# UK ENGINE MANUFACTURING

# 19 November 2015 (data for October 2015)

**Overseas demand drives UK engine production in October**

* Engine production rises 4% in October 2015 compared with same month last year.
* Exports continue to rise, with manufacturing for overseas markets up 13.2% month-on-month.
* Total year-to-date production remains relatively steady, down 1.3% on 2014.

**Mike Hawes, SMMT Chief Executive,** said,“Continued overseas demand for UK-built engines drove sector growth of 4% in October, compared with the same month last year. Some 135,434 engines were produced for foreign markets, representing an uplift of 13.2%. Year-to-date volumes fell slightly by 1.3% set against a 1.3% increase in exports, while overall output surpassed the two million unit milestone, reflecting the stability of the market.”

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| **Engine manufacturing** | **Oct-14** | **Oct-15** | **% Change** | **YTD-14** | **YTD-15** | **% Change** |
| **Total** | 211,258 | 219,737 | 4.0% | 2,033,199 | 2,007,157 | -1.3% |
| **Home** | 91,603 | 84,303 | -8.0% | 756,511 | 714,177 | -5.6% |
| **Export** | 119,655 | 135,434 | 13.2% | 1,276,688 | 1,292,980 | 1.3% |
| **% export** | 56.6% | 61.6% |  | 62.8% | 64.4% |  |

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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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