



instead of being created in-house, brands are changing and the giant auto makers are expanding deeper into providing financial services to car buyers. The skyrocketing price of gas spurs developments in hybrid technology and clean diesel, as manufacturers look for ways to improve fuel efficiency. Meanwhile, all of the biggest, most successful firms have become totally global in nature. Plunkett's Automobile Industry Almanac will be your complete guide to this immense, fascinating industry. On the car dealership side, giant, nationwide holding companies have acquired the best dealers in major markets. Even the used car business is being taken over by national chains. E-commerce is having profound effects on the car industry. Consumers use the Internet to become better informed before making a purchase. Online sites like Autobytel steer millions of car buyers toward specific dealers while the same sites deliver competing bids for cars, insurance and financing in a manner that lowers costs and improves satisfaction among consumers. Meanwhile, auto makers are using the latest in e-commerce methods to manage their supply chains and replenish their inventories. This exciting new book (which includes a database on CD-ROM) is a complete reference tool for everything you need to know about the car, truck and specialty vehicles business, including: Automotive industry trends and market research; Mergers, acquisitions, globalization; Automobile manufacturers; Truck makers; Makers of specialty vehicles such as RVs; Automobile loans, insurance and other financial services; Dealerships; Components manufacturers; Retail auto parts stores; E-commerce ; and much, much more. You'll find a complete overview, industry analysis and market research report in one superb, value-priced package. This book also includes statistical tables, an automobile industry glossary, industry contacts and thorough indexes. The corporate profile section of the book includes our proprietary, in-depth profiles of the 400 leading companies in all facets of the automobile industry. Purchasers may also receive a free copy of the company profiles database on CD-ROM.

A maintenance and repair manual for the DIY mechanic.

Hatchback, including special/limited editions. Does NOT cover features specific to Dune models, or facelifted Polo range introduced June 2005. Petrol: 1.2 litre (1198cc) 3-cyl & 1.4 litre (1390cc, non-FSI) 4-cyl. Does NOT cover 1.4 litre FSI engines. Diesel: 1.4 litre (1422cc) 3-cyl & 1.9 litre (1896cc) 4-cyl, inc. PD TDI / turbo.

This is one in a series of manuals for car or motorcycle owners. Each book provides information on routine maintenance and servicing, with tasks described and photographed in a step-by-step sequence so that even a novice can do the work.

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A maintenance and repair for the home mechanic. It provides step-by-step instructions for both simple maintenance and major repairs.

Training in the motor vehicle repair and sales sector in the Netherlands was examined in a study that included the following approaches: review of the sector's structure/characteristics, institutional and social context, employment practices, changing conditions, and available education and training; in-depth case studies of four auto repair shops and dealerships (two small, one medium-sized, and one large firm); and identification of economic, employment, and training trends. It was discovered that, in response to stagnation of the Dutch motor vehicle sales and repair industry in the 1990s, both the Dutch government and the industry have increased their commitment to vocational training and inservice courses and have created a training infrastructure that compares favorably with those of other sectors in the Dutch economy. All four businesses studied in depth were managed by individuals who were very involved in training, had access to good facilities and opportunities for on-the-job teaching/training, and could avail themselves of good external provisions for inservice training. Quality of service was an important element of training philosophy. Training needs were not always analyzed in a very structured way, and none of the businesses studied evaluated systematically the costs/benefits of training. Contains 20 references and 19 tables/figures. (MN)

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