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## Automotive

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The following links provide extensive industry information by various government agencies and other external sources.

[Office of Automotive Affairs, International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce](#) - helps to coordinate U.S. Government export promotion and trade policy

[Tariff and Tax Information](#), International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce - provides tariff and tax information levied on U.S. products exported to another country.

[Basic Industries](#) - International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce

[U.S. Census Bureau - Truck Trailers](#)

[Automotive Industries](#): Excellent site for information on the automobile industry.

[Autopedia- the Automotive Encyclopedia](#): A complete Internet source for automotive-related information, where consumers can find information related to Autos, Boats, Trucks, Minivans, Motorcycles, RV's and Sport Utilities.

[National Highway Traffic Safety Administration \(NHTSA\)](#): A very comprehensive site on automobiles.

[National Transportation Research Board \(TRB\)](#): A unit of the National Research Council. A private, nonprofit institution that is the principal operating agency of the National Academy of Sciences and the National Academy of Engineering. The Board's mission is to promote innovation and progress in transportation by stimulating and conducting research, facilitating the dissemination of information, and encouraging the implementation of research results.

[General Motors Corporation \(GMC\)](#): GMC's (the number 1 leading car manufacturer) web site provides information on their automobile line and other useful corporate facts.

[Ford Motor Company](#): The Ford Motor Company's (the second leading automobile manufacturer) web site provides a variety of

information on their vehicles, marketplace, financing, and investment information.

**DaimlerChrysler:** DaimlerChrysler's web page contains information on the corporation's finances, research and technology, investor relations, recent merger information, and a variety of other information on the world's 5<sup>th</sup> largest automobile manufacturer.

**Association of International Automobile Manufacturers, Inc.:**

Members of the Association of International Automobile Manufacturers, Inc. (AIAM) distribute world-class passenger cars, multipurpose passenger vehicles, and light trucks in the United States. AIAM acts as the common voice and information clearinghouse for the U.S. subsidiaries of these international automobile companies. AIAM also represents several original equipment manufacturers doing business in the United States. The organization communicates the true makeup of today's American automobile industry and creates an awareness of the contributions international automobile manufacturers make in America. AIAM also serves as the international auto industry's advocate on federal and state regulatory issues.

**AUTOFACTS:** A global automotive information company focused on the decision support needs of vehicle manufacturers, vehicle marketers, automotive suppliers and support organizations.

**United States Council for Automotive Research:** The umbrella organization of DaimlerChrysler, Ford and General Motors, which was formed in 1992 to further strengthen the technology base of the domestic auto industry through cooperative, pre-competitive research.

**Motor & Equipment Manufacturers Association (MEMA):** Founded in 1904, MEMA exclusively represents and serves more than 700 U.S. manufacturers of motor vehicle components, tools and equipment, automotive chemicals, and related products used in the production, repair, and maintenance of all classes of motor vehicles. MEMA is headquartered in Research Triangle Park NC, and has offices in Washington, D.C., Yokohama, Japan, Brussels, Belgium, Mexico City, and Sao Paulo.

**UNECE Global Agreement.** Agreement concerning the establishing of global technical regulations for wheeled vehicles, equipment and parts which can be fitted and/or used on wheeled vehicles.

**Automotive Parts & Accessories Association (APAA):** APAA strives to be a true business partner to all segments of its membership by keeping them informed about issues, technology and trends that affect all aspects of the marketplace. Founded in 1967, APAA remains the only automotive aftermarket trade association with a mission to stimulate and expand business both domestically and internationally for all segments of the aftermarket--retailers, manufacturers, manufacturer representatives, wholesalers, distributors and others who manufacture and market aftermarket products.

**Specialty Equipment Market Association (SEMA)**. SEMA's members are the producers and marketers of specialty equipment products and services for the automotive aftermarket. SEMA assists its members' businesses to succeed and prosper. SEMA is the guardian and leader of the specialty parts industry. Today there are more than 3,400 corporate members.

**The Automotive Parts Rebuilders Association (APRA)**. APRA is an association of over 2000 member companies that rebuild automotive related "hard" parts, such as starters, alternators, clutches, transmissions, brakes, drive shafts, and numerous other parts for passenger cars, trucks, off-road, equipment and industrial uses.