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15% more new car registrations in April 2024

Significantly more combustion engines, fewer electric cars than in the previous year

Vienna, 2024-05-13 – According to Statistics Austria, 21 337 new passenger cars were registered in April 2024. This is 2 833 or 15.3% more than in April a year ago. Overall, the number of new motor vehicle registrations rose by 4 568 or 15.3% year-on-year to 34 477.

“The Austrian new car market has grown strongly again. More than 21 300 cars received a licence plate for the first time in April 2024, resulting in a double-digit percentage increase in new registrations. The overall growth of 15.3% is mainly due to a significant increase in registrations of combustion engines and hybrids, while demand for electric cars fell for the third month in a row,” says Statistics Austria Director General Tobias Thomas.

In **April 2024**, new registrations of passenger cars with conventional drive systems rose by a quarter compared to April of the previous year (12 267; +25.2%). 8 070 petrol cars (+27.0%) and 4 197 diesel cars (+21.9%) were newly registered. New registrations of petrol-hybrid cars (4 555; +10.9%) and diesel-hybrid cars (1 282; +6.7%) also increased. There were 9 070 new registrations of cars with alternative drive systems (+4.2%). New registrations of purely electrically powered cars fell (3 232; -4.8%).

January to April 2024: New car registrations up 3.7% year-on-year

In the period from **January to April 2024**, 84 600 new passenger cars were registered, which is 3 044 or 3.7% more than in the first four months of 2023. A total of 122 163 new registrations of motor vehicles were observed (+6,691; +5.8%).

New registrations of passenger cars with alternative drive systems totalled 39 122, an increase of 5.7% or 2 104 compared to the previous year. Of these, more cars with petrol hybrid drive systems were newly registered (20 369; +3 032; +17.5%). In contrast, there were fewer new registrations of diesel-electric cars (4 708; -339; -6.7%) and purely electrically powered cars (14 034; -596; -4.1%) compared to the previous year. In total, passenger cars with alternative drive systems achieved a share of 46.2%.

New registrations of passenger cars with conventional drive systems (45 478) achieved a share of 53.8%, an increase of 940 cars or 2.1% year-on-year. New registrations of diesel passenger cars (16 888; +666; +4.1%) and petrol passenger cars (28 590; +274; +1.0%) increased.

With a market share of 14.5%, VW topped the list of Austria’s most important passenger car makes. VW was followed by Skoda (10.0%), BMW (7.5%), Seat (6.3%) and Audi (6.0%). Compared to the period January to April of the previous year, new registrations at Suzuki doubled (+99.8%). More registrations were also recorded for Dacia (+22.7%), Toyota (+16.8%), BMW (+16.0%), Seat (+15.1%), Skoda (+5.0%) and VW (+2.8%). New registrations fell for Tesla (-7.4%), Audi (-5.9%) and Mercedes (-0.8%).

In the commercial vehicle market, more lorries category N2 (202; +80; +65.6%), lorries category N1 (11 852; +2 612; +28.3%), lorries category N3 (1 373; +196; +16.7%) and tractors used for agriculture and forestry (2 526; +88; +3.6%) were newly registered. In contrast, fewer articulated lorries (1 372; -318; -18.8%) were newly registered.

In the two-wheeler market, more mopeds (3 736; +318; +9.3%) were newly registered between January and April 2023. New registrations of motorcycles also increased (13 144; +717; +5.8%).

For detailed results and further information, please refer to our [website](#) (see “further data”).

Table 1: Registrations of new passenger cars by fuel type or power source

Fuel type or power source	April 2024	% share	% change vs. 2023	January to April 2024	% share	% change vs. 2023
Petrol	8 070	37.8	27.0	28 590	33.8	1.0
Diesel	4 197	19.7	21.9	16 888	20.0	4.1
Electric	3 232	15.1	-4.8	14 034	16.6	-4.1
Petrol/electric (hybrid)	4 555	21.3	10.9	20 369	24.1	17.5
Diesel/electric (hybrid)	1 282	6.0	6.7	4 708	5.6	-6.7
Other alternative drives	1	0.0	-50.0	11	0.0	175.0
Total passenger cars	21 337	100.0	15.3	84 600	100.0	3.7
Petrol and diesel cars	12 267	57.5	25.2	45 478	53.8	2.1
Cars with alternative drives	9 070	42.5	4.2	39 122	46.2	5.7

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Table 2: Registrations of new motor vehicles

Vehicle type	April 2024	% share	% change vs. 2023	January to April 2024	% share	% change vs. 2023
Passenger cars category M1	21 337	61.9	15.3	84 600	69.3	3.7
Motorcycles category L3e	5 909	17.1	14.8	13 144	10.8	5.8
Mopeds category L1e	1 443	4.2	1.0	3 736	3.1	9.3
Lorries category N1	3 097	9.0	35.4	11 852	9.7	28.3
Lorries category N2	66	0.2	175.0	202	0.2	65.6
Lorries category N3	401	1.2	42.7	1 373	1.1	16.7
Tractors (agricul., forestry)	739	2.1	6.0	2 526	2.1	3.6
Articulated lorries	405	1.2	-1.5	1 372	1.1	-18.8
Motor caravans	385	1.1	-32.1	1 066	0.9	-26.0
Other motor vehicles	695	2.0	23.7	2 292	1.9	16.7
Total motor vehicles	34 477	100.0	15.3	122 163	100.0	5.8

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Information on methodology, 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 data files sent to Statistics Austria by Austria's association of insurance companies (VVO). VVO, in turn, receives data by the insurers' registrations offices, responsible for registrations, de-registrations and rectifications of motor vehicles and trailers.

All new registrations, i.e. all brand-new registrations, are collected as part of the new vehicle registration statistics, regardless of the duration of the registration (including so-called short term registrations, e.g. one day registrations).

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