

THE SUV SEGMENT OUTLOOK STUDY

FEBRUARY 2019



Has the SUV Market Peaked?

The SUV Market Does Not Appear to Be Peaking in the Short Term....However, There are Signs of Saturation

**SUV Sales have grown 16% in the last 2 years.
6.5+ million units were sold in 2018**



Are there indications of SUVs peaking?



Sales - 6.5+ million units and forecasted to grow



Consideration - highest



4x as many SUVs from 30 years ago

Are there indications of SUV Saturation?



Days supply increasing



Average ATP increasing

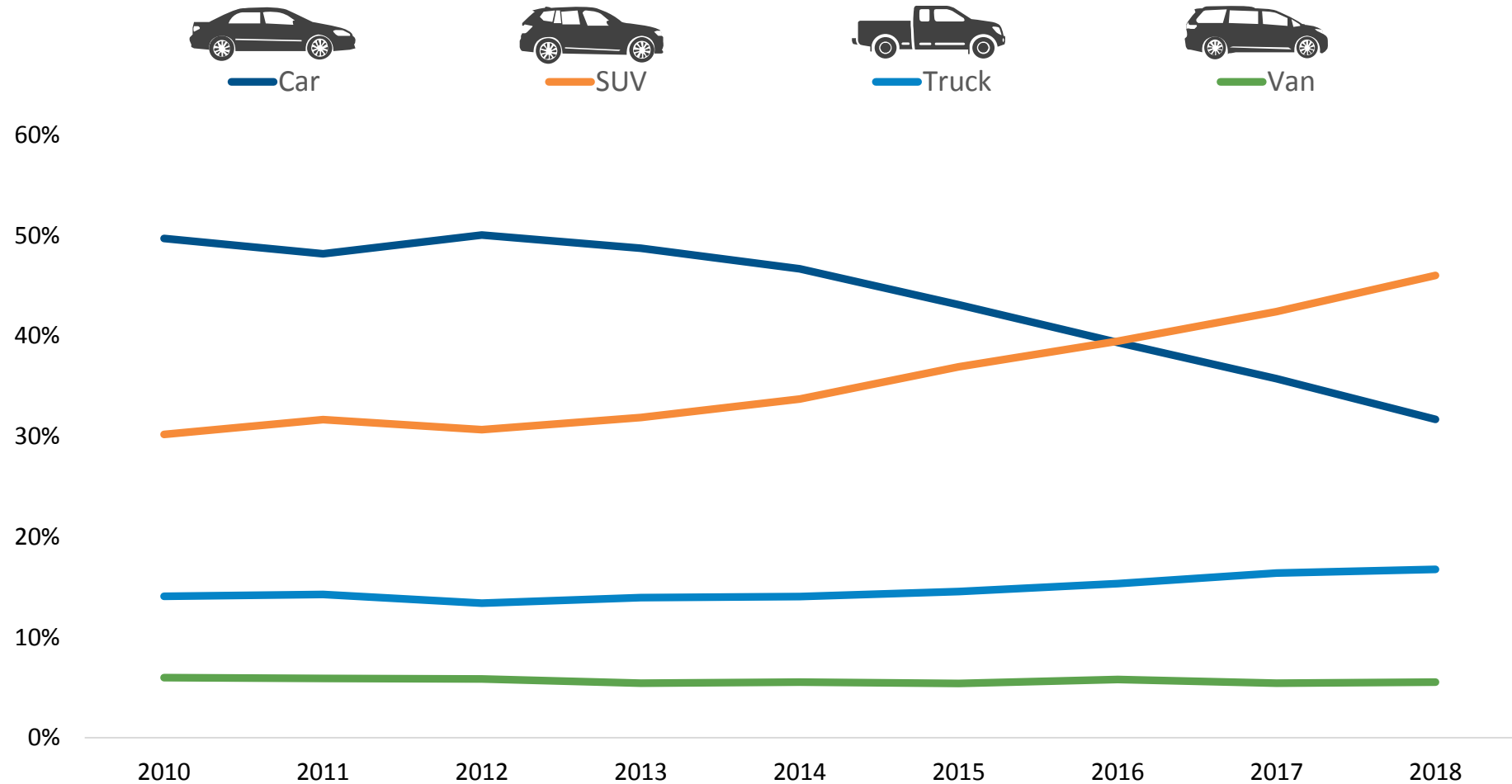


Increased competition from used market



More SUV launches

Utility Sales Overtook Car Sales in 2016 and is Now the Most Popular Segment



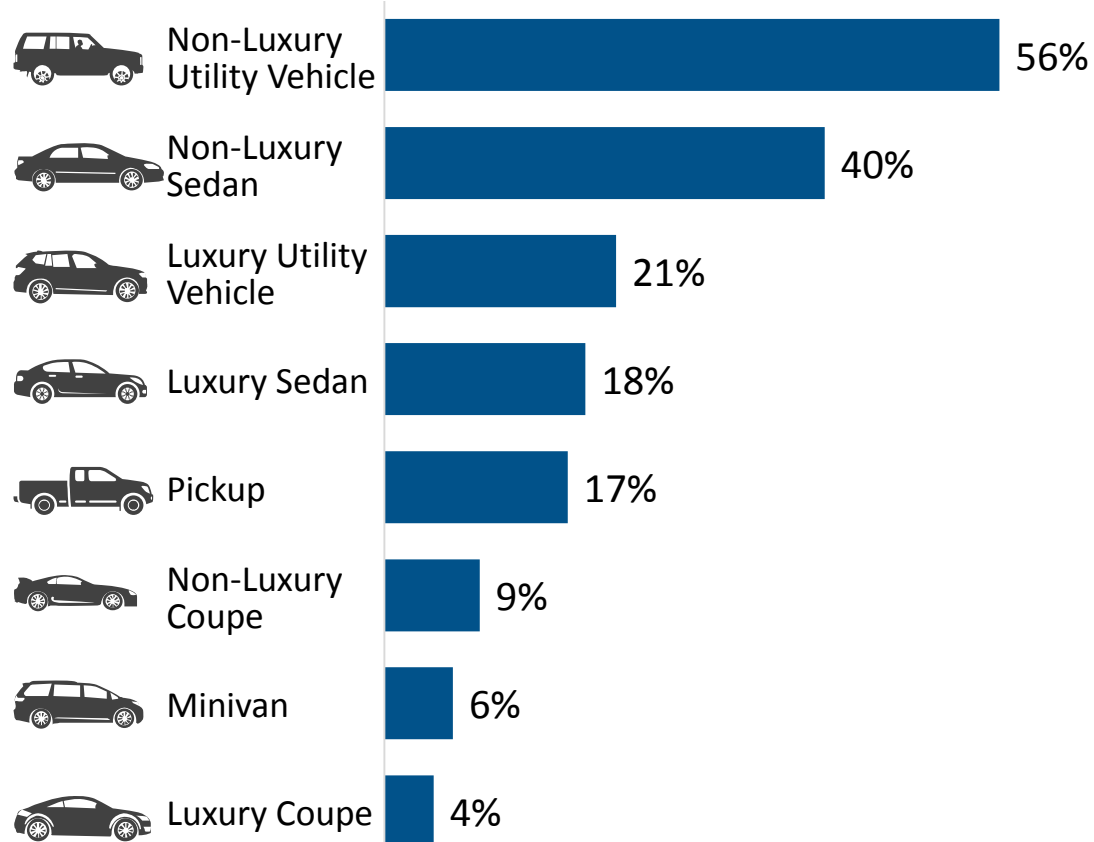
SUV Segment Shares Forecasted to Grow



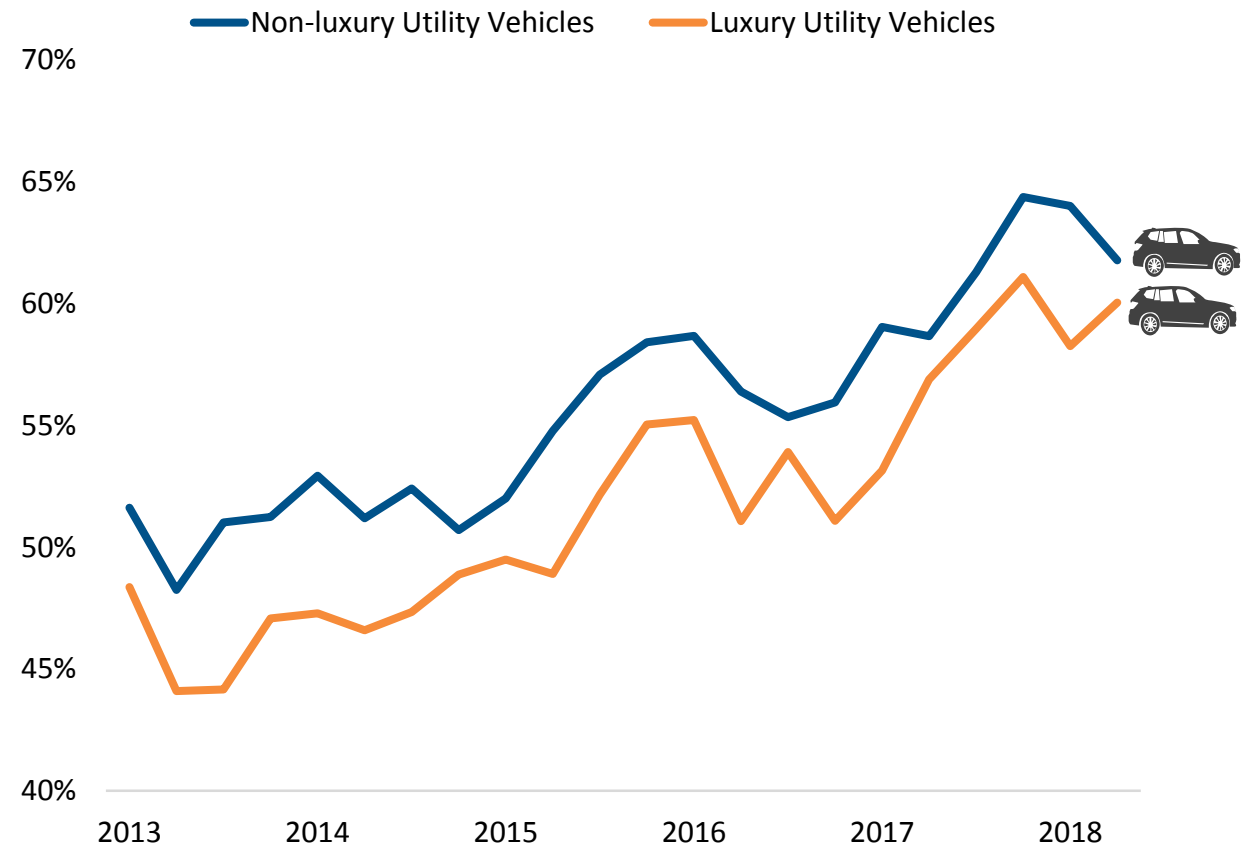
Segment	2015	2025	
COMPACT SUV	20%	29%	↑
MID-SIZE SUV	16%	18%	↑
COMPACT CAR	16%	13%	↓
MID-SIZE CAR	20%	13%	↓
MID-SIZE TRUCK	3%	4%	↑
FULL-SIZE TRUCK	12%	14%	↑

