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Motor Vehicles: April-June 2008

The stock of licensed motor vehicles rose by 2,470 in the second quarter of 2008, to stand at 291,920.

As at end June 2008, the stock of licensed motor vehicles stood at 291,920. Of these, 75.9 per cent were private vehicles while commercial vehicles accounted for 16.3 per cent (see Table 1).

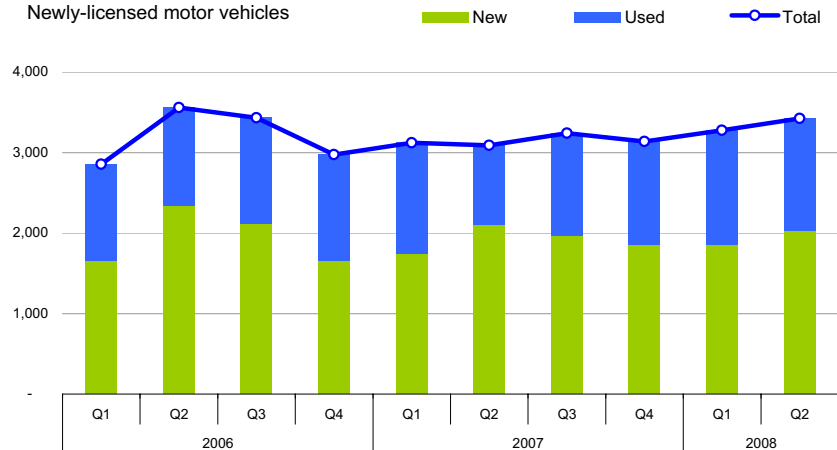
New licences

New licences issued during the second quarter of 2008 amounted to 3,422. Private vehicles accounted for 2,170 new licences, or 63.4 per cent of the total. In the reference quarter, the majority of new licences were issued to private vehicles falling within 'Class 1' (<1300 cc). This class accounted for 1,288 new licences, while vehicles in 'Class 2' (1301-1449 cc) accounted for 282. Newly-licensed 'new' motor vehicles amounted to 2,021, or 59.1 per cent of the total, while newly-licensed 'used' motor vehicles amounted to 1,401 (see Tables 3-4).

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Chart 1

Newly-licensed motor vehicles



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Exported, scrapped and garaged

In the second quarter of 2008, 10 vehicles were exported, a decrease of one over the first quarter. Scrapped vehicles numbered 668 of which 62.7 per cent were 'Class 1' private cars (<1300 cc). In the quarter under review, 1366 vehicles were garaged (see definitions at back). This means that as at end June, garaged vehicles accounted to nearly 67 per cent of total vehicles that are no longer on the road.

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Table 1. Stock of licensed motor vehicles (*)

Year	Agricultural	Coach and private bus	Commercial vehicle	G/Hire	Minibus	Motorcycle	Private vehicle classes								Electric motorcycle	Route bus	Self-drive car	Self-drive motorcycle	Taxi	Total
							Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6	Electric	Total						
2006																				
March	1,277	143	44,693	1,100	423	11,954	98,937	24,281	22,153	27,993	26,734	7,338	15	207,451	0	579	4,891	91	246	272,848
June	1,293	143	45,013	1,115	425	12,071	99,938	24,556	22,250	28,198	26,893	7,463	15	209,313	0	580	5,504	96	247	275,800
September	1,304	144	45,220	1,125	426	12,151	100,575	24,790	22,281	28,345	26,997	7,526	15	210,529	0	577	5,580	97	247	277,400
December	1,329	144	45,505	1,123	426	12,192	101,164	25,090	22,309	28,517	27,139	7,604	17	211,840	0	578	4,943	94	247	278,421
2007																				
March	1,347	147	45,844	1,107	424	12,303	101,932	25,311	22,339	28,718	27,227	7,704	17	213,248	0	579	4,900	95	248	280,242
June	1,378	149	46,163	1,124	424	12,366	102,833	25,577	22,379	28,958	27,353	7,823	25	214,948	0	580	5,486	99	248	282,965
September	1,393	149	46,495	1,135	425	12,553	103,762	25,863	22,443	29,189	27,538	7,914	27	216,736	0	580	5,541	98	248	285,353
December	1,415	150	46,853	1,136	433	12,695	104,659	26,123	22,450	29,431	27,758	7,981	27	218,429	0	582	5,083	96	248	287,120
2008																				
March	1,422	154	47,209	1,133	432	12,847	105,537	26,395	22,461	29,670	27,918	8,054	27	220,062	0	582	5,262	100	247	289,450
June	1,439	156	47,617	1,170	433	12,976	106,243	26,657	22,484	29,862	28,091	8,138	28	221,503	0	582	5,685	111	248	291,920

