Passenger car registrations decreased by 1.4% in November and by 4.7% from January to November 2019

Vienna, 2019-12-10 – In November 2019, 23,271 passenger cars were newly registered according to Statistics Austria, a minus of 1.4% compared to previous years’ November. At the same time, a total of 28,169 new motor vehicles were registered, by 4.8% less than in November 2018, and by 11.1% less than in October 2019. In the period from January to November 2019, new car registrations decreased by 4.7% to 306,681, their share related to all motor vehicle registrations amounted to 75.1%. 408,624 motor vehicles in total were registered from January to November 2019, 2.7% less than in the same period of the previous year (419,903).

More passenger cars with alternative drives; decreases for petrol and diesel cars

The share of cars with alternative fuels rose by 2.9 percentage points to 7.8% of all newly registered passenger cars in the period from January to November 2019. This corresponds to an increase of more than half (+51.7%) compared with the first eleven months of 2018. Of these 23,766 new registrations of alternatively-powered cars, 46.6% were petrol hybrids, 36.0% electric cars and 15.1% diesel hybrids. At the same time, new registrations of petrol-driven cars decreased by 5.0% to a share of 54.0%, diesel-driven cars dropped by 11.1% to a share of 38.2%.

Top 3 passenger car makes were VW, Skoda and Seat

Among the ten most important passenger car makes, VW remained market leader with a share of 16.1%, despite new registrations declined by 8.7% compared to the same period of the previous year (January to November 2018). VW was followed by Skoda (share: 8.4%; +6.5%) and Seat (share: 6.2%; +4.1%). Further increases were also reported for BMW (share: 5.7%; +3.1%). Decreases were reported for Fiat (-11.9%), Opel and Hyundai (each -10.6%), Renault (-7.7%), Ford (-4.4%) and Mercedes (-2.5%).

Varying results for commercial vehicles, increases for two-wheelers

The market for commercial vehicles showed increases for lorries category (cat.) N3 (+9.3%) and tractors used for agriculture and forestry (+16.5%), but decreases for articulated lorries (-6.8%), lorries cat. N1 (-0.9%) and lorries cat. N2 (-0.6%). Among the two-wheelers, the number of newly registered scooters rose by 7.7%, those of motorcycles by 7.3%.

For more detailed results and further information concerning statistics of motor vehicles please refer to our website.

Information on methods, definitions: Motor vehicle statistics (registrations of new and used vehicles as well as the stock of vehicles) are secondary statistics, compiled on the basis of daily data files sent to Statistics Austria by Austria’s association of insurance companies (VVO). VVO, in turn, receives data by the insurances’ registrations offices, responsible for registrations, de-registrations and rectifications of motor vehicles and trailers. Within motor vehicle statistics, all motor vehicles, once nationally or internationally registered, are levied, irrespective of the registration’s duration.

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