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The Commission is closely following restructuring and job cuts in the automotive sector. These developments are driven mainly by several structural factors: weaker demand in the EU, trade barriers in third countries, high energy and production costs, and growing competition from third-country manufacturers. The Commission is aware that in Poland jobs have been lost at some vehicle manufacturers and suppliers, while at the same time many jobs and investments have been created by battery manufacturers and electric vehicles components suppliers. EU legislation[1] has also given rise to business opportunities for the production of electric buses in Poland.

The Commission presented the Automotive Action Plan[2] to support the sector's competitiveness and resilience while accompanying the industrial transformation. The recent Automotive Package[3] and the Industrial Accelerator Act[4] represent some of the most important follow-up actions, which aim to strengthen innovation, secure key supply chains, and create the right conditions for investment in Europe, including by reducing the administrative burden.

All major Commission proposals for climate and environmental legislation are accompanied by an impact assessment. The proposed Automotive Omnibus aims at further reducing the regulatory burden for vehicle manufacturers, inter alia by limiting Euro 7 type-approval emission testing for heavy-duty vehicles and relying more strongly on manufacturers' declarations.

The Commission will continue to work with industry, Member States and social partners to help ensure that the transition remains fair, competitive and socially responsible.

[1] https://eur-lex.europa.eu/EN/legal-content/summary/clean-and-energy-efficient-road-transport-vehicles.html.
[2] https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:52025DC0095.
[3] https://single-market-economy.ec.europa.eu/publications/automotive-package-documents_en.
[4] https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/HTML/?uri=CELEX:52026PC0100.