(*) As at end of period

Table 2. Newly-licensed motor vehicles (*)

Year	Agricultural	Coach and private bus	Commercial vehicle	G/Hire	Minibus	Motorcycle	Private vehicle classes								Electric motorcycle	Route bus	Self-drive car	Self-drive motorcycle	Taxi	Total
							Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6	Electric	Total						
2006	80	1	1,918	64	15	544	5,953	1,070	342	965	683	348	1	9,362	0	1	803	7	19	12,814
Jan-Mar	20	0	538	18	1	90	1,287	214	72	218	162	96	0	2,049	0	1	132	0	4	2,853
Apr-Jun	14	0	485	25	9	150	1,525	293	84	253	182	103	0	2,440	0	0	424	5	6	3,558
Jul-Sep	20	0	451	13	5	196	1,697	290	96	244	172	75	0	2,574	0	0	165	2	4	3,430
Oct-Dec	26	1	444	8	0	108	1,444	273	90	250	167	74	1	2,299	0	0	82	0	5	2,973
2007	97	6	2,021	76	20	740	5,400	1,029	361	990	688	314	11	8,793	0	4	808	1	23	12,589
Jan-Mar	25	2	511	19	1	181	1,380	242	89	229	162	71	0	2,173	0	1	205	0	5	3,123
Apr-Jun	32	3	468	26	5	182	1,232	243	78	222	138	91	9	2,013	0	0	355	1	3	3,088
Jul-Sep	25	0	495	19	5	189	1,424	286	111	274	173	80	2	2,350	0	1	150	0	6	3,240
Oct-Dec	15	1	547	12	9	188	1,364	258	83	265	215	72	0	2,257	0	2	98	0	9	3,138
2008**	73	6	1,082	59	15	358	2,621	586	157	537	357	150	1	4,409	0	8	675	2	11	6,698
Jan-Mar	34	4	487	23	7	140	1,333	304	72	276	180	74	0	2,239	0	5	328	0	9	3,276
Apr-Jun	39	2	595	36	8	218	1,288	282	85	261	177	76	1	2,170	0	3	347	2	2	3,422

(*) Figures include new and used licensed motor vehicles

(**) To date

Table 3. Newly-licensed 'new' motor vehicles

Year	Agricultural	Coach and private bus	Commercial vehicle	G/Hire	Minibus	Motorcycle	Private vehicle classes							Electric motorcycle	Route bus	Self-drive car	Self-drive motorcycle	Taxi	Total	
							Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6	Electric							Total
2006	17	0	564	61	10	423	3,303	1,017	229	557	512	243	1	5,862	0	1	803	7	19	7,767
Jan-Mar	1	0	175	17	1	66	690	203	52	135	116	67	0	1,263	0	1	132	0	4	1,660
Apr-Jun	8	0	126	23	7	126	942	280	53	128	141	70	0	1,614	0	0	424	5	6	2,339
Jul-Sep	2	0	144	13	2	150	964	278	57	148	128	55	0	1,630	0	0	165	2	4	2,112
Oct-Dec	6	0	119	8	0	81	707	256	67	146	127	51	1	1,355	0	0	82	0	5	1,656
2007	14	0	865	75	13	532	2,833	961	257	565	479	228	11	5,334	0	1	808	1	23	7,666
Jan-Mar	4	0	215	19	0	95	638	228	57	111	111	53	0	1,198	0	0	205	0	5	1,741
Apr-Jun	7	0	220	26	4	158	716	231	63	141	103	66	9	1,329	0	0	355	1	3	2,103
Jul-Sep	3	0	198	19	4	144	759	265	81	169	118	55	2	1,449	0	0	150	0	6	1,973
Oct-Dec	0	0	232	11	5	135	720	237	56	144	147	54	0	1,358	0	1	98	0	9	1,849
2008**	8	0	445	57	10	222	1,126	549	123	296	246	101	1	2,442	0	0	675	2	11	3,872
Jan-Mar	0	0	195	21	3	84	531	285	58	159	129	49	0	1,211	0	0	328	0	9	1,851
Apr-Jun	8	0	250	36	7	138	595	264	65	137	117	52	1	1,231	0	0	347	2	2	2,021

