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- In July, used-car auction values continued to decline significantly. Overall, the industry average dropped nearly $\$ 334$ month-over-month, or 1.85 percent.
- Used-vehicle values tend to decline during this time of year due to the atypical highs reached earlier this year. These declines will likely be pronounced throughout the rest of the year.
- Values hit a higher-than-expected peak this year, due to a delay in typical spring selling season, resulting from a poor winter season throughout many parts of the country in January and February.
- All segment averages dropped in July 2014. The subcompact segment reported the largest decrease, which is typical since the segment reacts most quickly to the changing market.
- The year-over-year gap at the start of June was 4.2 percent, and has fallen to 2.5 percent in mid-July. Looking forward, Kelley Blue Book expects the trend to continue, as values approach levels seen in 2013.


## Van, Truck Values Show Greatest Used-Vehicle Value Gains




## Subcompact Car Values Report Largest Declines



- With values declining, few segments are showing positive year-to-date change. On average, values have dropped 1.4 percent year-to-date.
- Although truck and full-size van values have decreased in the past four weeks, the year-to-date change remains positive and the highest in comparison to all other segments.
"Values for these vehicles have been strong throughout the year, a trend which continued in July," said Alec Gutierrez, senior analyst for Kelley Blue Book. "Due to the various commercial uses for trucks and vans, there typically is not the same level of volatility that we see in other segments."
- Permits authorized for privately-owned housing units declined 4.2 percent in June 2014 compared to May 2014, but remain up 2.7 percent year-over-year.
- Values for full-size pickups may continue to decline month-over-month if the construction sector continues its slowdown.
- Subcompact values continued to decline in July, surpassing the pace of depreciation seen in 2013.
- From a segment perspective, subcompact car values experienced the largest average decrease for the month of July. The segment is down an average of 3.1 percent month-overmonth.
"Due to the low prices of vehicles in this segment, values tend to be more sensitive to changes in the market," said Gutierrez. "Additionally, with the recent stability in fuel prices and low lease offers on new subcompacts, used subcompact values have suffered more than other segments."


# Compact Car Interest Increases in Used, CPO Markets 

National CPO Shopping Activity

|  <br> Change from <br> Previous <br> Quarter | CPO Vehicle Segment | Share of <br> Traffic | Significant <br> Change in Share <br> from Previous <br> Quarter |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: |
| $1[-]$ | Mid-Size Car | $12.8 \%$ | ( |

National USED Shopping Activity

| Rank | USED Vehicle Segment | Share of Traffic | Significant Change in Share from Previous Quarter |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 [-] | Compact Car | 15.6\% | A |
| 2 [-] | Mid-Size Car | 14.8\% | * |
| 3 [-] | Full-Size Pickup Truck | 11.0\% | $v$ |
| 4 [-] | Mid-Size SUV/Crossover | 10.6\% | $\square$ |
| 5 [-] | Entry-Level Luxury Car | 8.4\% | * |
| $6[-]$ | Compact SUV/Crossover | 7.4\% | A |
| 7 [-] | Full-Size Car | 5.5\% | $v$ |
| 8 [-] | Full-Size SUV/Crossover | 4.8\% | $v$ |
| 9 [-] | Mid-Size Pickup Truck | 4.6\% | $v$ |
| 10 [-] | Minivan/Van | 4.4\% | V |
| 11 [-] | Luxury Car | 4.1\% | $v$ |
| $12[-]$ | Sports Car | 4.0\% | * |
| 13 [1] | High Performance Car | 3.0\% | A |
| 14 [-1] | Luxury Mid-Size SUV/Crossover | 2.9\% | $v$ |
| 15 [-] | Sporty Compact Car | 2.6\% | A |
| 16 [-] | Subcompact Car | 2.4\% | A |
| 17 [-] | Hybrid/Alternative Energy Car | 1.6\% | A |
| 18 [-] | High-End Luxury Car | 1.3\% | A |
| 19 [-] | Luxury Full-Size SUV/Crossover | 1.1\% | \% |
| 20 [-] | Luxury Compact SUV/Crossover | 0.9\% |  |
| 21 [-] | Hybrid SUV/Crossover | 0.3\% | A |
| 22 [-] | Exotics | 0.2\% | * |
| 23 [-] | Electric Vehicle | 0.1\% | A |

