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Sales of new cars and light commercial vehicles in Russia showed continuous decline in 2009

- *Sales of new passenger cars and LCVs in Russia decreased by 49% in 2009 and by 38% in December 2009*
- *Among the top 10 bestselling models in 2009, nine are locally produced*
- *AEB AMC announces its forecast for 2010 as 1,5 million cars and LCVs*

Year **2009** saw sales of new cars and light commercial vehicles in Russia decrease by **49%** compared with the same period in 2008, or by 1,431,542 less sold units, according to the AEB Automobile Manufacturers Committee (AEB AMC).

Decrease for **December 2009** amounted to **38%** or by 80,086 less sold units as compared with the same period of 2008.

Among the **top ten bestselling models** of passenger cars in 2009, **nine** are produced in Russia.

“It is encouraging to see a slight improvement in December sales with a decline of only 38% compared to a full year drop of 49%. December has traditionally been a very strong month for car sales and I hope to see this positive development continue into 2010. 2009 was an exceptionally challenging year for the Automotive Industry globally but particularly in Russia where we experienced year to year drops of nearly 60% in individual months. The AMC has been encouraged by the support from the government to the industry during the year and has been pleased to have been involved in giving input to several programmes. It is vital that this dialogue continues and increases in 2010 so that the development of this important market returns to its previous levels. The Automotive industry is critical to the Russian manufacturing economy and all brands within the industry can make a significant contribution to the country's future development as a successful global manufacturing location”, commented David THOMAS, AEB Automobile Manufacturers Committee’s Chairman.

Martin JAHN, Vice Chairman of the AEB Automobile Manufacturers Committee continues, “In the AEB Automobile Manufacturers Committee we expect that in 2010 the market will reach 1,4 million passenger cars or 1,5 million, including light commercial vehicles. This forecast is quite optimistic and is based on the expectation that the state support measures - subsidized loans and the scrappage incentive - will be effective enough. A light revival of the market will come, most likely, in the second half of the year.”

Attachments:

1. New car/LCV sales in Russia by brands in 2009 / 2008
2. New car/LCV sales in Russia by groups in 2009 / 2008
3. 25 best sold models of cars in Russia in 2009 / 2008

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NEW CAR AND LCV* SALES IN RUSSIA BY BRANDS IN 2009 / 2008

(data submitted by the AEB Automobile Manufacturers Committee; retail sales of imported and locally produced vehicles)

BRANDS	2009	2008	%	Dec 2009	Dec 2008	%
LADA	349490	622182	-44%	27813	37138	-25%
CHEVROLET	104398	235466	-56%	9298	19986	-53%
FORD*	82083	186828	-56%	7005	17820	-61%
HYUNDAI*	74607	192719	-61%	7886	9706	-19%
RENAULT*	72284	108070	-33%	6266	8286	-24%
KIA*	70088	88152	-20%	8001	4418	81%
TOYOTA*	68731	189966	-64%	5843	13734	-57%
NISSAN*	64221	146548	-56%	4961	11870	-58%
GAZ*	58205	131003	-56%	5920	7538	-21%
DAEWOO	51414	95510	-46%	4451	3350	33%
MITSUBISHI*	41354	111567	-63%	2316	7042	-67%
VOLKSWAGEN	39488	50525	-22%	3017	5281	-43%
UAZ*	34660	53773	-36%	5571	4727	18%
OPEL*	34277	98800	-65%	1761	7338	-76%
SKODA*	33002	50733	-35%	2913	4981	-42%
MAZDA*	30643	73271	-58%	1716	3560	-52%
PEUGEOT*	29748	48085	-38%	1998	4167	-52%
SUZUKI	25335	38314	-34%	2648	2759	-4%
HONDA	23222	89152	-74%	1439	11128	-87%
FIAT*	18100	26058	-31%	2418	1978	22%
BMW	16350	18383	-11%	1744	1550	13%
AUDI	15009	17076	-12%	1091	1271	-14%
CITROEN*	12388	12245	1%	1080	1536	-30%
MERCEDES-BENZ	12050	16764	-28%	1095	1235	-11%
SUBARU	9598	21780	-56%	1079	1843	-41%
LAND ROVER	9275	20433	-55%	968	2073	-53%
SSANGYONG	9020	14406	-37%	1291	988	31%
GEELY	7681	3780	103%	304	406	-25%
CHANCE	7344	-	-	1572	-	-
VOLVO	6894	21041	-67%	545	2507	-78%
LEXUS	6400	14796	-57%	514	1386	-63%
VORTEX	5922	N/A	-	134	N/A	-
IZH (incl. VAZ 2104)*	5735	22306	-74%	50	953	-95%
VOLKSWAGEN Vans*	5650	10501	-46%	763	1200	-36%
TAGAZ*	5187	N/A	-	913	N/A	-
CHERY	4914	15728	-69%	567	548	3%
INFINITI	4630	7793	-41%	239	823	-71%
LIFAN	2673	4755	-44%	45	482	-91%
GREAT WALL*	2490	8324	-70%	129	373	-65%
CADILLAC	1529	1596	-4%	113	43	163%
MERCEDES-BENZ Vans*	1385	3063	-55%	112	396	-72%
PORSCHE	1266	1941	-35%	115	60	92%
HUMMER	1123	679	65%	55	66	-17%
BYD	1001	5341	-81%	19	419	-95%
JAGUAR	933	1689	-45%	67	192	-65%
SEAT	869	2182	-60%	20	129	-84%
MINI	686	853	-20%	68	51	33%
IVECO*	626	848	-26%	83	135	-39%
DODGE	441	4473	-90%	27	248	-89%
JEEP	416	2901	-86%	26	228	-89%
SAAB	368	1269	-71%	33	118	-72%
CHRYSLER	346	1425	-76%	24	72	-67%
IKCO sales stopped	178	2007	-	-	46	-
ALFA ROMEO	104	321	-68%	3	22	-86%
ISUZU*	86	38	126%	3	12	-75%
TOTAL	1465917	2897459	-49%	128132	208218	-38%

