

## Press release

## THE ITALIAN AUTOMOTIVE INDUSTRY CLOSES 2017 WITH +6.9%

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Turin, February 9<sup>th</sup> 2018 - According to ANFIA data, in December 2017 the **national vehicles production** overtakes 45,000 units, registering a slowdown of 12% respect to December 2016, given also by the working days which were 18 in December 2017, against 20 of December 2016.

During the whole 2017, cars produced were over 740,000, in increasement of 4% respect to 2016, while the total of the vehicles produced overtakes 1.14 million of units, the 3.5% more respect 2016. Always during 2017, cars exported represent the 56% of the whole production, percentage which increases of 65% if we consider the export of cars in the total of the vehicles produced.

The national and the international requests lead the national production during this year. From January to December 2017, the Italian car market seen a growth of 7.9% (-3.2% during December) and registration of FCA Group registered a market share of 28,5%. Also the registrations of the other field, with the only exception of the light commercial vehicles (-3.4%), present a positive sign, in Italy, during the whole 2017: +4.5% for trucks, +20.3% for buses, +9% for heavy trailers and semitrailers and +0.5% for light trailers.

In the first eleven months of 2017, the value of the export of cars from Italy amount to 22 billion Euro, the 5.4% of the total exported which is in increasement of 13%. The import instead, amount to 30.5 billion of Euro (+10.4%), which is the 8.3% of the total imported in Italy. In November 2017, the export of cars reached a value of 2.09 billion of Euro (+7.4%), representing the 5.1% of the all exports, while the imports reached a value of 3.2 billion of Euro (+8.7%), which is the 8,9% of all Italian imports. The United States are still, in terms of value, the first country as destination for the export of cars from Italy with a share of 22.5%, followed by France and Germany, respectively with a share of 12% and of 11%.

"The Italian Automotive Production<sup>1</sup>, has seen in December a growth of 0.6%, while in the whole 2017 the growth has been of 6.9%. 2016 closed with +7% respect to 2015 which already grown 27%, this past year presented a positive trend, with the only exception of January (-0.2%) and August (-4%) - says Gianmarco Giorda, Director of ANFIA. The index of the Industrial Production<sup>2</sup> grows of 4.9% in December, while the year closes +3%.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Ateco Code 29: production of cars, car bodies, trailers and semitrailers and production of components and accessories for cars and their engines (no tyres).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Corrected for the calendar effect: working days have been 18 in December 2017 against 20 working days in December 2016 (with the only exception of the Construction field).



Also the Italian production of components and accessories for vehicles and their engines<sup>3</sup> is in slow down of 2.7% during the month, but it grows during the year, closing with +6.6%".

In November 2017, according to the last data available, the orders of this specific sector register an increasement of 5.5% (+3.1% for the national market e +9.4% for the international one), while from January to November 2017 the trend variation is +9,9% (+10.3% e +9.2% respectively national and international). The income of components sector, in the end, closes November with +7.5%, especially thanks to the international part which grows of 11.2% (+4.6% the national one). In the first eleven months of 2017, the index of the income keeps grow around 9.1%, with a national part in increasement of 11.2% (+6.6% the international income).

The orders<sup>4</sup> in the automotive sector show a trend of growth of 1.6% during November 2017 (given by an increasement of 1.8% of the national part and a growth of 1.3% of the international one), while in the cumulate from the beginning of the year the trend of growth is about 6.9% (+6.2% national market and +7.7% international market). The orders of the industry, present a growing of 8.9% during the month instead and they close from January to November 2017 with +6.5% (+6.5% both the national and the international parts).

The income<sup>5</sup> in the automotive sector, in the end, presents a growth of 3.6% in November and of 7.6% in the progressive since the beginning of 2017, thanks to an International income which grows of 12.3%, while the national one grows of 3.9%. For the industry the income grows of 5.1% in November, while the growth stopped with 5% in the first eleven months of the year (with the national income +4.5% and the international one +6%).

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Components: motor vehicle parts and components manufacturers; Car Coachbuilders and Designers: companies working in the sector of design, engineering and style of motor vehicles and/or parts and components for the automotive sector; Motor vehicles: motor vehicles manufacturers in general, including trucks, trailers, camper vans, special means of transport.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Codice Ateco 29.3, no tyres.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Unrefined data. The update data for December will be published by ISTAT on February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

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