

Local content requirements were reduced to 36 percent by the presidential decree of 1989. The decree allowed vehicle imports, but required manufacturers to maintain a positive trade balance. In 1991, the Mexican content achieved by the five passenger car manufacturers ranged from 71 percent for Chrysler to 84 percent for Nissan. The three truck manufacturers had lower rates, but all exceeded 60 percent.

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Group Name		Affilia	tes
Grupo Bocar		13	
Grupo Condumes	(16	
Grupo Echlin		7	
Grupo Federal M	ogul	- 4	
Grupo ICA		3	
Grupo Proeza		6	<u>.</u>
Grupo Ramirez		6	
Grupo Rassini		3	
Grupo Spicer		26 8	
Grupo Summa Grupo Tebo		12	
Srupo Industrial 1	Collecia	3	
Grupo Vitro		3	
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INDUSTRY STRUCTURE

The Mexican auto parts industry is organized into groups. The industry's national association, *Industria Nacional de Autopartes (INA)*, National Auto Parts Industry, represents the 140 largest parts manufacturers and produces most of the industry's statistics. The majority of these firms are clustered into 13 parts groups which link fabricators and distributors. Little information is available about the remaining 400 or so firms because they are small and do not belong to the *INA* or the parts groups. In addition, there are about 160 foreign-owned *maquiladora* companies, most of them located in the northern border region. They import parts duty-free, in-bond from the U.S. and re-export assembled components.