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## New-Vehicle SAAR | SAAR Soared in February

SAAR hit 15.8 in February, up from 14.9 in January

Monthly Light Vehicle Sales SAAR (millions)


## Fleet Sales | Sales up 10\% in February

December's SAAR was revised upward

## New Sales by Fleet Channel



## YTD Brand Sales | Jeep Big Winner YTD

Sales Change: YTD February 2024 vs YTD February 2023
120\%


## New Vehicle Inventory | Now Up 52\% From Last Year

Currently 942 K more units than last year, Days of Supply at 76.1 Days +36\% y/y


## Brand Inventory | OEM Strategy Differs

Some domestic brands show the highest inventory while Toyota is less than half the average


## New Vehicle List Price | Flattening At This Time

Weekly listed prices showed little change for the fifth week in a row, but are now up 1\% Y/Y



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## Used Vehicle Inventory | Up 9\% or 181K From Last Year

Days of supply now 43.9, down 5\% over the last week and only +3\% against 2023


Days of Supply weekly


## Used Vehicle Sales | Retail Sales Higher vs Last Year

Weekly Sales estimates increased 4\% over the latest week \& have moved higher vs 23

## Estimated Rolling 30 Day Retail Sales weekly



## Used Vehicle List Price | Down 3\% From Last Year

Listing Price has fallen each week this year, now 3\% lower than 2023 levels


## Used Price Trends Keep Diverging in 2024

The average MY 2021 wholesale price increased $0.6 \%$ last week while the average retail price declined $0.3 \%$ 3YO Retail and Wholesale Price Indices

80.0\%



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## New and Used EV Retail Sales



Retail Sales for Electric Vehicles: Brand Market Share


EV and ICE+ Comparison
"Tesla, Rivian and Brands with a "Direct to Consumer
Platform" are not represented here in the new car retail data.
New Days Supply (EV vs ICE+)


## New Retail EV versus ICE+ Comparison



## EV and ICE+ Comparison



## Used Retail EV versus ICE+ Comparison




## Growing share of Super Prime/Prime buyers financed with captives while more Near/Sub Prime borrowed directly from credit unions

How Purchasers Financed Their Vehicle
(Among buyers who financed with a loan*)

| Total | Super Prime/Prime <br> Credit Buyers (A) | Near/Sub Prime <br> Credit Buyers (B) |  |
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| \#1 Method | Bank/CU Through <br> Dealership/Retailer <br> $51 \%$ | Bank/CU Through <br> Dealership/Retailer | Bank/CU Through <br> Dealership/Retailer <br> \# |
| \#2 Method | Direct with Bank <br> $17 \%$ | Direct with Bank <br> $18 \%^{\mathrm{B}}$ | Direct with <br> Credit Union <br> $18 \%$ |
| \#3 Method | Direct with <br> Credit Union <br> $16 \%$ | Financed with Auto <br> Manufacturer <br> $17 \% \%^{\mathrm{B}}$ | Direct with Bank <br> $10 \%$ |

## Growing focus on ease and digitization

Top Reasons for Choosing a Lender (among those who purchased)*

## Total Buyers

Lowest interest rate/APR (49\%)

Trust this lender (31\%)
Ease of the loan application process (31\% 个)

Affordable monthly payment (31\%)

Dealer recommendation (23\%)
\% of Buyers Who Completed Step Online (among those who did each step)*


9\% signed paperwork digitally

Ease of Completing Financing


Completed all 7 steps online (A)
Completed 1-3 steps online (B)

## *Excludes lessees

Base: Buyers who financed (excludes cash buyers)
Arrows indicate significant difference between years at the $95 \%$ confidence interval Letters indicate significant difference between groups at the $95 \%$ confidence interval

## Marketing is most effective with Gen Z and Millennials

\% Who Say "Familiarity" is Important in Lender Consideration*

*Excludes lessee
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Baby Boomers are most satisfied with leasing; growing percentage of Millennials and Gen X decided to lease during the research process

Satisfaction with Leasing
Timing of Leasing Decision


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## KEY TAKEAWAYS

3 BIG THINGS


Tailor campaigns to the needs of Gen Z and Millennial buyers who are more receptive to marketing. Leverage data insights to deliver personalized messages, highlighting trust and reputation, across multiple online channels with a priority on third-party sites.

Completing more steps of the financing process online drives higher satisfaction and reduces time at the dealership. While most dealer websites have payment calculators and credit applications, upgrading with automation makes financing less stressful and provides a seamless experience.

Leasing is an attractive financing option for consumers for both its monetary and aspirational benefits. A growing number of Millennials and Gen X decided to lease a vehicle while researching financing options, a trend likely to continue as more attractive lease options become available.

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