

Press Release

ANOTHER SLOWDOWN DURING NOVEMBER FOR THE AUTOMOTIVE ITALIAN PRODUCTION: -13.3%

Car production slows down of 27% during the month

Turin, January 11th 2019 - According to ANFIA data during November 2018 the **National cars productions** reached almost 47,000 units, in slow down of 27% respect to November 2017.

In the first eleven months of the past year, the car production registers a slowdown of 9.5% (more than 631,000 vehicles) respect to the same period of 2017.

From January to December, the Italian car market decreases of 3.1% (+2% during December). In December, the FCA group registrations got a market share of 26%, with the volumes which decrease of 1% (and of 10% in the progressive 2018). In the other sectors, light commercial vehicles, (-6%, the slowdown during the month is of 11.5%), heavy trailers and semitrailers (-2%, with a slowdown of 3% in December) and light trailers (-6%, while December closes with -19%), show a negative sign in 2018. Positive closing instead from January to December for trucks (+5%, in spite of -18% during December) and for buses (+37% with a growth of 5% during the month).

In October 2018, the value of the export of cars from Italy reached 2.13 billions of Euro, the 4.9% of the exported overall and it decreases of 8.1%. The import of cars, instead, values 3.18 billion of Euro (+7.4% more than October 2017), which is the same, the 8% of the imported overall in Italy. 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 19.5%, followed by France and Germany, respectively with a share of 14% and of 12%.

In Italy, the index of the Industrial production in its overall¹ decrease of 2.6% in November, while it closes the first eleven months of 2018 with a +1.2%.

"The Italian Automotive Production in its overall², registers during November 2018 a trend of decrease of 13.3%, which follows the slowdowns already registered in the previous four months (-8.9% in October, -4.4% in September, -5.5% in August, -5.9% in July) - says Gianmarco Giorda, Director of ANFIA.

Also the Italian production of components and accessories for vehicles and their engines ³ has a negative sign both in November (-9.1%), and in the cumulate (-1.8%)".

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¹ Corrected following the calendar effects: working days have been 21 like in November 2017 (with the only exception of the Manufacturing sector). Starting from 2018, the index of the industrial production published by ISTAT on the new basis 2015=100 (until last month it was 2010=100).

² Ateco Code 29: production of cars, car bodies, trailers and semitrailers and production of components and accessories for vehicles and their engines (no tyres)

³ Ateco Code 29.3, no tyres.



In October 2018, according to the last data available, the orders of this specific sector register a decrement of 10.5%, because of the decrement of the national orders, (-13.3%), and of the international ones (-7.4%). Also in the first ten months of the year, the orders register a slowdown of 1.6% (-6.6% and +3.9% the national and international part, respectively). The income of parts, in the end, shows a slowdown of 2.5% during the month, because of the decrement of 9.8% of the national part, while the international one closes with +5.7%. From January to October 2018, the index of the income registers an increase of 0.3%, despite of a national part in slowdown of 5.9% (+7.6% the international income).

Orders⁴ for the automotive sector show a decrease of 6.4% during October, (because of a national part in slow down of 0.8% and of an international part in decrease of 13.5%). In the first ten months 2018 the orders register a decrease of 0.2% (-1.1% in the national market and +1.0% in the international one). The overall of the industry orders, instead, show an increase of 2.0% during October (+1.2 the national part and +3.0% the international one), and a growth of 3.2% in the cumulate since the beginning of 2018 (+2.1% the national part and +4.7% the international one).

The income⁵ in the automotive sector, in the end, shows a slowdown of 6.1% in October. Also in the first ten months of 2018 the income decreases of 0.9% (-1.8% the national income and of +0.3% the international one). For the industry the income (with only exception of the Manufacture sector) grows of 5.4% in October and of 4.2% from January to October 2018 (+3.6% on the international markets and +5,4% on the national one).

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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.

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