

## Car production up 10 per cent this year

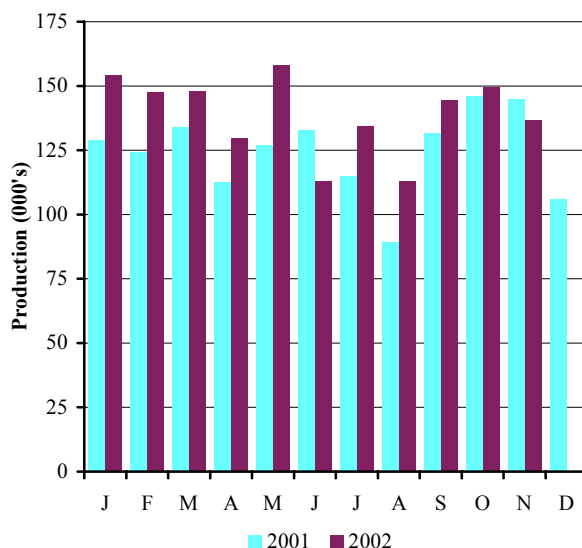
Production figures released today by the Office for National Statistics show that:

**Car production from January to November 2002 rose by 10.3 per cent**  
**Output to November was 36,347 units higher than throughout the whole of 2001**

### Car Production

	Nov 2001	Nov 2002	% chg.	YTD 2001	YTD 2002	% chg.
<b>Total</b>	144,989	136,976	-5.5%	1,386,258	1,528,748	10.3%
<b>Home</b>	51,841	40,950	-21.0%	561,310	555,850	-1.0%
% of total	35.8%	29.9%		40.5%	36.4%	
<b>Export</b>	93,148	96,026	3.1%	824,948	972,898	17.9%
% of total	64.2%	70.1%		59.5%	63.6%	

### Monthly Car Production 2001-2002



- Car output over the first 11 months of the year, at 1,528,748 units, is already ahead of the 1,492,365 cars made in the whole of 2001.
- From January to November, output has risen by 10.3 per cent. Although November figures showed a small drop, this was only the second month on month decline in volumes this year.

Commenting on today's production data, SMMT chief executive, Christopher Macgowan, said: 'Throughout the year figures have revealed a car sector in good health. It is particularly encouraging that UK manufacturers have already produced more cars this year than in the whole of 2001, despite a slight dip in November. The success of British-built products across the globe is crucial and we can expect to see more growth in 2003 as investment in key UK sites begins to translate into higher output.'

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## Heavy vans drive CV growth

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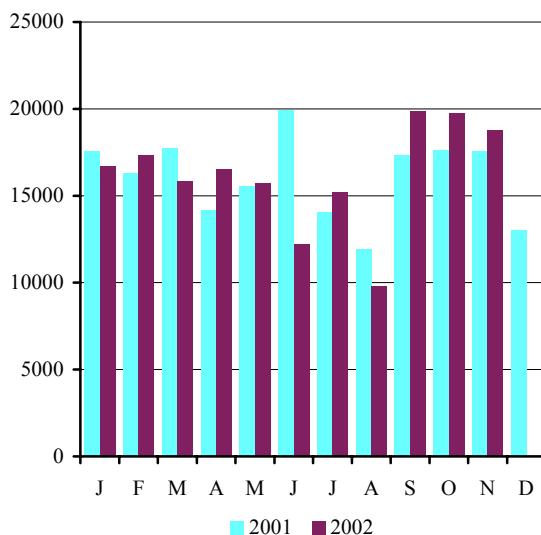
**November CV production rose 6.9 per cent**

**Year to date CV production is up 0.9 per cent**

### Commercial Vehicle Production

	Nov 2001	Nov 2002	% chg.	YTD 2001	YTD 2002	% chg.
<b>Total</b>	17,588	18,808	6.9%	179,840	181,442	0.9%
<b>Home</b>	6,051	7,649	26.4%	92,168	74,621	-19.0%
% of total	34.4%	40.7%		51.3%	41.1%	
<b>Export</b>	11,537	11,159	-3.3%	87,672	106,821	21.8%
% of total	65.6%	59.3%		48.8%	58.9%	

### Monthly CV Production 2001-2002



- CV output in November rose 6.9 per cent to 18,808 units compared to 17,588 in November 2001. The year to date total of 181,442 was 0.9 per cent higher than last year.
- Exports fell for the first time in five months, down by 3.3 per cent on November 2001. Production for the UK market grew for the second straight month, up 26.4 per cent.

Commenting on the figures, Christopher Macgowan, SMMT chief executive said, 'This month's performance follows strong growth last year and has pushed the annual total to within 11,431 units of the 2001 result. The continued demand for heavy vans drives that growth.' He added, 'December's result will be a cliff hanger but all signs are good for the market to match 2001's total of 192,873 units.'