*LCV sales are included into total brand's sales if exist in the product line of the brand (brands marked *); reported separately for some brands. LCV₃,5t (with several exceptions reaching highest range of 6t). Some updates concerning LCV data may occur.

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****CHANCE = cars produced by "ZAZ" CJCS (Zaporizhzhia Automobile Building Plant, Ukraine), from July 2009 distributed in Russia by QUEENGROUP**

*****TAGAZ = cars and LCVs of TAGAZ brand produced at "TagAZ" LLC (Taganrog Automobile Plant, Russia)**

******VORTEX = cars produced at "TagAZ" LLC (Taganrog Automobile Plant, Russia)**

NEW CAR AND LCV* SALES IN RUSSIA BY GROUPS IN 2009 / 2008

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GROUPS	2009	2008	%	Dec 2009	Dec 2008	%
AVTOVAZ	349490	622182	-44%	27813	37138	-25%
GM Group	141695	337810	-58%	11260	27551	-59%
OPEL	34277	98800	-65%	1761	7338	-76%
CHEVROLET	104398	235466	-56%	9298	19986	-53%
CADILLAC	1529	1596	-4%	113	43	163%
HUMMER	1123	679	65%	55	66	-17%
SAAB	368	1269	-71%	33	118	-72%
VW Group	94018	131017	-28%	7804	12862	-39%
VOLKSWAGEN cars	39488	50525	-22%	3017	5281	-43%
VOLKSWAGEN vans	5650	10501	-46%	763	1200	-36%
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GAZ Group	58205	131003	-56%	5920	7538	-21%
GAZ cars	6222	19808	-69%	354	1780	-80%
GAZ vans	51983	111195	-53%	5566	5758	-3%
DAEWOO	51414	95510	-46%	4451	3350	33%
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ISUZU	86	38	126%	3	12	-75%

different from the international classification: brands represented on the Russian market by SOLLERS Group; see also above

SOLLER Group	61866	94275	-34%	9283	7705	20%
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** SEAT sales in Russia are done through a separate importer, not via Volkswagen Group Rus.

*** All brands of FIAT Group are sold via different importers in Russia.

**** CHANCE / TAGAZ / VORTEX: see explanation to the previous table

25 BEST SOLD MODELS OF CARS IN RUSSIA IN 2009 / 2008

(data submitted by the AEB Automobile Manufacturers Committee; retail sales of imported and locally produced vehicles)

#	MODEL	BRAND	2009	2008	%	Dec 2009	Dec 2008	%
1	Priora	LADA	99473	128175	-22%	8230	8652	-5%
2	Samara	LADA	90428	167441	-46%	6849	8968	-24%
3	2105/2107	LADA	67216	168176	-60%	4843	8866	-45%
4	Kalina	LADA	60746	94094	-35%	4590	7460	-38%
5	Logan	RENAULT	53869	74300	-27%	5143	5258	-2%
6	Focus	FORD	52108	93496	-44%	4617	10149	-55%
7	Lacetti	CHEVROLET	29362	81656	-64%	2834	6820	-58%
8	Nexia	DAEWOO	28233	50814	-44%	2715	1833	48%
9	4x4	LADA	26726	24349	10%	3161	2073	52%
10	Niva	CHEVROLET	24520	47486	-48%	2593	3178	-18%
11	Matiz	DAEWOO	23181	44696	-48%	1736	1517	14%
12	Lanos	CHEVROLET	23170	49284	-53%	1155	4788	-76%
13	Astra (with Astra Cabrio)	OPEL	18952	42259	-55%	1066	3343	-68%
14	Cee'd	KIA	18943	25040	-24%	1945	1801	8%
15	Getz	HYUNDAI	18560	37886	-51%	1092	1963	-44%
16	Camry	TOYOTA	16452	28029	-41%	1525	2102	-27%
17	Corolla	TOYOTA	16067	63986	-75%	636	4838	-87%
18	Aveo	CHEVROLET	15996	34362	-53%	1299	3453	-62%
19	Tucson	HYUNDAI	14299	21213	-33%	2108	1284	64%
20	Lancer X	MITSUBISHI	13795	56900	-76%	346	3199	-89%
21	Sportage	KIA	13717	6643	106%	1893	409	363%
22	Qashqai	NISSAN	13640	31945	-57%	1289	2928	-56%
23	Mazda3	MAZDA	13006	39144	-67%	475	1897	-75%
24	Grand Vitara	SUZUKI	12679	19897	-36%	1672	1253	33%
25	New X-Trail	NISSAN	11505	24521	-53%	342	2169	-84%

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