# SMMT AUTOMOTIVE MANUFACTURING

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# UK car manufacturing hits 16-month record high

* UK car manufacturing rose significantly by 15.6% in January to 127,382.
* UK CV output fell modestly by 1.2% for the month to 9,844.
* UK engine production rose by 5.0% to 227,161 for January.

“UK car production continues to drive manufacturing growth and a rebalancing of the economy,” said Paul Everitt, SMMT Chief Executive. “Success in markets around the world is a tribute to the quality and competitiveness of UK production facilities, management and employees. It is essential government and industry continue the successful partnership that has helped deliver new investment and supply chain opportunities to secure long-term prosperity and jobs.”

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| **SMMT Ltd** | **Cars** | | **Commercial Vehicles** | | **Total Vehicles** | | **Total Engines** | |
| **Data:** | **Jan-12** | **YTD-12** | **Jan-12** | **YTD-12** | **Jan-12** | **YTD-12** | **Jan-12** | **YTD-12** |
| **Total** | **127,382** | **127,382** | **9,844** | **9,844** | **137,226** | **137,226** | **227,161** | **227,161** |
| % change | 15.6% | 15.6% | -1.2% | -1.2% | 14.2% | 14.2% | 5.0% | 5.0% |
| **Export** | **106,189** | **106,189** | **5,778** | **5,778** | **111,967** | **111,967** | **147,823** | **147,823** |
| % change | 12.9% | 12.9% | 0.7% | 0.7% | 12.2% | 12.2% | -4.1% | -4.1% |
| % of total | *83.4%* | *83.4%* | *58.7%* | *58.7%* | *81.6%* | *81.6%* | *65.1%* | *65.1%* |
| **Home** | **21,193** | **21,193** | **4,066** | **4,066** | **25,259** | **25,259** | **79,338** | **79,338** |
| % change | 31.6% | 31.6% | -3.8% | -3.8% | 24.2% | 24.2% | 27.3% | 27.3% |
| % of total | *16.6%* | *16.6%* | *41.3%* | *41.3%* | *18.4%* | *18.4%* | *34.9%* | *34.9%* |

**Car production rolling year total CV production rolling year total**