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**PRESS RELEASE**

***Sales of cars and light commercial vehicles in Russia continue to decrease***

- *Sales of passenger cars and LCVs in Russia decreased by 38% in February 2009 and by 36% in the first two months of 2009*
- *Among the top 10 bestselling models so far this year, eight are locally produced*

**February 2009** saw sales of cars and light commercial vehicles in Russia decrease by **38%** compared with the same period in 2008, or by 83,836 less sold units, according to the AEB Automobile Manufacturers Committee (AEB AMC).

Decrease for the first **two months of 2009** amounted to **36%** or 140,384 less sold units as compared with the same period of 2008.

Among the **top ten bestselling models** of passenger cars so far this year, **eight** are produced in Russia.

“February’s result, which shows car sales in Russia continuing to decrease further, is not a surprise for the industry”, said David THOMAS, AEB Automobile Manufacturers Committee’s Chairman. “The situation in Russia is similar to the current global car market and February’s credit availability situation remained the same as earlier, so the trend already seen in January continues”, commented Mr. THOMAS.

Martin JAHN, Vice Chairman of the AEB Automobile Manufacturers Committee continues, “Because of the increased customs tariffs, high loan interest rates and the rouble devaluation we can expect a further price increase and decline of the automotive market in Russia in the coming months. However, we hope that the measures undertaken by the local authorities, aimed at supporting the automotive industry in Russia will help to improve the situation.”

Attachments:

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

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## CAR AND LCV\* SALES IN RUSSIA IN FEBRUARY / 2 MONTHS 2009

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

BRANDS	January- February 2009	January- February 2008	%	February 2009	February 2008	%
LADA	58454	92821	-37%	29344	46197	-36%
CHEVROLET	20881	35508	-41%	10870	21755	-50%
FORD	18449	23695	-22%	10497	13942	-25%
HYUNDAI	15139	29441	-49%	7669	16743	-54%
TOYOTA	13849	22016	-37%	6522	11377	-43%
NISSAN	13615	21665	-37%	7364	13102	-44%
RENAULT	8718	14186	-39%	5465	8495	-36%
MAZDA	8408	9465	-11%	4927	5703	-14%
KIA	8311	13238	-37%	4676	6792	-31%
OPEL	8055	13103	-39%	4244	7301	-42%
HONDA	7368	9355	-21%	3708	5605	-34%
PEUGEOT	7034	4859	45%	3746	2832	32%
GAZ	6915	20328	-66%	3607	11100	-68%
VOLKSWAGEN	6869	4685	47%	3987	2608	53%
SKODA	6606	5335	24%	3819	3055	25%
DAEWOO	5928	14853	-60%	4011	7659	-48%
MITSUBISHI	4353	12050	-64%	2079	7506	-72%
UAZ	3649	7100	-49%	1823	4179	-56%
SUZUKI	3106	5312	-42%	1812	3295	-45%
FIAT	2605	2436	7%	1370	1572	-13%
BMW	2404	2130	13%	1503	1199	25%
SUBARU	2340	2488	-6%	1272	1348	-6%
CITROEN	2168	1089	99%	1220	610	100%
AUDI	1801	2162	-17%	1288	1255	3%
VOLVO	1652	1684	-2%	945	1250	-24%
LAND ROVER	1616	2789	-42%	847	1729	-51%
MERCEDES-BENZ	1557	1542	1%	915	912	0%
IZH (incl. VAZ 2104)	1396	3430	-59%	662	1958	-66%
SSANGYONG	1369	1805	-24%	708	1043	-32%
INFINITI	1263	707	79%	686	367	87%
LEXUS	1173	1601	-27%	430	1003	-57%
VOLKSWAGEN vans	780	974	-20%	450	510	-12%
CHERY	653	3454	-81%	363	1733	-79%
GREAT WALL	565	1728	-67%	281	852	-67%
GEELY	555	N/A	-	340	N/A	-
LIFAN	440	377	17%	205	221	-7%
BYD	415	483	-14%	159	251	-37%
MERCEDES-BENZ vans	299	343	-13%	228	221	3%
CADILLAC	207	133	56%	154	77	100%
JAGUAR	205	96	114%	120	61	97%
PORSCHE	194	198	-2%	123	136	-10%
SEAT	180	81	122%	97	61	59%
HUMMER	156	110	42%	108	64	69%
DODGE	139	518	-73%	36	290	-88%
JEEP	139	364	-62%	51	240	-79%
MINI	96	92	4%	60	68	-12%
IKCO	85	505	-83%	55	245	-78%
SAAB	58	131	-56%	26	82	-68%
CHRYSLER	51	187	-73%	21	124	-83%
ALFA ROMEO	27	46	-41%	15	20	-25%
ISUZU	19	0	-	4	0	-
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>252314</b>	<b>392698</b>	<b>-36%</b>	<b>134912</b>	<b>218748</b>	<b>-38%</b>

\* LCV sales are included into total brands' sales if exist in the product line of the brand; reported separately for Volkswagen and Mercedes-Benz only.

