive. "Volumes are still strong for the year-to-date, however, with the UK automotive sector in the midst of a renaissance. Global demand for quality UK-built products is at an unprecedented level, with significant investments into UK production facilities from government and industry currently being realised."

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| **Car manufacturing** | **Aug-13** | **Aug-14** | **% Change**  | **YTD-13** | **YTD-14** | **% Change** |
| **Total** | **91,282** | **71,065** | **-22.1%** | **984,618** | **994,949** | **1.0%** |
| Home | 20,298 | 18,328 | -9.7% | 211,947 | 213,772 | 0.9% |
| Export | 70,984 | 52,737 | -25.7% | 772,671 | 781,177 | 1.1% |
| % export | 77.8% | 74.2% |   | 78.5% | 78.5% |   |

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