



AAPC Statement on American University Auto Index

WASHINGTON, D.C. – American Automotive Policy Council President Matt Blunt today issued the following statement on an American University report showing a new way to rank automakers based on U.S. domestic content:

“While no index is perfect, the AU Auto Index is the most scientific approach we have seen. The report looks at the correct components to determine U.S. domestic content in automobiles to reveal what vehicles are really the ‘most American.’

“We’re proud to see the top 28 automobiles in this study – and 40 out of the top 50 – are produced by Chrysler, Ford and GM, the manufacturers that base more employees here, produce more vehicles, buy more parts and spend more here on research and development. Our members produce each of the top 7 pickups, the top 11 sedans and the top 16 SUVs in AU’s rankings.

“The domestic auto industry has driven job growth here at home, while 2 out of 3 of the models manufactured by their foreign competitors score poorly on U.S. domestic content (4 points or less out of a 100 point scale).

“Chrysler, Ford and GM have helped drive the American economy’s rebound, and we will continue to do that by creating jobs here at home. We welcome their recognition by this AU Auto Index.”

The American Automotive Policy Council, Inc. (AAPC) is a Washington, D.C. association that represents the common public policy interests of its member companies Chrysler Group LLC, Ford Motor Company and General Motors Company.

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