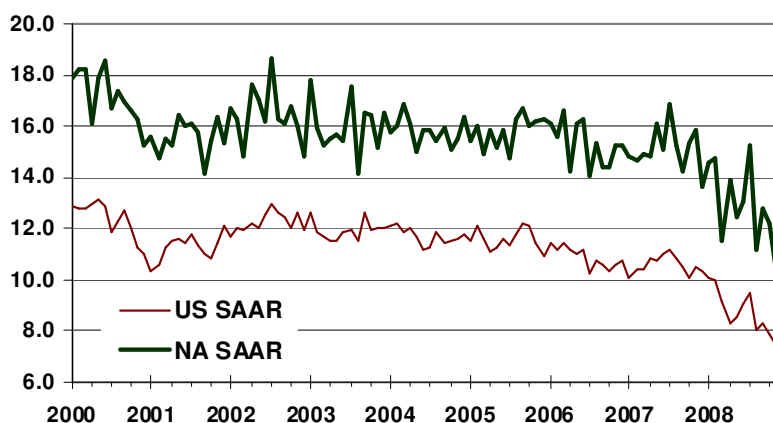


CSM Automotive Production Barometer (APB)

CSM Worldwide, the leading provider of market intelligence and forecasting to the automotive industry, announces the January 2009 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 plummeted 36.20% in December 2008 from year ago levels to 6.56 million units on a SAAR basis. US production in 2008 totaled 8.56m units, an 18.90% decline from 2007.
- North American light vehicle production in December 2008 fell 21.90% from year ago levels to 10.67 million units produced on a SAAR basis, only slight better than last month.
- Total North American production finished 2008 at 12.66m units, down 16.20% or 2.45m units less than 2007 with significant weakness projected through the first quarter.
- 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 seven months.

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



- Production continues to outpace demand with sharp slowdowns expected in 1Q 2009.
- Monthly North American production on a SAAR basis to fall into the 6.5- to 9.0 million unit range through the first quarter.
- Broad based weakness impacting all manufacturers, Detroit most vulnerable.
- Massive inventory correction underway to re-align to sharply lower demand levels.

Light Vehicle Production (units in millions)	Oct-08	Nov-08	Dec-08	2008	2007	2006
US Total (SAAR)	7.85	7.40	6.56	8.56	10.54	10.86
Autos	3.81	3.42	2.93	3.79	3.71	4.14
Light Trucks	4.04	3.99	3.63	4.77	6.84	6.72
US (NSA)	0.75	0.52	0.48	8.51	10.54	10.86
North America (SAAR)	12.19	10.42	10.67	12.66	15.10	15.36

Light Vehicle Production (Y/Y %)	Oct-08	Nov-08	Dec-08	2008	2007	2006
US Total (SAAR)	-22.20%	-29.20%	-36.20%	-18.90%	-2.90%	-6.10%
Autos	0.30%	-13.50%	-26.80%	-3.40%	-10.50%	-2.60%
Light Trucks	-35.80%	-38.70%	-42.10%	-28.10%	1.80%	-8.20%
US (NSA)	-22.80%	-40.20%	-27.50%	-19.30%	-2.90%	-6.10%
North America (SAAR)	-20.50%	-34.30%	-21.90%	-16.20%	-1.80%	-2.70%