# VIETNAM BUSINESS REVIEW 

A QUICK GLANCE OF THE CAR MARKET IN VIETNAM 2020

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## INTRODUCTORY

Due to the impact of the COVID-19 epidemic, the auto market in 2020 is less active than in previous years. However, with the increasing demand for car ownership and road travel, the car business will continue to grow.
The year 2020 is also a milestone for many FTAs in effect, which will lead to more fierce competition between domestically-assembled cars and imported cars. The Vietnamese government has also launched various policies to boost domestic automobile production.
Therefore, in this report, SEIKO IDEAS gathered some remarkable information about the automobile market in the past year. The contents of the report include:

- Domestic car business situation
- Vehicle import and export situation
- Related policies


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DOMESTIC CAR BUSINESS SITUATION

Consumption of domestically-assembled vehicles per year
(Unit: thousand units)



## SMALL CARS



## COMMERCIAL VEHICLES



Small truck ( $\leq 5$ tons)

## THACO



Light truck (5 ~10 tons)
THACO


Medium truck (10 ~ 24 tons)


## BUS



## SPECIAL-PURPOSE VEHICLES



Minibus (10-16 seats)

91.06

Medium bus ( $\mathbf{1 7} \mathbf{- 3 0}$ seats)


Large bus ( $\mathbf{3 1} \mathbf{- 5 5}$ seats)

## THACO



TOYOTA VIETNAM
Founded year: 1995
Best-selling car in 2020:
TOYOTA

Toyota Vios


Partner:
 Market share Best selling car


MERCEDES-BENZ
Founded year: 1995
Best-selling cars in 2020
Partners:


THACO
Market share: вм Luxury car:

MITSUBISHI VIETNAM
Founded year: 1994
Best-selling cars in 2020:
SPANDER


HONDA VIETNAM

Founded year: 2005
Best-selling cars in 2020:
HONDA

7,438 xe
CRV (CKD)


Partner: VEAM Market share:
VEAM CORP Best selling car

FORD VIETNAM
Founded year: 1995
Best-selling cars in 2020:


13,291 xe

Partner:
Market share:
DISOCO
(Pick-up models)


## THE NUMBER OF AUTOMOBILE IMPORTED PER YEAR


$\square$ Volume (thousands of units) $\quad$ Value (billion USD)

Proportion of car types by import volume (\%)


MAJOR IMPORT MARKETS (2020)


Car with up to 9 seats


■ Indonesia ■ Thailand ■ Other


Truck


■ Thailand



Other vehicles (specialpurpose vehicles)



Automobile Components and Spares


■ Korea ■ Thailand ■ Japan

## THACO

## Vietnamese companies aim to export cars to foreign countries




## STRATEGY FOR DEVELOPING VIETNAM AUTO INDUSTRYBY 2025, VISION TO 2035

## ESTABLISHING A BIG SCALE ENTERPRISE

- Vehicle manufacturing enterprises, prioritizing capacity of over 50,000 vehicles / year
- Engine parts producing enterprises, gearboxes, transmission assemblies

An important driving force to promote

Focus on development:


## SUMMARY

- The volume of domestic vehicles sold in 2020 will decrease compared to 2019 due to the economic slowdown (the main reason is the impact of the disease)
- The purchasing power of the market in the North and the South was stronger than that of the Central region. In particular, the North consumes more Sedans than the South, and the South consumes more SUVs, Cross-overs and Hatchbacks than the North.
- Thaco and Toyota are assemblers with a large market share in the Vietnamese market and the highest sales volume is Toyota's Vios (with 30,291 units).
- The automobile assembly factories are concentrated in two major economic clusters, the North and the South. In particular, foreign businesses often choose to cooperate with domestic assemblers.
- The consumption of imported cars is maintained at less than $40 \%$ of the market share of the automobile market due to the government's policies on tax and fees on cars.
- Vietnam mainly imports cars with less than 9 seats and trucks from factories in Southeast Asia; specialized vehicles imported from China; production packages imported from Japan and Korea
- Manufacturers in Vietnam such as Thaco and Vinfast have plans to export CBU vehicles abroad


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