

**Question for written answer E-001811/2024/rev.1
to the Commission**

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Subject: Negative impact of the ban on internal combustion engines on employment

The de facto ban on new combustion engine cars from 2035 has already led to a shift in the production processes of car manufacturers in the EU.

It is no secret that the manufacture of electric cars is less labour intensive than that of combustion engine cars – this politically imposed technological change therefore affects the whole value chain. Many automotive suppliers are already dismissing employees.

The most recent case of Volkswagen cutting jobs and possibly closing plants is yet another example and more will follow.

1. When deciding on the ban on the internal combustion engine, was the Commission aware of its negative impact on employment?
2. What studies on the loss of jobs caused by the ban on combustion engines is the Commission aware of and which of these, in the opinion of the Commission, provides a reasonable basis for calculation?
3. Would a more open and technology-neutral approach to reducing emissions have resulted in fewer job losses?

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