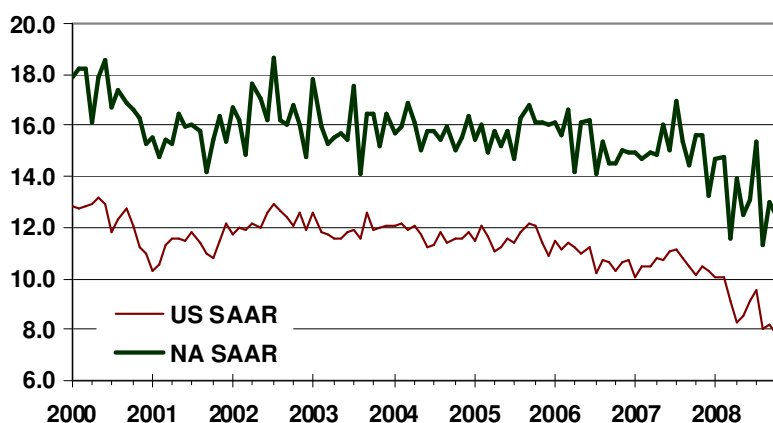


## CSM Automotive Production Barometer (APB)

CSM Worldwide, the leading provider of market intelligence and forecasting to the automotive industry, announces the November 2008 CSM Automotive Production Barometer™. Released in advance of existing sources of information, this service provides an accurate record of light vehicle production for the previous month to assist automotive economists and financial analysts in their ongoing industry evaluations.

- US light vehicle production declined 22.70% in October 2008 from year ago levels to 7.80 million units on a SAAR basis and the first time since July 1998 that US production fell below 8.0 million units.
- North American light vehicle production in October 2008 fell 20.10% from year ago levels to 12.45 million units produced on a SAAR basis.
- Year-to-date production is down 2.11 million units or 13.85% versus 2007. The auto sector continues to experience weakness with the Detroit 3 seeking government funding for support.
- US demand for autos will remain weak with year-over-year declines of greater than 10.0% on a SAAR basis virtually assured over the next eight months.

## CSM Automotive Production Barometer (US and NA SAAR, units in millions)



- Production continues to outpace demand with sharp slowdowns expected in 1Q 2009.
- North American production SAARs to drop into the 10- to 11.0 million over short-term.
- Broad based weakness impacting all manufacturers, Detroit most vulnerable.
- Despite sharp fuel prices decline, consumers unwilling to take risk of purchase.

Light Vehicle Production (units in millions)	Aug-08	Sep-08	Oct-08	YTD	2007	2006
US Total (SAAR)	8.00	8.20	7.80	8.82	10.54	10.86
Autos	4.14	4.06	3.85	3.90	3.71	4.14
Light Trucks	3.86	4.14	3.96	4.91	6.84	6.72
US (NSA)	0.67	0.72	0.75	7.50	10.54	10.86
North America (SAAR)	11.29	12.95	12.45	13.10	15.10	15.36

Light Vehicle Production (Y/Y %)	Aug-08	Sep-08	Oct-08	YTD	2007	2006
US Total (SAAR)	-26.00%	-21.80%	-22.70%	-16.70%	-2.90%	-6.10%
Autos	4.30%	5.70%	1.20%	-0.30%	-10.50%	-2.60%
Light Trucks	-43.60%	-37.70%	-37.10%	-26.40%	1.80%	-8.20%
US (NSA)	-32.40%	-13.10%	-22.80%	-16.70%	-2.90%	-6.10%
North America (SAAR)	-26.30%	-10.20%	-20.10%	-13.80%	-1.80%	-2.70%