

and further to 820,558 in 1990, the latter composed by 598,093 cars and 222,465 trucks and buses.

In the next few years, the Mexican automobile industry is expected to grow at an average annual rate of 12% to 15%. In 1991, automotive sales are expected to reach 620,000 vehicles and 1992 will surpass the 700,000 limit. With further reforms related to the Free Trade Agreement, Mexico could assemble some one million vehicles within five years.

Total market participation by company during 1990 was as follows:

	CARS	GASOLINE TRUCKS	DIESEL TRUCKS
Nissan	22.8%	16.8%	
Chrysler	14.9%	20.5%	
Ford	14.9%	19.3%	
Volkswagen	38.2%	5.4%	
General Motors	9.2%	31.9%	
Dina		3.3%	23.8%
Mercedes Benz		2.7%	17.8%
Kenmex			57.1%
Other		0.1	1.3%

Source: AMIA

These firms operate a total of 15 plants in Mexico, of which 10 are American, 2 German and 3 Japanese. These 100% foreign owned firms produce automobiles, trucks and motors.

The following table shows the number, location and production of each manufacturer's plants, as well as employment and installed capacity when available.

MANUFACTURER/ SITE	EMPLOYMT.	PRODUCTION	UNITS
CHRYSLER			
Lago Alberto	4,500	Light trucks	
Toluca	5,400	1 vehicle assembly plant	100,000
		2 components plants	
		1 engine plant	
		1 standard transmissions plant	
Salttillo		engines	
NISSAN			
Cuernavaca	7,600	passenger automobiles	
		light trucks & buses	
		components	