## The 2019 Automotive Outlook: Trade \& Labor Relations Issues

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## Positive Factors in the CAR Forecast:

- Projected moderate U.S. economic output growth in 2019
- Historically low U.S. unemployment rates
- Relatively low oil prices continue through 2020
- Underlying nominal wage growth continues
- High levels of consumer confidence were reached in Q4 2018, and
- Solid new housing starts and home prices rebounding to pre-recession levels


## There are Some Risks to the Forecast that are Difficult to Model...



CAR's U.S. Light Vehicle Sales Forecast 2019-2025

U.S. Sales


## Are Sales Back?

1995 - 2019 YTD (March)
$\longrightarrow I n$ Spending (Billion of 2009 \$) In Units


There's been a price shift.
Light Vehicle Sales and New Vehicle Price Index; January 2004 - March 2019


And a pronounced move toward light trucks enabled by relatively low fuel prices.
Light Truck Sales \& Real Gasoline Prices; 1990 - March 2019


## U.S. automotive employment growth is slowing.

Motor Vehicle \& Parts Manufacturing Employment; January 2010 - April 2019

*Transportation Equipment Manufacturing Employment
**National data follows one month behind State data. Indiana employment is estimated.

Assembly \& supplier overtime hours are steady.
Average Weekly Hours of Production and Nonsupervisory Employees; 2007 - March 2019
—Vehicle Assembly
—Parts Supplier
-12 per. Mov. Avg. (Vehicle Assembly)
—12 per. Mov. Avg. (Parts Supplier)


## Automotive labor productivity falls before (and during) a recession.

Recessions \& U.S. Automotive Productivity; 1960-2018


CAR's U.S. Light Vehicle Production Forecast 2019-2025


CAR's N.A. Light Vehicle Production Forecast 2019-2025

## N.A. Announced Automaker Investment by Region

 2009 to Q1 2019| Region | Investment Amount (\$USD) |
| :--- | :---: |
| Canada | $\$ 8.2 \mathrm{~B}$ |
| United States | $\$ 98.2 \mathrm{~B}$ |
| U.S. Great Lakes | $\$ 63.1 \mathrm{~B}$ |
| Michigan | $\$ 32.8 \mathrm{~B}$ |
| South | $\$ 22.3 \mathrm{~B}$ |
| Mexico | $\$ 24.8 \mathrm{~B}$ |
| Total | $\$ 131.2 \mathrm{~B}$ |

 South includes: AL, FL, GA, MS, SC, TN, and TX

Automotive investment announcements peak every four years, \& have been slower between Q4 2015-Q1 2019.
Quarterly Automaker Announced U.S. Investment; 2010 to Q1 2019


## FCA Announcements

## FCA Q1 2019:

\$3.5 Billion (6 announcements)

- Mack Ave Engine: \$1.6B
- Jefferson North: \$900.0M
- Warren Truck: \$500.0M
- Sterling Heights/Warren (Stamping): \$400.0M
- Dundee Engine: $\$ 119.0 \mathrm{M}$
- Auburn Hills (Components Plants): \$12.6M FCA-R Merger?


## Ford Restructuring



Ford: eliminating about 7,000 salaried positions (10\% of global salaried workforce) by the end of August

- In North America:
- 500 employees will leave involuntarily this week; majority of cuts completed by May $24^{\text {th }}$
- Ford expects 800 total layoffs by the end of June 2019
- Globally:
- Restructuring process expected to be completed in Europe, China, South America, and International Markets Group by the end of August


| Plant | Products | End of <br> Production | Employment | Union Local |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Detroit/ <br> Hamtramck | LaCrosse, Volt, <br> CT6, Impala | June 1, 2019 <br> January 2020 | $\mathbf{1 , 5 4 2}$ | UAW Local 22 |
| Lordstown | Cruze | March 1, <br> 2019 | 1,618 | UAW Local 1112 |
| Oshawa | Impala, XTS, <br> Silverado, <br> Sierra | Q4 2019 | 2,900 | Unifor Local 222 |
| Warren Trans. | 6 Speed Trans | August 1, <br> 2019 | 335 | UAW Local 909 |
| Baltimore <br> Ops. | Pickup <br> transmissions | April 1, 2019 | 310 | UAW Local 239 |