Consideration for SUVs Has Been Trending Upwards

SEGMENT CONSIDERATION










TRENDED SUV CONSIDERATION



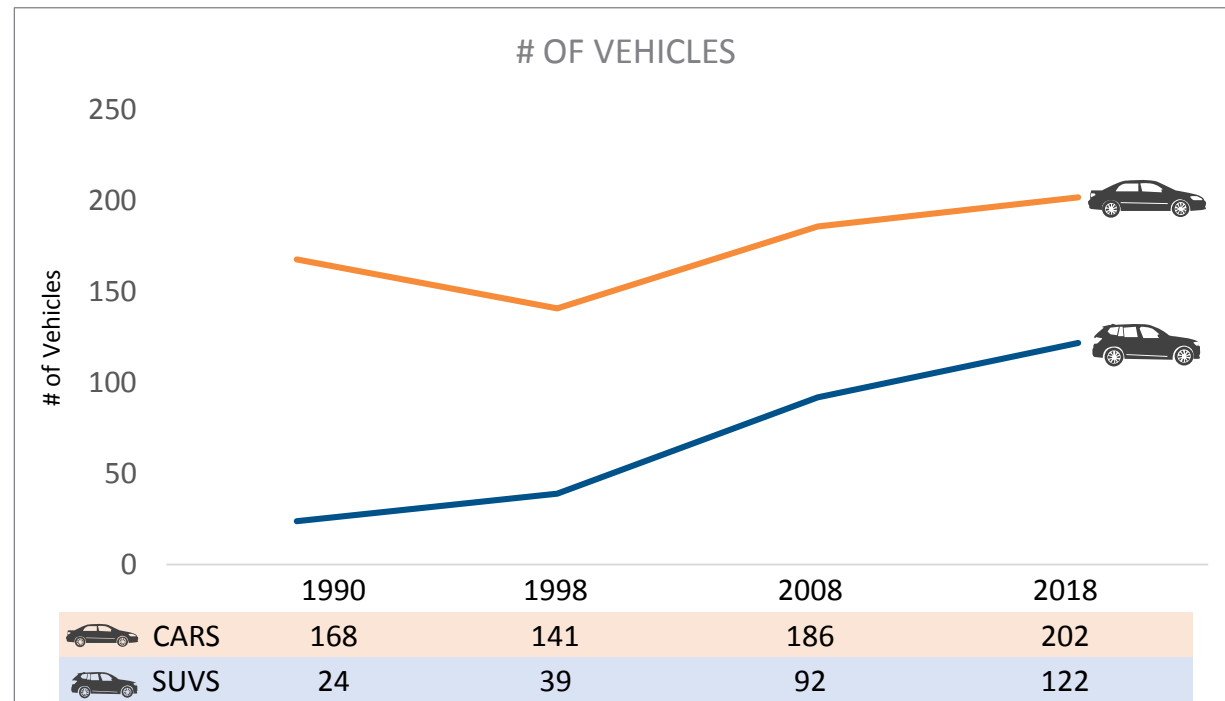
The Number of SUV Offerings Has Dramatically Increased in the Past 30 Years

NEW SUBCOMPACT SUV SEGMENT CREATED

Model Count

SEGMENT	1990	1998	2008	2018
 Subcompact SUV				13
 Compact SUV	10	10	20	18
 Mid-size SUV	5	15	28	23
 Fullsize SUV	7	6	11	8
 Luxury Compact SUV			4	26
 Luxury Mid-size SUV		3	16	23
 Luxury Fullsize SUV	2	5	13	11
Grand Total	24	39	92	122

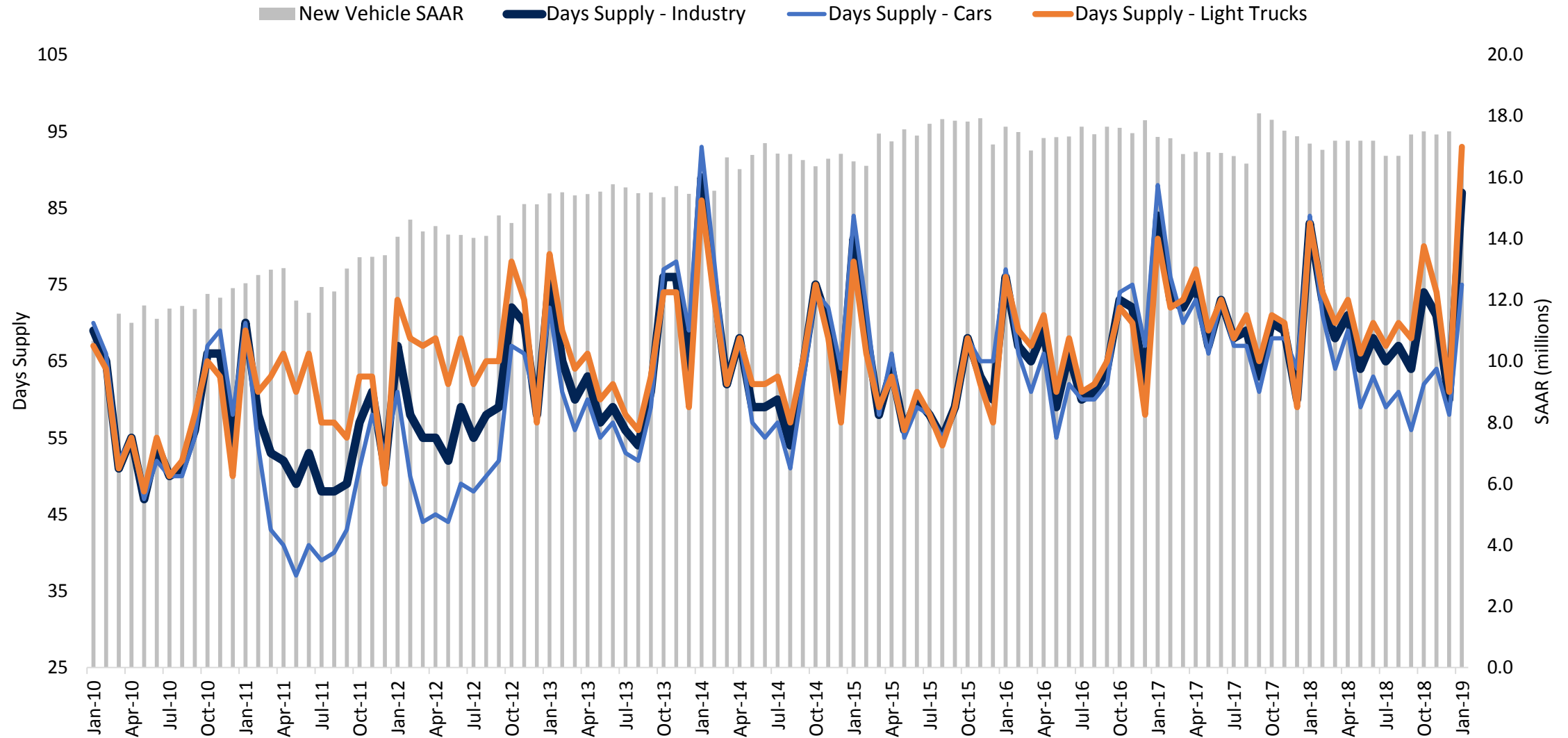
Consumers now have more SUV choices than they ever had before, especially in the smaller sizes that consumer really want.



