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Registrations of used passenger cars decreased by 48.7% in March 2020

Vienna, 2020-04-16 – In March 2020, registrations of **used passenger cars** fell by 48.7% compared to March 2019, as Statistics Austria reports. In January (+3.7%) and February 2020 (+0.1%) there had still been increases over the respective month of the previous year. In the first quarter of 2020, a total of 172 349 used passenger cars was registered, 16.6% less than in the same period last year.

Both diesel-driven passenger cars (share: 61.4%; -17.1%) and petrol-driven passenger cars (incl. flex-fuel; share: 36.6%; -17.3%) recorded declines compared to the first quarter of 2019. Alternative drives achieved a share of 2.0% and increased by one quarter (+26.2%).

All of the top 10 passenger car makes recorded declines compared to first quarter of 2019: Skoda -7.4%, Seat -13.0%, Audi -13.8%, BMW -14.5%, Mercedes -14.6%, Renault -15.0%, Ford -16.0%, Peugeot -16.9%, VW -17.0% and Opel -22.4%.

17.9% fewer motor vehicles from January to March 2020

A total of 202 762 **used motor vehicles** was registered in the in the period January to March 2020, 17.9% less than in the first quarter of 2019.

The market for used commercial vehicles documented more registrations for lorries category (cat.) N3 (+1.6%), but less registrations for lorries cat. N2 (-5.9%), lorries cat. N1 (-9.5%), articulated lorries (-10.2%) and tractors used for agriculture and forestry (-15.5%).

For used two-wheelers, fewer motorcycles (-43.2%) and scooters (-42.4%) were registered compared in the same quarter of the previous year.

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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