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## CAR AND LCV\* SALES IN RUSSIA BY GROUPS\*\* IN FEBRUARY / 2 MONTHS 2009

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GROUPS	January-February 2009	January-February 2008	%	February 2009	February 2008	%
<b>AVTOVAZ</b>	<b>58454</b>	<b>92821</b>	<b>-37%</b>	<b>29344</b>	<b>46197</b>	<b>-36%</b>
<b>GM Group</b>	<b>29357</b>	<b>48985</b>	<b>-40%</b>	<b>15402</b>	<b>29279</b>	<b>-47%</b>
OPEL	8055	13103	-39%	4244	7301	-42%
CHEVROLET	20881	35508	-41%	10870	21755	-50%
CADILLAC	207	133	56%	154	77	100%
HUMMER	156	110	42%	108	64	69%
SAAB	58	131	-56%	26	82	-68%
<b>FORD Group</b>	<b>20101</b>	<b>25379</b>	<b>-21%</b>	<b>11442</b>	<b>15192</b>	<b>-25%</b>
FORD	18449	23695	-22%	10497	13942	-25%
VOLVO	1652	1684	-2%	945	1250	-24%
<b>VW Group</b>	<b>16236</b>	<b>13237</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>9641</b>	<b>7489</b>	<b>29%</b>
VOLKSWAGEN cars	6869	4685	47%	3987	2608	53%
VOLKSWAGEN vans	780	974	-20%	450	510	-12%
AUDI	1801	2162	-17%	1288	1255	3%
SEAT****	180	81	122%	97	61	59%
SKODA	6606	5335	24%	3819	3055	25%
<b>HYUNDAI</b>	<b>15139</b>	<b>29441</b>	<b>-49%</b>	<b>7669</b>	<b>16743</b>	<b>-54%</b>
<b>TOYOTA Group</b>	<b>15022</b>	<b>23617</b>	<b>-36%</b>	<b>6952</b>	<b>12380</b>	<b>-44%</b>
TOYOTA	13849	22016	-37%	6522	11377	-43%
LEXUS	1173	1601	-27%	430	1003	-57%
<b>NISSAN Group</b>	<b>14878</b>	<b>22372</b>	<b>-33%</b>	<b>8050</b>	<b>13469</b>	<b>-40%</b>
INFINITI	1263	707	79%	686	367	87%
NISSAN	13615	21665	-37%	7364	13102	-44%
<b>PSA PEUGEOT CITROEN</b>	<b>9202</b>	<b>5948</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>4966</b>	<b>3442</b>	<b>44%</b>
PEUGEOT	7034	4859	45%	3746	2832	32%
CITROEN	2168	1089	99%	1220	610	100%
<b>RENAULT</b>	<b>8718</b>	<b>14186</b>	<b>-39%</b>	<b>5465</b>	<b>8495</b>	<b>-36%</b>
<b>MAZDA</b>	<b>8408</b>	<b>9465</b>	<b>-11%</b>	<b>4927</b>	<b>5703</b>	<b>-14%</b>
<b>KIA</b>	<b>8311</b>	<b>13238</b>	<b>-37%</b>	<b>4676</b>	<b>6792</b>	<b>-31%</b>
<b>SOLLERS Group (former Severstal-auto)</b>	<b>7642</b>	<b>11341</b>	<b>-33%</b>	<b>3905</b>	<b>6794</b>	<b>-43%</b>
FIAT	2605	2436	7%	1370	1572	-13%
ISUZU	19	0	-	4	0	-
SSANGYONG	1369	1805	-24%	708	1043	-32%
UAZ	3649	7100	-49%	1823	4179	-56%
<b>HONDA</b>	<b>7368</b>	<b>9355</b>	<b>-21%</b>	<b>3708</b>	<b>5605</b>	<b>-34%</b>
<b>GAZ Group</b>	<b>6915</b>	<b>20328</b>	<b>-66%</b>	<b>3607</b>	<b>11100</b>	<b>-68%</b>
GAZ cars	1387	3452	-60%	698	1766	-60%
GAZ vans*	5528	16876	-67%	2909	9334	-69%
<b>DAEWOO</b>	<b>5928</b>	<b>14853</b>	<b>-60%</b>	<b>4011</b>	<b>7659</b>	<b>-48%</b>
<b>MITSUBISHI</b>	<b>4353</b>	<b>12050</b>	<b>-64%</b>	<b>2079</b>	<b>7506</b>	<b>-72%</b>
<b>SUZUKI</b>	<b>3106</b>	<b>5312</b>	<b>-42%</b>	<b>1812</b>	<b>3295</b>	<b>-45%</b>
<b>BMW Group</b>	<b>2500</b>	<b>2222</b>	<b>13%</b>	<b>1563</b>	<b>1267</b>	<b>23%</b>
BMW	2404	2130	13%	1503	1199	25%
MINI	96	92	4%	60	68	-12%
<b>SUBARU</b>	<b>2340</b>	<b>2488</b>	<b>-6%</b>	<b>1272</b>	<b>1348</b>	<b>-6%</b>
<b>MERCEDES-BENZ</b>	<b>1856</b>	<b>1885</b>	<b>-2%</b>	<b>1143</b>	<b>1133</b>	<b>1%</b>
MERCEDES-BENZ cars	1557	1542	1%	915	912	0%
MERCEDES-BENZ vans	299	343	-13%	228	221	3%
<b>JAGUAR LAND ROVER</b>	<b>1821</b>	<b>2885</b>	<b>-37%</b>	<b>967</b>	<b>1790</b>	<b>-46%</b>
LAND ROVER	1616	2789	-42%	847	1729	-51%
JAGUAR	205	96	114%	120	61	97%
<b>IZH (incl. VAZ 2104)</b>	<b>1396</b>	<b>3430</b>	<b>-59%</b>	<b>662</b>	<b>1958</b>	<b>-66%</b>
<b>CHERY</b>	<b>653</b>	<b>3454</b>	<b>-81%</b>	<b>363</b>	<b>1733</b>	<b>-79%</b>
<b>GREAT WALL</b>	<b>565</b>	<b>1728</b>	<b>-67%</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>852</b>	<b>-67%</b>