National Sell/Trade Activity

| Rank \& Change from Previous Quarter | Sell/Trade Vehicle Segment | Share of Traffic | Significant Change in Share from Previous Quarter |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 [-] | Mid-Size Car | 18.8\% | A |
| 2 [-] | Compact Car | 17.3\% | * |
| 3 [1] | Mid-Size SUV/Crossover | 15.1\% | $\nabla$ |
| 4 [-1] | Full-Size Pickup Truck | 14.3\% | $\checkmark$ |
| 5 [-] | Entry-Level Luxury Car | 9.5\% | $\pm$ |
| 6 [-] | Compact SUV/Crossover | 9.1\% | * |
| 7 [-] | Full-Size Car | 8.0\% |  |
| 8 [-] | Full-Size SUV/Crossover | 7.7\% | $\checkmark$ |
| 9 [-] | Minivan/Van | 6.9\% |  |
| 10 [-] | Mid-Size Pickup Truck | 5.4\% | $\checkmark$ |
| 11 [-] | Luxury Car | 5.2\% |  |
| 12 [1] | Sports Car | 4.0\% | * |
| 13 [-1] | Luxury Mid-Size SUV/Crossover | 4.0\% | * |
| 14 [-] | High Performance Car | 3.0\% | A |
| 15 [-] | Subcompact Car | 2.8\% |  |
| 16 [-] | Sporty Compact Car | 2.5\% | $\checkmark$ |
| 17 [-] | Hybrid/Alternative Energy Car | 2.0\% | A |
| 18 [-] | Luxury Full-Size SUV/Crossover | 1.7\% |  |
| 19 [-] | High-End Luxury Car | 1.6\% |  |
| 20 [-] | Luxury Compact SUV/Crossover | 1.2\% | * |
| 21 [-] | Hybrid SUV/Crossover | 0.4\% |  |
| 22 [-] | Exotics | 0.2\% | 4 |
| 23 [-] | Electric Vehicle | 0.1\% | A |

Top 3 CPO Segments Shopped By Region

| Rest |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Rank | Vehicle Segment | Share |
| 1 | Compact Car | $13.1 \%$ |
| 2 | Entry-level Luxury Car | $11.9 \%$ |
| 3 | Mid-Size Car | $10.8 \%$ |
| Midwest |  |  |
| Rank | Vehicle Segment | Share |
| 1 | Mid-Size Car | $14.2 \%$ |
| 2 | Compact Car | $12.5 \%$ |
| 3 | Mid-Size SUV/Crossover | $11.6 \%$ |
| South |  |  |
| Rank | Vehicle Segment | Share |
| 1 | Mid-Size Car | $12.9 \%$ |
| 2 | Compact Car | $11.4 \%$ |
| 3 | Entry-Level Luxury Car | $10.4 \%$ |
| Northeast |  |  |
| Rank | Vehicle Segment | Share |
| 1 | Compact Car | $13.6 \%$ |
| 2 | Mid-Size Car | $13.5 \%$ |
| 3 | Mid-Size SUV/Crossover | $11.7 \%$ |

Top 3 USED Segments Shopped By Region

| West |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Rank | Vehicle Segment | Share |
| 1 | Compact Car | $16.7 \%$ |
| 2 | Mid-Size Car | $13.8 \%$ |
| 3 | Mid-Size SUV/Crossover | $10.1 \%$ |
| Midwest |  |  |
| Rank | Vehicle Segment | Share |
| 1 | Mid-Size Car | $16.0 \%$ |
| 2 | Compact Car | $15.2 \%$ |
| 3 | Full-Size Pickup Truck | $12.1 \%$ |
| South |  |  |
| Rank | Vehicle Segment | Share |
| 1 | Mid-Size Car | $14.4 \%$ |
| 2 | Compact Car | $14.2 \%$ |
| 3 | Full-Size Pickup Truck | $12.6 \%$ |
| Northeast |  |  |
| Rank | Vehicle Segment | Share |
| 1 | Compact Car | $16.7 \%$ |
| 2 | Mid-Size Car | $15.4 \%$ |
| 3 | Mid-Size SUV/Crossover | $10.7 \%$ |