## YOY Change in U.S. Passenger Car Market Shares 2013-2018



# GM Vehicle Production Capacity and Capacity Utilization by Country, 2015-2018, 2019-2025(f) 

Production Capacity


Capacity Utilization


## GM Transmission Capacity and Capacity Utilization by Country, 2015-2018, 2019-2025(f)

Transmission Capacity


Capacity Utilization



Since 2009, GM \& Ford have lost share \& FCA has gained. Detroit 3 U.S. Market Share; 1985 - 2019 YTD Through April


## The United States cannot currently self-supply the vehicles American dealers sell to U.S. consumers.

Sourcing of U.S. Light Vehicle Sales
2018



2018 U.S. production is 55\% U.S.-based firms, 33\% Japanese firms, 7\% German firms, \& 5\% Korean firms.


MV \& parts trade comprise a large share of the U.S. trade deficit. Nearly One-third of Goods \& Services Trade Deficit and Almost One-quarter of the Goods-Only Trade Deficit


The bulk of U.S. motor vehicle \& parts trade is within NAFTA. Almost Half of Vehicle Exports \& Imports, Parts Imports; Over 70\% of Parts Exports

World


NAFTA


In addition to Canada \& Mexico - EU, Japan, South Korea, \& China are the U.S.'s major motor vehicle \& parts trade partners.

S. Korea



China


## Tariffs are piling up on light vehicles



## U.S. Consumer \& Economic Impacts of U.S. Automotive Trade Policies

- Assume:
- USMCA is ratified,
- Section 232 tariffs on steel \& aluminum remain in place on all current countries,
- Section 301 China tariffs remain at current levels, and
- Section 232 auto \& parts tariffs are levied at $25 \%$ on all trading partners except Canada, Mexico, \& South Korea


# Impact of USMCA, Section 232 Steel \& Aluminum Tariffs, Section 301 China Tariffs \& Potential Section 232 Auto \& Parts Tariffs 



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+$2,750 average
+$1,900 U.S.-built
+$3,700 imports
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-\$30.4B GDP

-1.3M fewer U.S. sales -\$43.6B dealership revenue -77,000 dealership jobs

## NAFTA Timeline Under Trade Promotion Authority

Figure I.Congressional Timeline


USMCA Passage is not certain.


## Presidential Proclamation on Canadian \& Mexican Steel \& Aluminum Imports

- Clears a hurdle to passing the USMCA
- Removes $25 \%$ steel and $10 \%$ aluminum tariffs on Canada \& Mexico
- Removes retaliatory tariffs placed by Canada \& Mexico
- Monitoring transshipments and subsidized/dumped steel \& aluminum
- No hard quotas, but... U.S. can re-impose tariffs if imports "surge" above historical levels \& Canada/Mexico can only retaliate in steel or aluminum



## Status of Section 232 Auto \& Parts Import Tariffs

- Tariffs delayed until 13 November 2019
- Only Ford \& GM are considered "U.S. firms"
- Focused on how imports harm ability to do R\&D needed to support national security
- Targeted at Japan, EU, and "any other country the Trade Representative deems appropriate"
- Commerce report still has not been made public



## Brief China Trade Update

U.S. raised tariffs from $10 \%$ to $25 \%$

- includes all automotive goods
U.S. moves to impose tariffs on nearly all Chinese imports including consumer goods
China retaliates with tariffs on \$60B U.S. imports (rates increase from 5-10\% to 20-25\%)
Average increase in cost due to
 tariffs/U.S.-built vehicle = \$190

2019 Negotiations


## Thank You

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