

## DEFINITIONS

This OICA statistics web page contains world motor vehicles in use obtained from national trade organizations, OICA members or correspondents, National Offices of Statistics or Ministries of Transport.

### **Vehicles in use:**

Vehicles in use are composed of all registered vehicles on the road. To calculate the motorization rate, population data published by the United Nations are used.

### **Vehicle type definitions:**

**Passenger cars** are road motor vehicles, other than a motor cycle, intended for the carriage of passengers and designed to seat no more than nine persons (including the driver). The term "passenger cars" therefore covers taxis and hired passenger cars, provided that they have fewer than ten seats. This category may also include pick-ups or microcars (need no permit to be driven).

**Commercial vehicles** include light commercial vehicles, heavy trucks, coaches and buses (except for some countries in which the buses or heavy trucks data are not available).