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# U.S. Auto Industry <br> Chartbook 

## BBVA Research USA

Houston, TX
Third Quarter 2015

## Key messages

- Light motor vehicle sales reached 18.16 million in September, the highest level since July 2005
- Sales of light and heavy trucks follow an upward trend boosted by cheap fuel, employment growth and low interest rates
- Financial conditions are favorable, with rates still at historical lows and loan originations currently in pre-crisis levels
- Sustained economic growth and low energy prices will continue to support demand for light motor vehicle sales
- At 11.4, the average age of vehicle fleet could spur replacement in the short-term
- Demand for plug-in hybrids improved slightly in 3Q15, but remains constrained by the impact of low gasoline prices

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Sales

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## Sales

U.S. Total light weight vehicle sales (SAAR*, million units)


Source: BBVA Research \& Haver Analytics

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## Sales



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## Sales

U.S. Vehicle days to turn (industry average)


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## Sales

U.S. Market share by brand (\%)


Source: Bloomberg

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## Sales

U.S. Quarterly unit sales (yoy \% change)


Source: Bloomberg

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Prices
U.S. Consumer price index: cars and trucks (yoy \% change)


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Prices


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## Financing conditions

U.S. Car Ioan rates (\%)


## Financing conditions

U.S. Auto Ioan 90+ days delinquent (\% of balance)


## Financing conditions

U.S. Leasing penetration rate, \%


## Financing conditions

U.S. Newly originated installment auto loans (\$ billion, eop, 4-qtr moving average)


Gasoline
U.S. Spot price (\$/gallon)


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# Consumers 

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U.S. Plans to buy a car within 6 months, \% of respondents


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## Consumers

U.S. Employment and real disposable personal income growth (yoy \% change)


Source: BBVA Research and Haver Analytics

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## Household equity

U.S. Household equity and home prices


## Savings and deleverage

U.S. Debt-to-income ratio and savings rate


Source: Haver Analytics

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## Production

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## Production

## U.S. Auto production




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## Fundamentals

U.S. Mean age of passenger cars in operation
Years

U.S. Vehicle miles of travel Trillions


## Demographics

U.S. Population projections by age (millions)


## Demographics

## U.S. Licensed drivers by age



## Alternative vehicles

## U.S. New plug-in vehicle sales (thousands)



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Forecasts

## Forecasts

| Average | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Auto sales <br> (millions units) | 14.5 | 15.6 | 16.5 | 17.4 | 17.2 |
| GDP growth <br> (\% change) | 2.3 | 2.2 | 2.4 | 2.5 | $2.8^{*}$ |
| Unemployment <br> rate <br> (\% avg.) | 8.1 | 7.4 | 6.2 | 5.3 | 4.9 |
| Fed funds <br> (\%, eop) | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.25 | 0.50 | 1.00 |
| 5-year Treasuries <br> $(\%, a v g)$ | 0.76 | 1.17 | 1.64 | 1.51 | 1.79 |

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