There are now **4 times** as many SUVs as there were 30 years ago. Even though there are more cars today, the segment has only grown by 20% since 1990.

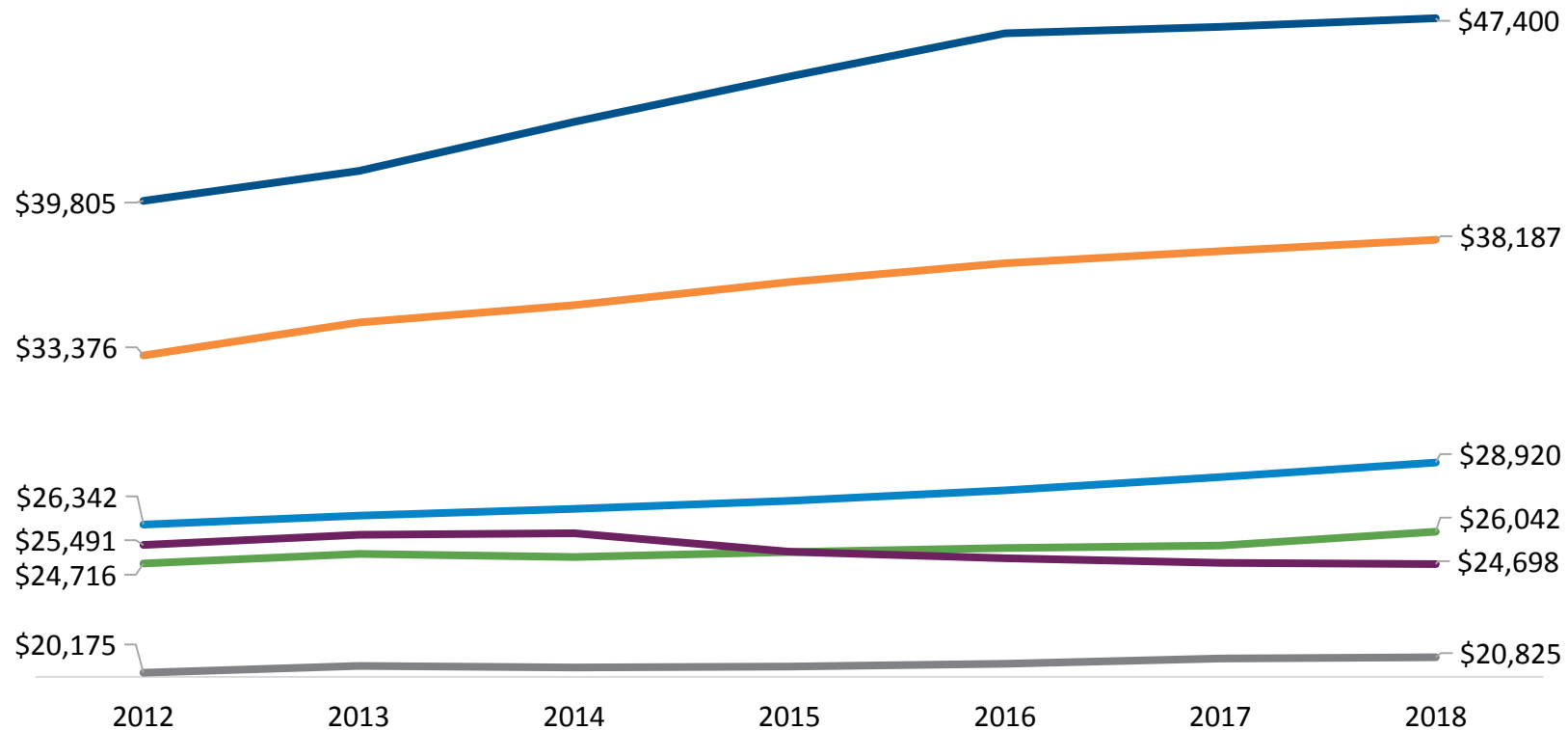
Data includes both luxury and nonluxury vehicles.







Growth May Be at Risk with the Current Days Supply for SUVs...