Table 4. Newly-licensed 'used' motor vehicles

Year	Agricultural	Coach and private bus	Commercial vehicle	G/Hire	Minibus	Motorcycle	Private vehicle classes							Electric motorcycle	Route bus	Self-drive car	Self-drive motorcycle	Taxi	Total	
							Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6	Electric							Total
2006	63	1	1,354	3	5	121	2,650	53	113	408	171	105	0	3,500	0	0	0	0	0	5,047
Jan-Mar	19	0	363	1	0	24	597	11	20	83	46	29	0	786	0	0	0	0	0	1,193
Apr-Jun	6	0	359	2	2	24	583	13	31	125	41	33	0	826	0	0	0	0	0	1,219
Jul-Sep	18	0	307	0	3	46	733	12	39	96	44	20	0	944	0	0	0	0	0	1,318
Oct-Dec	20	1	325	0	0	27	737	17	23	104	40	23	0	944	0	0	0	0	0	1,317
2007	83	6	1,156	1	7	208	2,567	68	104	425	209	86	0	3,459	0	3	0	0	0	4,923
Jan-Mar	21	2	296	0	1	86	742	14	32	118	51	18	0	975	0	1	0	0	0	1,382
Apr-Jun	25	3	248	0	1	24	516	12	15	81	35	25	0	684	0	0	0	0	0	985
Jul-Sep	22	0	297	0	1	45	665	21	30	105	55	25	0	901	0	1	0	0	0	1,267
Oct-Dec	15	1	315	1	4	53	644	21	27	121	68	18	0	899	0	1	0	0	0	1,289
2008**	65	6	637	2	5	136	1,495	37	34	241	111	49	0	1,967	0	8	0	0	0	2,826
Jan-Mar	34	4	292	2	4	56	802	19	14	117	51	25	0	1,028	0	5	0	0	0	1,425
Apr-Jun	31	2	345	0	1	80	693	18	20	124	60	24	0	939	0	3	0	0	0	1,401

(**) To date

Table 5. Exported motor vehicles

Year	Agricultural	Coach and private bus	Commercial vehicle	G/Hire	Minibus	Motorcycle	Private vehicle classes								Electric motorcycle	Route bus	Self-drive car	Self-drive motorcycle	Taxi	Total	
							Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6	Electric	Total							
							2006	0	1	7	0	0	9	14							7
Jan-Mar	0	0	4	0	0	0	7	0	0	2	2	1	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	16
Apr-Jun	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
Jul-Sep	0	0	1	0	0	1	4	2	0	3	6	2	0	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
Oct-Dec	0	1	1	0	0	8	2	4	0	3	2	2	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
2007	0	0	16	0	0	7	18	8	2	9	8	3	0	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	71
Jan-Mar	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	10
Apr-Jun	0	0	0	0	0	2	4	0	1	0	0	2	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
Jul-Sep	0	0	14	0	0	3	12	1	1	5	6	1	0	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	43
Oct-Dec	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	4	2	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
2008**	0	0	3	0	0	0	2	0	2	7	3	4	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	21
Jan-Mar	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	3	2	2	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	11
Apr-Jun	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	4	1	2	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	10

