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**26.6% fewer new passenger car registrations in the period January to November 2020; alternative drives continue to gain in importance**

**Vienna**, 2020-12-10 – According to Statistics Austria, 224 968 new **passenger cars** were registered between **January and November 2020**, a decrease of 26.6% compared to the same period last year.

The number of petrol-powered cars (share: 44.2%) declined by 40.0% and new registrations of diesel-powered cars (share: 37.0%) decreased by 29.0%. In contrast, there were increases in new registrations of passenger cars with alternative drive systems compared to the same period of the previous year: New registrations of electrically powered passenger cars rose by 47.1% to 12 581 vehicles, cars with petrol-hybrid drives increased by 100.9% to 22 271 and cars with diesel-hybrid drive by 94.9% to 7 009.

VW (share: 15.5%), Skoda (share: 9.8%) and Seat (share: 6.6%) take the first three places among the top 10 brands with the highest shares of all new passenger car registrations. As in the previous month, all top 10 brands recorded double-digit declines in a year-on-year comparison: Opel -46.9%, Ford -29.5%, VW -29.1%, Hyundai -27.3%, Renault -24.7%, Seat -22.2%, BMW -19.6%, Mercedes -16.2%, Skoda -14.4% and Audi -13.9%.

In terms of newly registered commercial vehicles, declines were recorded for articulated lorries (-38.7%), lorries in the N2-class (-32.2%), N3-class lorries (-24.8%) and N1-class lorries (-16.8%), while tractors used for agriculture and forestry recorded a growth of 6.0%.

More new registrations were observed for motorcycles (+6.7%) as well as for scooters (+1.3%) compared to the same period last year.

In total, 320 779 new **motor vehicles** were registered in the first eleven months of this year, 21.5% fewer than in the same period last year.

**New registrations in November 2020**

In November 2020, 25 976 new motor vehicles were registered, 7.8% fewer than in the same month last year. The number of newly registered passenger cars in November was 20 055, which represents a decrease of 13.8% compared to November 2019.

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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