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NEW CAR REGISTRATION FIGURES BY NATION FOR FEBRUARY 2015

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The table below shows new car registration figures for England, Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. Top performers by model are also listed in the attached sheet. Providing SMMT is acknowledged as the source, these figures may be quoted.

	February 2014	February 2015	% Change	Year-to-date 2014	Year-to-date 2015	% Change
England	56,959	64,047	12.44	186,165	203,726	9.43
Northern	4,419	4,524	2.38	11,080	10,880	-1.81
Ireland						
Scotland	5,009	5,775	15.29	17,683	18,303	3.51
Wales	1,941	2,219	14.32	7,390	7,785	5.35
Total	68,328	76,565	12.06	222,318	240,694	8.27

Note: Channel Islands and Isle of Man new car registrations not included.

Notes

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More detail on UK automotive available in SMMT's Motor Industry Facts 2014 publication at<u>www.smmt.co.uk/facts14</u>.

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