Table 6. Scrapped motor vehicles

Year	Agricultural	Coach and private bus	Commercial vehicle	G/Hire	Minibus	Motorcycle	Private vehicle classes								Electric motorcycle	Route bus	Self-drive car	Self-drive motorcycle	Taxi	Total
							Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6	Electric	Total						
							2006	1	0	306	10	7	68	1,872						
Jan-Mar	0	0	82	3	0	19	532	33	55	67	35	7	0	729	0	1	1	0	0	835
Apr-Jun	0	0	83	4	6	23	419	27	50	49	32	6	0	583	0	1	6	0	1	707
Jul-Sep	0	0	76	2	1	13	464	18	52	43	18	6	0	601	0	0	1	1	1	696
Oct-Dec	1	0	65	1	0	13	457	18	59	65	32	1	0	632	0	0	6	0	0	718
2007	1	0	263	4	11	57	1,508	90	219	208	109	14	0	2,148	0	3	4	0	4	2,495
Jan-Mar	0	0	99	0	1	16	392	24	60	53	36	2	0	567	0	0	1	0	1	685
Apr-Jun	0	0	48	2	2	16	352	13	50	51	21	3	0	490	0	0	1	0	0	559
Jul-Sep	1	0	62	2	5	16	405	26	55	53	32	3	0	574	0	1	2	0	1	664
Oct-Dec	0	0	54	0	3	9	359	27	54	51	20	6	0	517	0	2	0	0	2	587
2008**	0	0	106	4	10	25	744	40	103	124	40	8	0	1,059	0	0	6	2	1	1,213
Jan-Mar	0	0	44	1	3	7	325	21	44	66	25	4	0	485	0	0	2	2	1	545
Apr-Jun	0	0	62	3	7	18	419	19	59	58	15	4	0	574	0	0	4	0	0	668

(**) To date

Table 7. Garaged motor vehicles

Year	Agricultural	Coach and private bus	Commercial vehicle	G/Hire	Mimbus	Motorcycle	Private vehicle classes								Electric motorcycle	Route bus	Self-drive car	Self-drive motorcycle	Taxi	Total
							Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Class 5	Class 6	Electric	Total						
2008**	66	0	485	20	6	330	677	118	163	206	168	89	0	1,421	0	8	138	10	5	2,489
Jan-Mar	37	0	221	17	5	81	288	64	82	90	90	52	0	666	0	5	86	0	5	1,123
Apr-Jun	29	0	264	3	1	249	389	54	81	116	78	37	0	755	0	3	52	10	0	1,366

Table 8. Vehicles no longer on the road

Year	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total**
2008**	605	602	472	699	650	695	0	0	0	0	0	0	3,723
Exported	3	8	0	4	1	5							21
Scrapped	182	183	180	244	213	211							1,213
Garaged	420	411	292	451	436	479							2,489

(**) To date

Methodological Notes

1. This News Release is based on data provided by the Malta Transport Authority
2. Data are final and are not normally subject to revision
3. **Definitions:**

Agricultural	Motor vehicle, normally a tractor, designed exclusively or primarily for agricultural purposes; licensed to use roads open to public traffic.
Coach and private bus	Passenger road motor vehicle designed to seat more than 18 persons (including the driver).
Commercial vehicle	Road vehicle designed, exclusively or primarily, to carry goods. This category includes also leased motor vehicles.
G/Hire	Chauffeur-driven car for hire.
Minibus	Passenger road motor vehicle designed to seat up to 18 persons (including the driver).
Motorcycle	Two-wheeled road motor vehicle with or without side-car, including motor scooter, or three-wheeled road motor vehicle.
Private vehicle	Road motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle, intended for the carriage of passengers and designed to seat up to nine persons. This category is sub-divided into further classes according to engine capacity: Class 1: < 1300 cc Class 2: 1301 - 1449 cc Class 3: 1450 - 1500 cc Class 4: 1501 - 1800 cc Class 5: 1801 - 2000 cc Class 6: > 2000 cc
Electric car	Electrically operated car, totally independent of fuel-driven engine.
Electric motorcycle	Electrically operated motorcycle, totally independent of fuel-driven engine.
Route bus	Bus licensed to operate on established bus routes.
Self-drive cars	Passenger road motor vehicle available for hire (without chauffeur).
Self-drive motorcycle	Same as motorcycle above, available for hire.
Taxi	Passenger road motor vehicle available for hire (with chauffeur).
Semi-trailer	Goods road vehicle with no front axle which is designed to be hauled by a road motor tractor, which also carries a substantial part of the loaded weight. Semi-trailers are excluded from the total in the accompanying tables as these are not self-propelled.
Leased	A contract under which the owner of a motor vehicle grants to another person the exclusive possession of the motor vehicle for an agreed period, in return for a consideration, and under such conditions that the possessor of the motor vehicle will be obliged to pay the full amount of the consideration, or a penalty, to the owner of the motor vehicle, should the contract be terminated before the expiration of the agreed period. A QZ plate is assigned to all vehicles falling in the leased category.
Garaged	Vehicles no longer licensed for use on the road, but exclude vehicles which have been scrapped or exported.