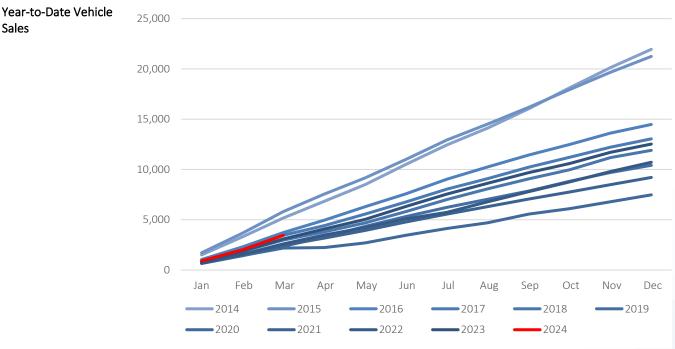
Overview

Category	Units	2024 YTD	Feb-24 (y/y %)	Mar-24 (y/y %)	Sentiment
Passenger	625	1,516	-14.9	11.4	\checkmark
Light Commercial	751	1,767	17.9	29.5	\checkmark
Medium Commercial	20	55	-40.0	-13.0	\checkmark
Heavy Commercial	55	119	45.5	14.6	×
Total	1.451	3.457	1.0	19.7	✓

Source: Lightstone Auto, IJG Securities

1,451 new vehicles were sold in March, an increase of 32.2% m/m from the downward revised figure of February, when 1,098 vehicles were sold, and 19.7% more than the 1,212 new vehicles sold in March last year. The 1,451 new vehicles sold represents the highest monthly sales total since December 2015. 3,457 new vehicles were sold during the first quarter of the year, of which 1,516 were passenger vehicles, 1,767 light commercial vehicles and 174 medium- and heavy commercial vehicles. By comparison, the first three months of 2023 saw 3,088 new vehicles sold, suggesting a promising start for new vehicle sales in 2024. On a 12-month cumulative basis, a total of 12,898 new vehicles were sold as at March 2024, representing an increase of 15.0% y/y from the 11,212 sold over the comparative period a year ago.

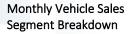


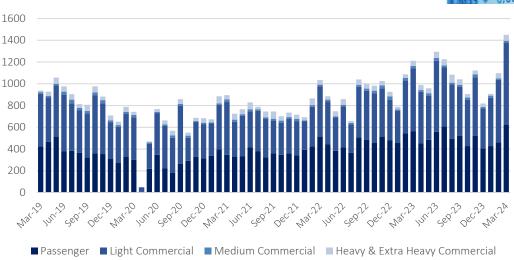
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Passenger Vehicles

625 new passenger vehicles were sold in March, a robust increase of 35.0% m/m and 11.4% y/y. As mentioned above, new passenger vehicles sold amounted to 1,516 during the first quarter, representing a decrease of 2.82% or 44 units compared to the 1,560 sold during the same period last year. On a 12-month cumulative basis, new passenger vehicle sales rose to 5,996, a 6.7% y/y increase from the 5,617 sold over the corresponding period a year ago. Toyota and Volkswagen's sales accounted for 73.1% of the new passenger vehicles sold in March.



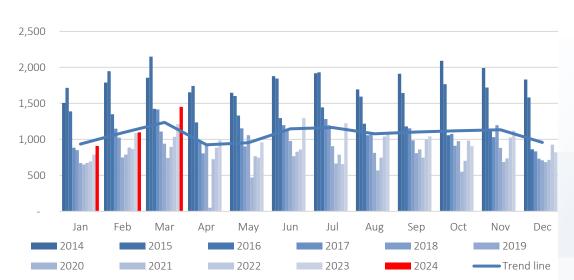




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Commercial Vehicles

New commercial vehicle sales remained robust, with 826 vehicles sold, up 30.1% m/m from the already elevated base in February and up 16.9% y/y. March's sales of 826 commercial vehicles marks the highest monthly number of new commercial vehicles sold since December 2015, mirroring the trend observed in total new vehicle sales. 1,941 new commercial vehicles were sold during the first three months of the year, which is 27.0% more than the 1,528 sold during the first quarter last year. On a year-on-year basis, light commercial vehicles rose 29.5% y/y to 751, medium commercial vehicles marginally declined by 3 units to 20 units and heavy and extra-heavy commercial vehicle sales rose 14.6% y/y to 55 units. On a twelve-month cumulative basis, light commercial vehicle sales are 25.4% higher than during the corresponding period a year ago, medium commercial vehicle sales are down 5.0% y/y, while heavy commercial vehicle sales rose by 16.4% y/y.



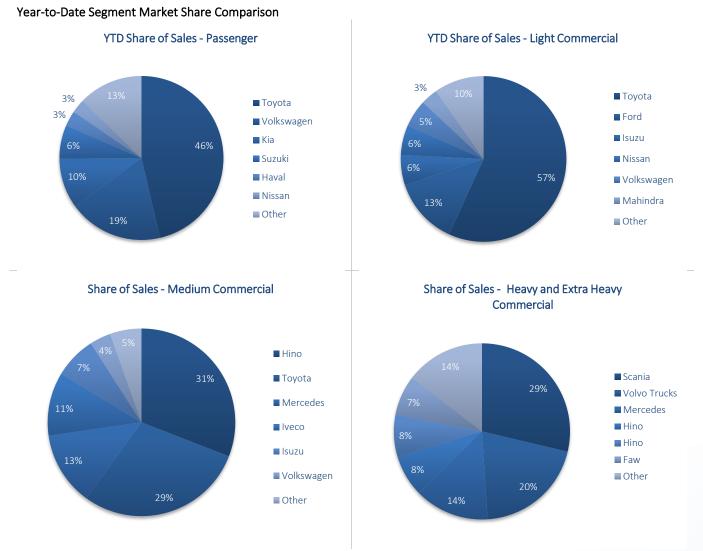
Monthly Vehicle Sales Trend



Source: Lightstone Auto, IJG Securities

Year-to-Date Market Share

Toyota increased its lead in the passenger vehicle sales segment, with a year-to-date market share of 46.4%. Volkswagen is in second place with 18.6% of the market share, followed by Kia with 9.9% market share. The top three were followed by Suzuki and Haval with 6.6% and 3.0% of the market, respectively, leaving the remaining 15.5% of the market to other brands.



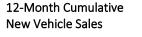
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Toyota continues to hold a commanding position in the light commercial vehicle segment, accounting for 56.8% of year-to-date sales. Ford trailed in second place, taking up 13.1% of the market share. In the medium commercial vehicle sector, Hino has surpassed Toyota in year-to-date sales, securing a 30.9% market share, while Toyota followed closely with 29.1%. Scania remains on top in the heavy- and extra heavy commercial segment with 28.7% of the sales year-to-date.



The Bottom Line

Demand for new vehicles remained strong in March, with the monthly sales figure reaching its highest point since December 2015. The rise in total vehicle sales were primarily driven by the surge in passenger and light commercial vehicle sales. The Q1 figure for the current year is the highest since Q1 in 2017, and the twelve-month cumulative sales figure remains consistent with levels observed around 2018. This indicates a positive and healthy trend in overall new vehicle sales.





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