

AUTOMOTIVE DAILY NEWS ALERT

Party scorecard disappointing: VACC (VIC)

Scorecard marks the political issues facing the automotive industry and finds parties wanting.

MTA NSW calls upon next Federal Government to address automotive skills shortage (NSW)

\$2.3 billion auto giant formed (AU)

The board of Automotive Holdings Group (AHG) has agreed with the strategic wisdom of the AP Eagers' proposed merger for a retail business that will account for 12 per cent of the new-vehicle market, but it took a little more sugar on the table to shake loose the last bit of reluctance.

Research grant for car industry (AU)

RMIT puts the auto industry under the microscope ahead of sweeping changes. The potential for disruption in the Australian transport industry is to come under the microscope in a research program aimed at assisting companies manage the changes, including the effect on dealerships, brought with the shift to electric vehicles and new technology-based players including Google.

Coles Express a driving force behind petrol price shock (AU)

China's BAIC seeks to buy 5 percent Daimler stake (INT)

CONSULTATIONS

Canberra petrol price inquiry: service stations respond to gouging claims (ACT)

Fuel groups have rejected accusations of price gouging, following [a damning report from the ACT's competition watchdog](#) that revealed Canberra's servos were making nearly twice the net profit of their regional counterparts.

PRODUCT RECALLS

Ford Motor Company of Australia Limited — Ford Ranger MY2016-2018 (AU)

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Mazda Australia Pty Ltd — Mazda BT-50 MY2016-2018 (AU)

ECONOMIC INDICATORS

RBA Statement on Monetary Policy May 2019

SELECTED AUTOMOTIVE PUBLIC COMPANY SHARE PERFORMANCE

AHG
AMA
AP EAGERS
BAPCOR
CALTEX
CARSALES
CHARTER HALL
MOTORCYCLE HOLDINGS
SIMS METAL
Metals Price Index LME

LEGAL

[MEMA fights Illinois bill that bars vehicular services from using non-original manufacturer compliant parts](#) (US)

REPORTS | STATISTICS

[Australia to mirror US car-buying trends](#) (INT)

Major study finds US buyers do not rate TV or Facebook in decision on what car to buy.

[AAA Study: Why Aren't Americans Plugging in to Electric Vehicles?](#) (US)

SKILLS | TRAINING

[42% of technicians rank EV and hybrid skills as 'most important'](#) (UK)

TECHNOLOGY

[Volkswagen targeting recycling 97% of raw materials in end-of-life EV battery packs](#) (INT)

INSIGHTS | VIEWS

[2019 fleet industry outlook – electric or hydrogen powered vehicles](#) (AU)

One of the big questions being asked is – will electric vehicles be a reality for fleets in 2019? The answer is Y-E-S according to Iain Paul, Senior Manager Business Sales, at Hyundai Motor Corporation Australia.

“They're already making their way in,” says Paul, “with both government and corporate clients placing orders for 2019 delivery.”

[Farmers welcome touted exit of quad bike manufacturers](#) (AU)

[Uber and Lyft IPOs mean the cheap rides are coming to an end](#) (INT) See also [Uber's IPO got caught in perfect storm](#)

[How Amazon can win the shipping war](#) (INT) See also - [Beware of Amazon's entry into logistics](#) (INT)

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