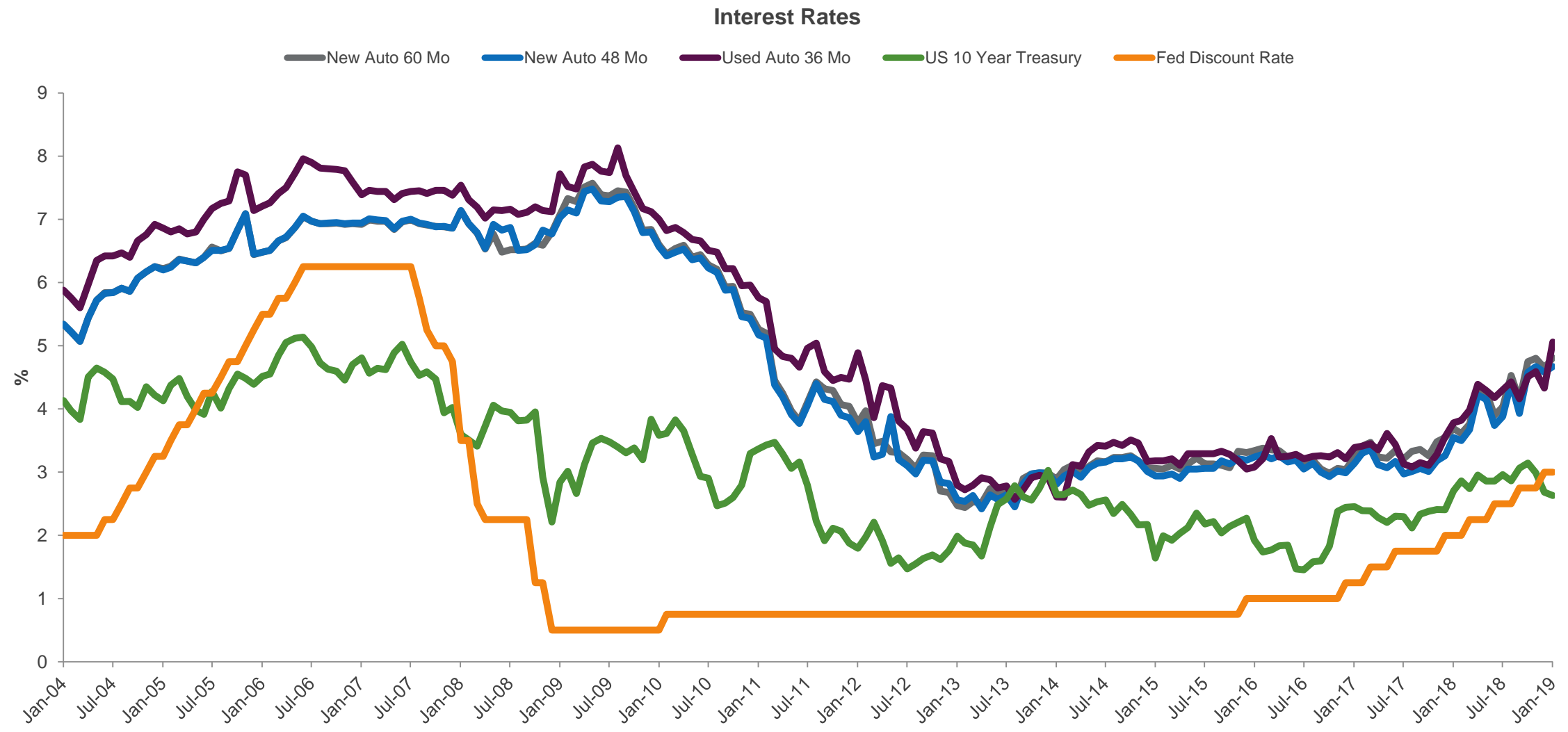
Average Transaction Price Continues To Rise

YoY ATP INCREASE/DECREASE



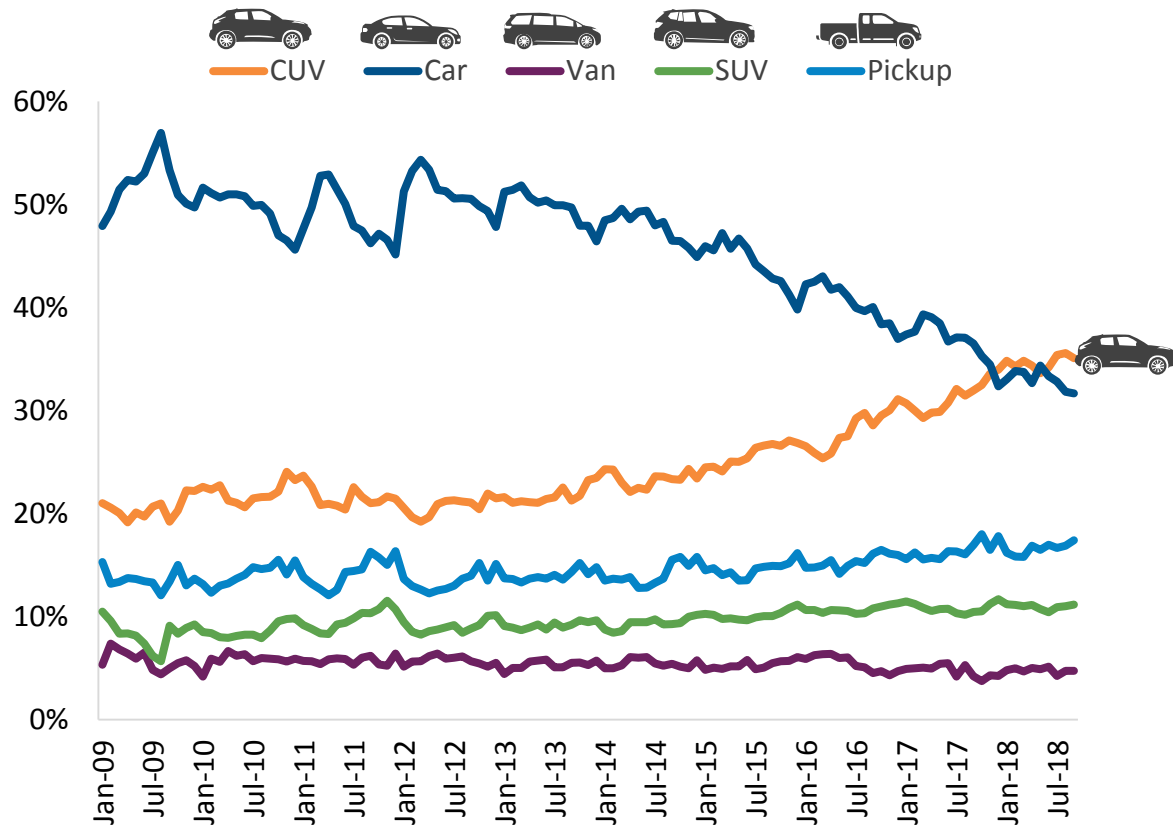
SEGMENT	% CHG
 Full-size Pickup Truck	+19%
 Midsize-SUV/Crossover	+14%
 Compact SUV/Crossover	+10%
 Mid-size Car	+5%
 Subcompact SUV/Crossover	-3%
 Compact Car	+3%