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<b>GEELY</b>	<b>555</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>LIFAN</b>	<b>440</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>221</b>	<b>-7%</b>
<b>BYD</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>483</b>	<b>-14%</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>251</b>	<b>-37%</b>
<b>CHRYSLER Group</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>1069</b>	<b>-69%</b>	<b>108</b>	<b>654</b>	<b>-83%</b>
CHRYSLER	51	187	-73%	21	124	-83%
JEEP	139	364	-62%	51	240	-79%
DODGE	139	518	-73%	36	290	-88%
<b>PORSCHE</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>198</b>	<b>-2%</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>-10%</b>
<b>IRAN KHODRO (IKCO)</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>-83%</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>245</b>	<b>-78%</b>
<b>ALFA ROMEO</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>-41%</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>-25%</b>

\* LCV sales are included into total brands' sales if exist in the product line of the brand; reported separately for Volkswagen, Mercedes-Benz and GAZ only.  
LCV<sub>≤3,5t</sub> (with several exceptions reaching highest range of 4,2t)

\*\* Split according to control over brands by groups on the Russian market.

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\*\*\*\* SEAT sales in Russia are done through a separate importer, not via Volkswagen Group Rus.

## 25 BEST SOLD MODELS OF CARS IN RUSSIA IN FEBRUARY / 2 MONTHS 2009

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

#	MODEL	BRAND	January- February 2009	January- February 2008	%	February 2009	February 2008	%
1	Priora	LADA	15608	14470	8%	7551	6844	10%
2	Samara	LADA	15447	25341	-39%	7536	12525	-40%
3	2105/2107	LADA	12708	25001	-49%	6425	12626	-49%
4	Focus	FORD	10646	10295	3%	6124	5921	3%
5	Kalina	LADA	10466	13354	-22%	5650	7511	-25%
6	Lacetti	CHEVROLET	6245	11072	-44%	3173	6757	-53%
7	Mazda3	MAZDA	5531	4771	16%	3378	2786	21%
8	Logan	RENAULT	5491	10495	-48%	3448	6303	-45%
9	Camry	TOYOTA	5317	2805	90%	2846	1070	166%
10	Lanos	CHEVROLET	5120	6555	-22%	2978	4524	-34%
11	Niva	CHEVROLET	4383	7449	-41%	2044	4464	-54%
12	Getz	HYUNDAI	3894	6059	-36%	2049	3377	-39%
13	Astra (with Astra Cabrio)	OPEL	3704	5041	-27%	2038	2775	-27%
14	Spectra	KIA	3666	5572	-34%	2121	2954	-28%
15	Tucson	HYUNDAI	3615	2320	56%	2119	1050	102%
16	308	PEUGEOT	3223	0	-	1672	0	-
17	Nexia	DAEWOO	3041	7017	-57%	2065	3178	-35%
18	4x4	LADA	3017	3137	-4%	1519	1560	-3%
19	Matiz	DAEWOO	2887	7836	-63%	1946	4481	-57%
20	Civic	HONDA	2851	4523	-37%	1352	2676	-49%
21	Qashqai	NISSAN	2821	4018	-30%	1401	2541	-45%
22	Aveo	CHEVROLET	2783	6091	-54%	1373	3469	-60%
23	Octavia	SKODA	2618	2853	-8%	1590	1698	-6%
24	CR-V	HONDA	2570	2267	13%	1325	1398	-5%
25	Accent	HYUNDAI	2473	11974	-79%	594	6914	-91%

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