# UK ENGINE MANUFACTURING

# 21 January 2016 (data for December and full-year 2015)

**Production of UK-built engines driven by exports in 2015**

* Engine production steady in 2015 with 2,368,477 units manufactured, down 1.1% on 2014
* Overseas demand upholds the market, with 64% - almost two thirds - of engines exported
* 152,212 engines produced in December down 4.4% on the same period in 2014

**Mike Hawes, SMMT Chief Executive,** said, “Whilst engine production remains steady in the UK, with figures down just 1% compared to average annual production since 2009, the continued growth of the export market underlines the importance of demand from overseas. Over 1.5 million engines – 64% of total production - were exported in 2015, with the split between petrol and diesel almost equal.”

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| **Engine manufacturing** | **Dec-14** | **Dec-15** | **% Change** | **YTD-14** | **YTD-15** | **% Change** |
| **Total** | 159,193 | 152,212 | -4.4% | 2,394,524 | 2,368,477 | -1.1% |
| **Home** | 61,317 | 56,261 | -8.2% | 907,055 | 851,594 | -6.1% |
| **Export** | 97,876 | 95,951 | -2.0% | 1,487,469 | 1,516,883 | 2.0% |
| **% export** | 61.5% | 63.0% |  | 62.1% | 64.0% |  |

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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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