With Increased Days Supply and Rising Interest Rates, Affordability is Affected and May Impact SUV Sales

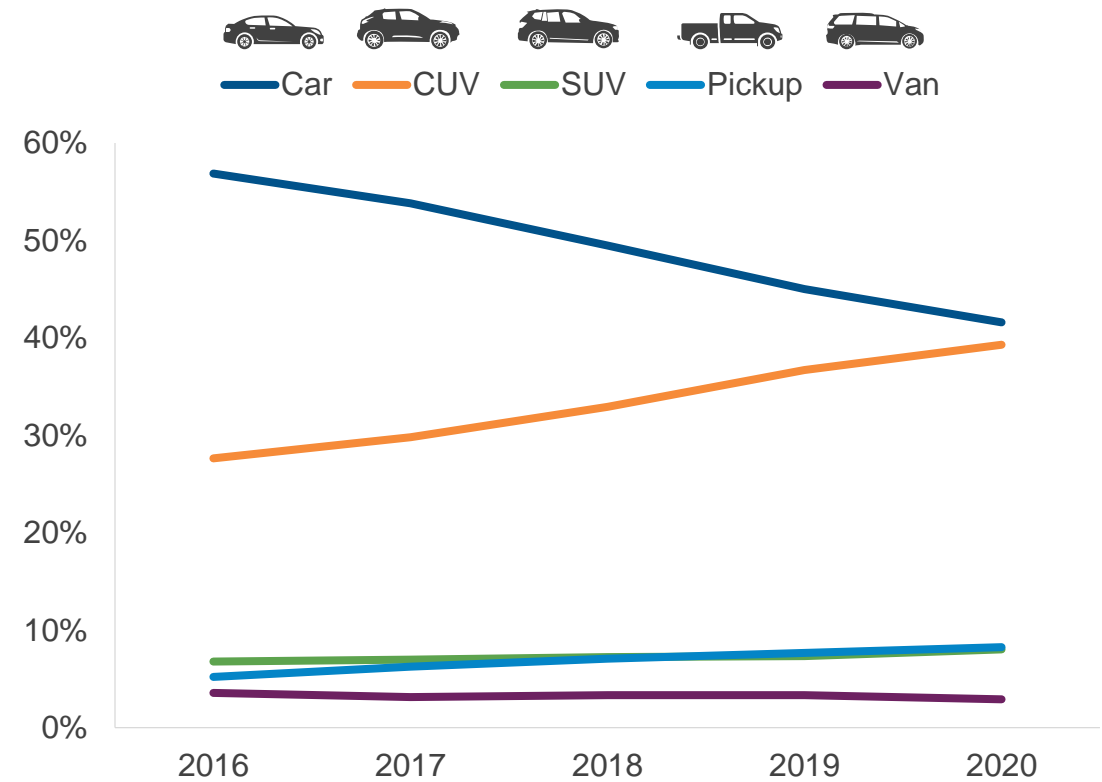