Top 3 Segments Traded-In By Region

| West |  |  |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| Rank | Vehicle Segment | Share |
| 1 | Compact Car | $18.7 \%$ |
| 2 | Mid-Size Car | $17.3 \%$ |
| 3 | Mid-size SUV/Crossover | $14.0 \%$ |
| Midwest |  |  |
| Rank | Vehicle Segment | Share |
| 1 | Mid-Size Car | $20.3 \%$ |
| 2 | Compact Car | $17.0 \%$ |
| 3 | Mid-Size SUV/Crossover | $15.8 \%$ |
| South |  |  |
| Rank | Vehicle Segment | Share |
| 1 | Mid-Size Car | $18.2 \%$ |
| 2 | Full-Size Pickup Truck | $16.1 \%$ |
| 3 | Compact Car | $15.9 \%$ |
| Northeast |  |  |
| Rank | Vehicle Segment | Share |
| 1 | Mid-Size Car | $19.9 \%$ |
| 2 | Compact Car | $18.8 \%$ |
| 3 | Mid-Size SUV/Crossover | $16.1 \%$ |

- The compact car segment is the most-shopped vehicle segment in the West and Northeast regions. Compact cars rank second in popularity among the Midwest and South territories, trailing the mid-size car segment.
- Increased interest in compact cars primarily is driven by the Honda Civic. Recently redesigned in 2012, off-lease Civic models now are hitting the market, prompting a surge of research for the vehicle. Other compact cars affecting the used and CPO markets for similar reasons are the Toyota Corolla and Volkswagen Jetta.


## Appendix



- Gas prices this year have been fairly stable compared to previous years.
- Since June, gas prices have continued to be relatively higher year-over-year. However, prices are now beginning to decline, returning to where they were in 2013.


## Top 5 Performing Segments:

| SEGMENT | 4-Week (\%) |
| :--- | :--- |
| Exotic | $-0.40 \%$ |
| Van | $-0.60 \%$ |
| Compact Luxury Car | $-0.60 \%$ |
| Full Size Crossover | $-0.70 \%$ |
| Full Size Sport Utility | $-0.80 \%$ |

MY 2011-2013, Kelley Blue Book Auction Value

## Top 10 Performing Models:

| MAKE | MODEL | 4-Week (\%) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Mazda | RX-8 | $2.90 \%$ |
| Nissan | NV1500 Cargo | $1.50 \%$ |
| Volkswagen | Eos | $1.40 \%$ |
| Honda | Accord Crosstour | $1.10 \%$ |
| GMC | Savana 2500 Cargo | $0.70 \%$ |
| Chevrolet | Express 2500 Cargo | $0.70 \%$ |
| Mitsubishi | Eclipse | $0.50 \%$ |
| Ford | Taurus | $0.40 \%$ |
| Honda | Insight | $0.30 \%$ |
| Acura | ZDX | $0.30 \%$ |
| MY 2011-2013, Kelley Blue Book Auction Value |  |  |

## Bottom 5 Performing Segments:

| SEGMENT | 4-Week (\%) |
| :--- | :---: |
| Subcompact Car | $-3.10 \%$ |
| Minivan | $-2.70 \%$ |
| Hybrid Car | $-2.60 \%$ |
| Compact Car | $-2.60 \%$ |
| Luxury Car | $-2.50 \%$ |

MY 2011-2013, Kelley Blue Book Auction Value

Bottom10 Performing Models:

| MAKE | MODEL | 4-Week (\%) |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Chevrolet | Volt | $-7.10 \%$ |
| Mitsubishi | i-MiEV | $-5.80 \%$ |
| Chevrolet | Spark | $-5.60 \%$ |
| Chevrolet | Sonic | $-5.50 \%$ |
| Kia | Forte | $-5.50 \%$ |
| Mitsubishi | Endeavor | $-5.40 \%$ |
| Chevrolet | Captiva Sport | $-5.30 \%$ |
| Volkswagen | Passat | $-5.10 \%$ |
| Infiniti | EX | $-5.10 \%$ |
| Chevrolet | Cruze | $-5.10 \%$ |
| MY 2011-2013, Kelley | Blue Book Auction Value |  |

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