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	PASSENGER CARS			COMMERCIAL VEHICLES		
	Total	For Home	For Export	Total	For Home	For Export
<b>1991</b>	1 236 900	631 515	605 385	217 141	106 424	110 717
<b>1992</b>	1 291 880	702 590	589 290	248 453	118 140	130 313
<b>1993 a</b>	1 375 524	842 648	532 876	193 467	102 320	91 147
<b>1994</b>	1 466 823	848 142	618 681	227 815	132 270	95 545
<b>1995</b>	1 532 084	787 473	744 611	233 011	140 634	92 377
<b>1996</b>	1 686 134	777 922	908 212	238 314	125 830	112 484
<b>1997</b>	1 698 001	736 090	961 911	237 706	134 304	103 402
<b>1998</b>	1 748 258	727 531	1 020 727	227 379	124 538	102 841
<b>1999</b>	1 786 623	648 146	1 138 477	185 905	110 983	74 922
<b>2000</b>	1 641 452	578 462	1 062 990	172 442	96 261	76 181
<b>2001</b>	1 492 365	598 111	894 254	192 873	96 654	96 219
<b>2000 Q1</b>	494 311	179 401	314 910	49 972	24 666	25 306
<b>2000 Q2</b>	433 240	140 548	292 692	52 061	27 345	24 716
<b>2000 Q3</b>	335 106	145 558	189 548	29 249	18 588	10 661
<b>2000 Q4</b>	378 795	112 955	265 840	41 160	25 662	15 498
<b>2001 Q1</b>	387 100	160 646	226 454	51 623	31 952	19 671
<b>2001 Q2</b>	372 395	142 864	229 531	49 675	26 436	23 239
<b>2001 Q3</b>	335 790	152 753	183 037	43 347	21 032	22 315
<b>2001 Q4</b>	397 080	141 848	255 232	48 228	17 234	30 994
<b>2002 Q1</b>	449 755	194 579	255 176	49 940	24 630	25 310
<b>2002 Q2</b>	400 529	119 032	281 497	44 504	16 226	28 278
<b>2002 Q3</b>	391 834	149 617	242 217	48 429	18 865	29 564
<b>2000 Jul</b>	126 372	55 823	70 549	13 372	8 342	5 030
<b>2000 Aug</b>	74 761	32 965	41 796	5 885	3 628	2 257
<b>2000 Sep</b>	133 973	56 770	77 203	9 992	6 618	3 374
<b>2000 Oct</b>	131 522	38 712	92 810	13 872	8 565	5 307
<b>2000 Nov</b>	150 716	47 115	103 601	16 189	10 418	5 771
<b>2000 Dec</b>	96 557	27 128	69 429	11 099	6 679	4 420
<b>2001 Jan</b>	128 921	50 675	78 246	17 580	11 315	6 265
<b>2001 Feb</b>	124 163	55 434	68 729	16 290	10 085	6 205
<b>2001 Mar</b>	134 016	54 537	79 479	17 753	10 552	7 201
<b>2001 Apr</b>	112 547	45 865	66 682	14 172	8 097	6 075
<b>2001 May</b>	127 176	46 614	80 562	15 563	8 418	7 145
<b>2001 Jun</b>	132 672	50 385	82 287	19 940	9 921	10 019
<b>2001 Jul</b>	114 878	50 943	63 935	14 055	6 427	7 628
<b>2001 Aug</b>	89 350	43 180	45 540	11 960	5 994	5 966
<b>2001 Sep</b>	131 562	58 000	73 562	17 332	8 611	8 721
<b>2001 Oct</b>	145 984	53 206	92 778	17 607	6 697	10 910
<b>2001 Nov</b>	144 989	51 841	93 148	17 588	6 051	11 537
<b>2001 Dec</b>	106 107	36 801	69 306	13 033	4 486	8 547
<b>2002 Jan</b>	154 368	69 454	84 914	16 697	8 280	8 417
<b>2002 Feb</b>	147 552	65 707	81 845	17 389	10 016	7 373
<b>2002 Mar</b>	147 835	59 418	88 417	15 854	6 334	9 520
<b>2002 Apr</b>	129 541	35 958	93 583	16 534	5 451	11 083
<b>2002 May</b>	158 236	49 232	109 004	15 752	5 820	9 932
<b>2002 Jun</b>	112 752	33 842	78 910	12 218	4 955	7 263
<b>2002 Jul</b>	134 533	49 669	84 864	15 217	5 323	9 894
<b>2002 Aug</b>	112 803	45 771	67 032	13 322	5 603	7 719
<b>2002 Sep</b>	144 498	54 177	90 321	19 890	7 939	11 951
<b>2002 Oct</b>	149 654	51 672	97 982	19 761	7 251	12 510
<b>2002 Nov</b>	136 976	40 950	96 026	18 808	7 649	11 159

**Percentage change for latest three months on:**

Previous three months	19.7	13.5	23.2	43.4	43.8	43.2
Same period last year	2.0	-10.0	9.6	11.3	6.9	14.3

a - 5 week month or 14 week quarter or 53 week year

Source: Office for National Statistics