SUVs Continues Its Rise...But Will Face More Nearly-New Competition

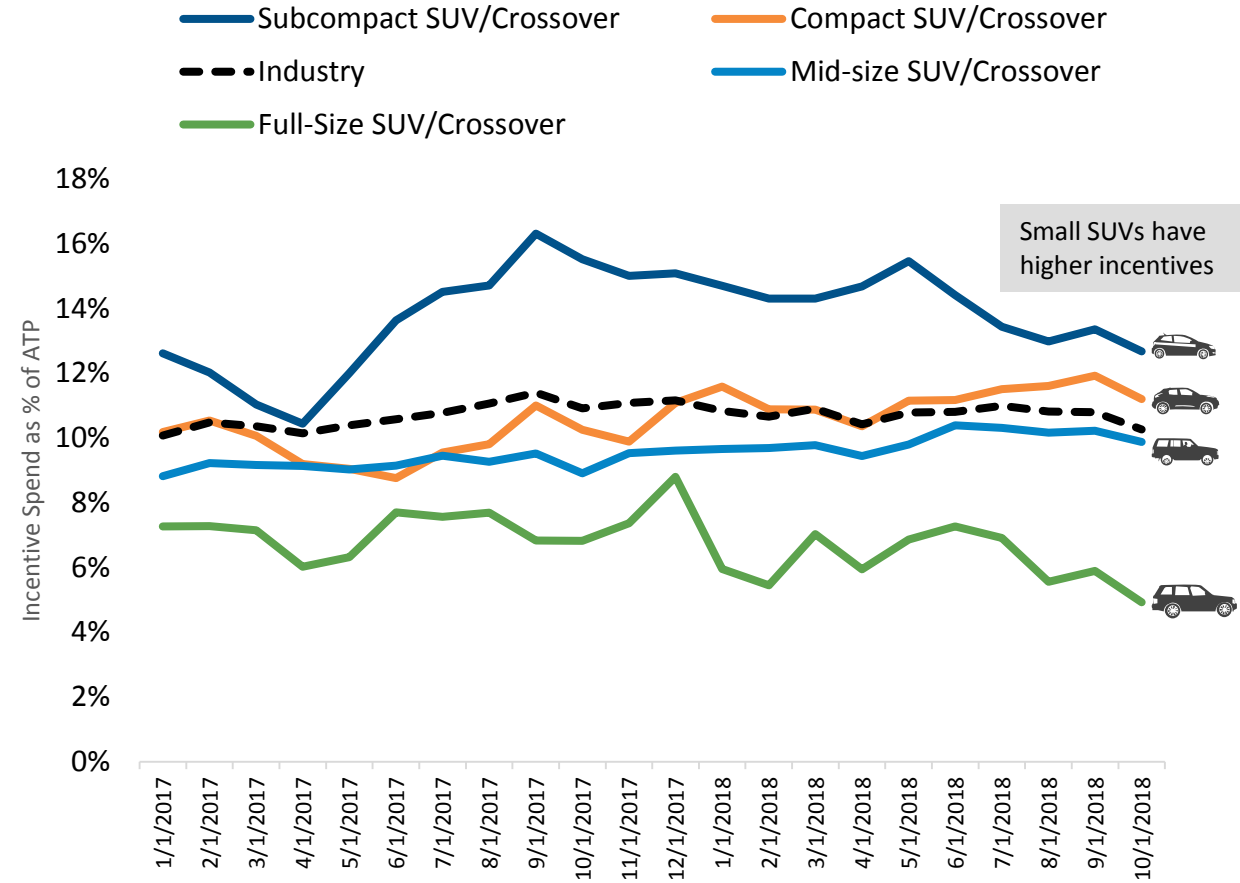
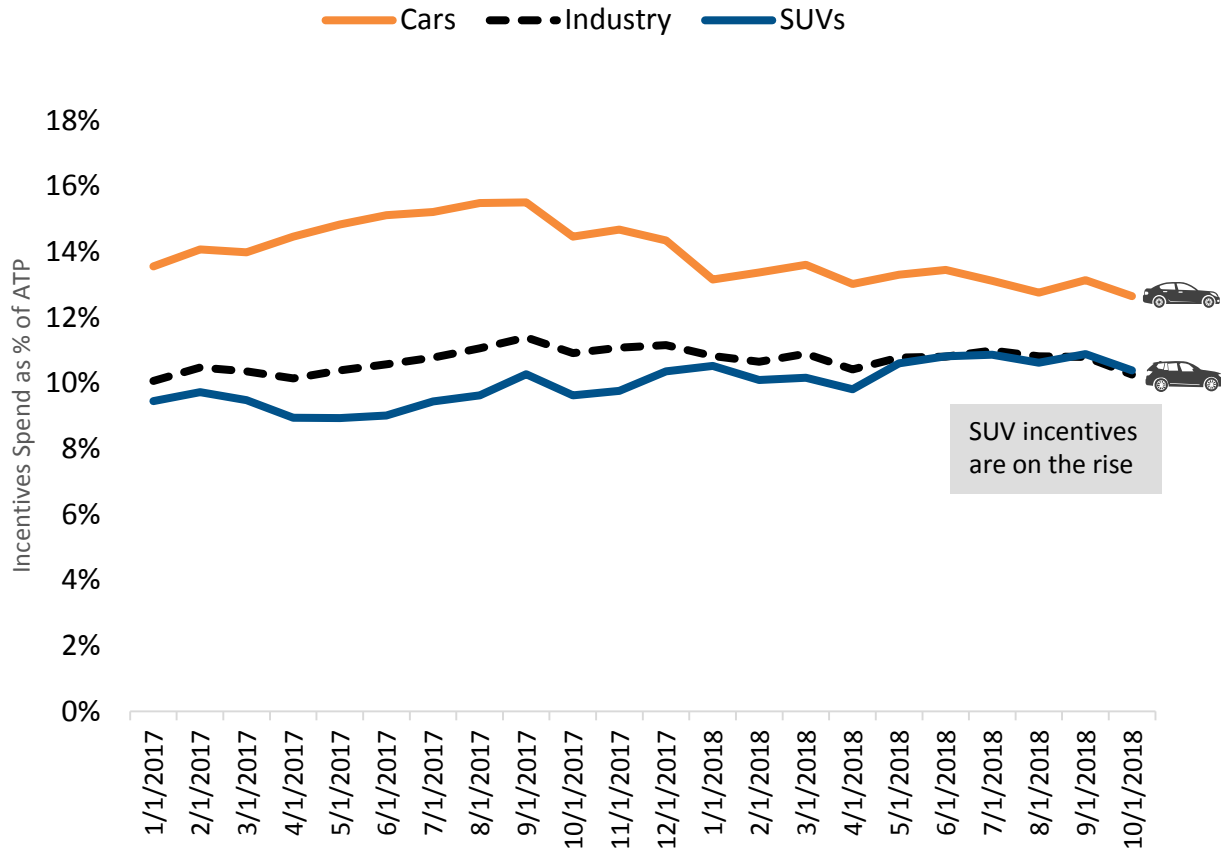
SHARE OF NEW LIGHT VEHICLE SALES



