



SAFER AND CLEANER  
USED VEHICLES



## UPDATES & PROGRESS: GLOBAL USED VEHICLES IMPORT AND EXPORT



# 760,139

hybrid, plug-in hybrid and battery-powered electric used vehicles were exported globally by 4 major used vehicle exporting countries :



**European Union**  
(LDVs)



**Japan**  
(LDVs and buses)



**The Republic of Korea**  
(LDVs)



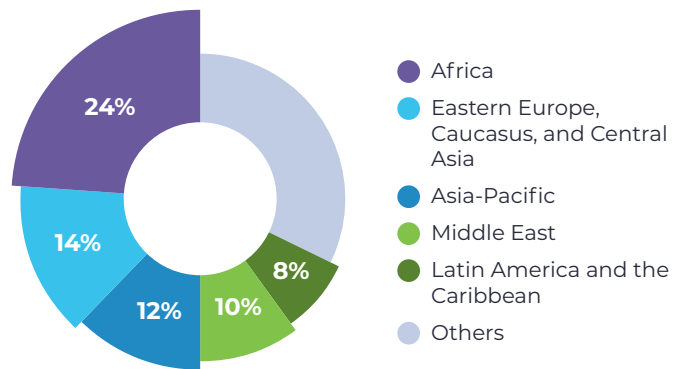
**USA**  
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to **208** used vehicle importing countries from **7** regions.



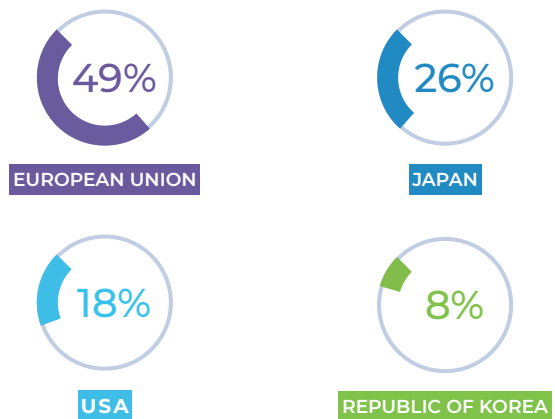
**23 million used LDVs** were exported between 2015 - 2020, around **66%** of which were exported to developing and transitional countries.

### HIGHEST SHARES OF IMPORTS



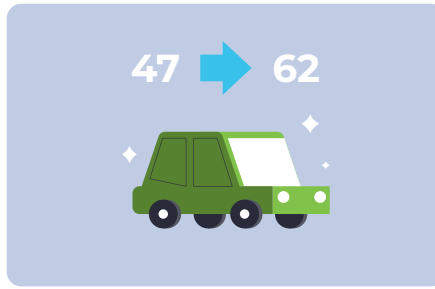
**Africa received the highest share of used LDV exports (24%)**, followed by Eastern Europe, Caucasus, and Central Asia (14%), Asia -Pacific (12%), the Middle East (10%), and Latin America and the Caribbean (8%).

### LARGEST EXPORTERS

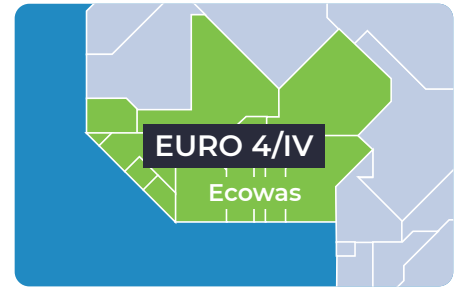


For the period 2015-2020, the **EU remained the largest exporter of used LDVs**, considering trade within and outside the EU at (49%) followed by Japan (26%), the USA (18%), and ROK (8%).

# PROGRESS ON EMISSION STANDARDS



From 47 to 62 countries with 'good' or 'very good' policies for better quality used vehicles since 2020.



15 countries of ECOWAS sub-region adopted a Vehicles Directive for Euro 4/IV equivalent emission standards (implementation from Jan 2021).



Peru adopted Euro 6/VI emission standards (implementation from Oct 2024) concurrently with 10 ppm fuels.



Cambodia adopted Euro 4/IV emission standards (implementation by end of 2021).



Ethiopia introduced higher taxation for used LDVs (up to 500%) to discourage import of older used LDVs.



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## The Safer And Cleaner Used Vehicles Project

### LAUNCH

June 2020

### IMPLICATIONS

To improve road safety through supporting the development of policies and the adoption of standards on exportation and importation of used vehicles. The aim is to put in place regulations, standards, and processes to ensure that countries will only receive quality used vehicles, which will have major road safety benefits, for both vehicle drivers, road users and co-benefits on the environment and economy.

### PARTNERS



**Steering group** (in alphabetical order): AUC, CITA, EAC, ECOWAS, FIA, FIA Foundation, ITF, UNECA, UNECE, UNEP, WHO, exporting and importing representatives.