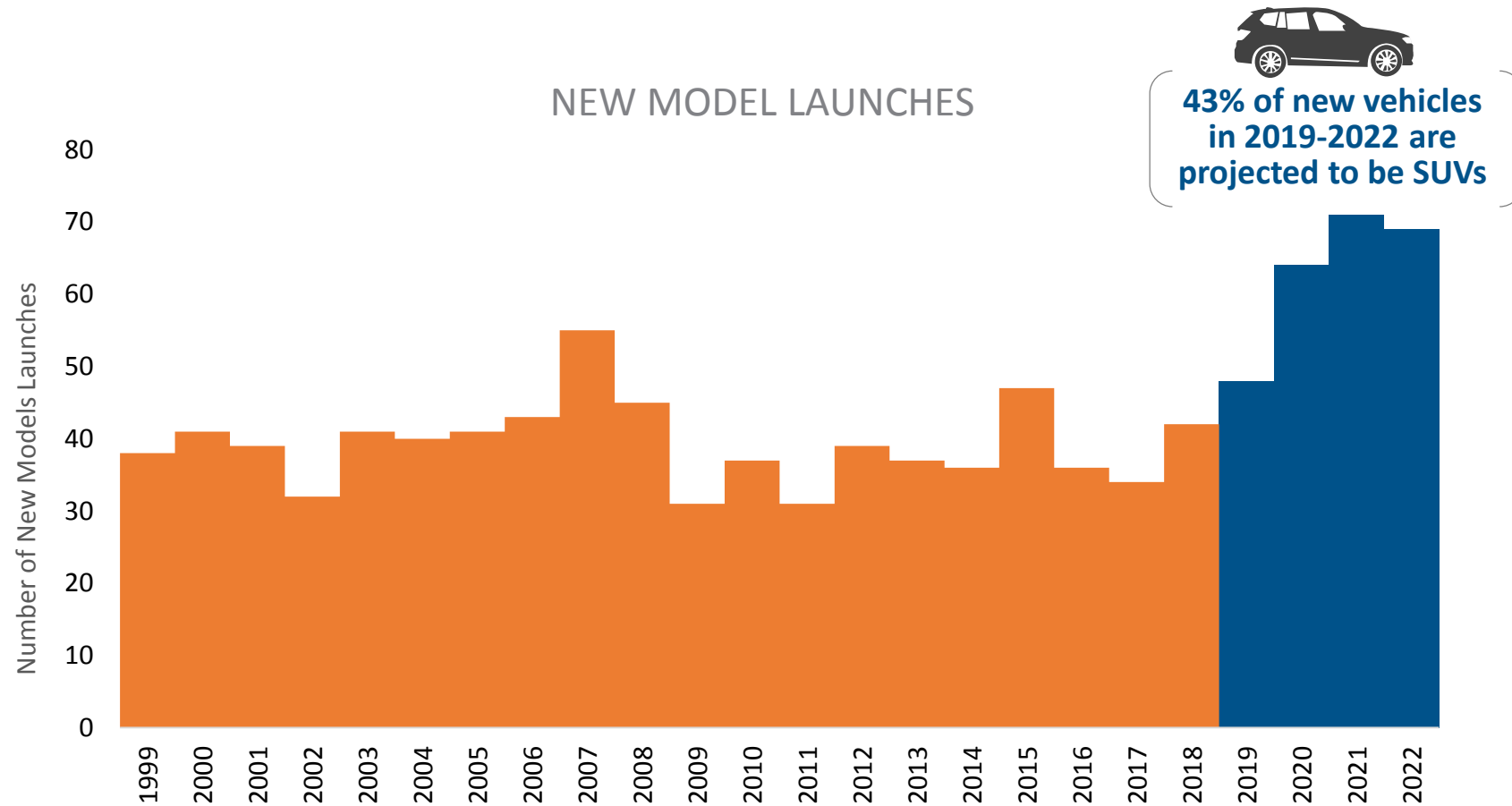
OFF-LEASE MATURITIES SEGMENT SHARE



A Surplus of SUVs May Increase Incentive Spend



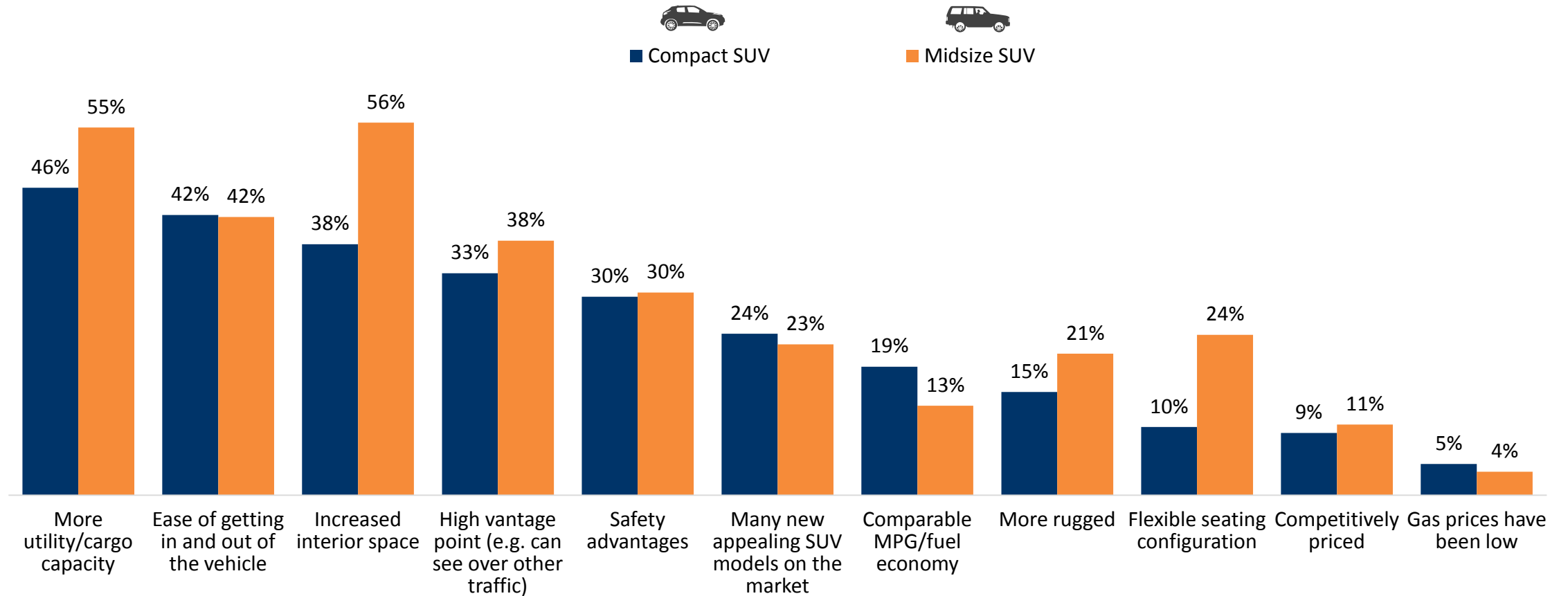
And More are Expected to Hit the Market... Which Can Potentially Saturate the Market



Why Are Shoppers Choosing SUVs?

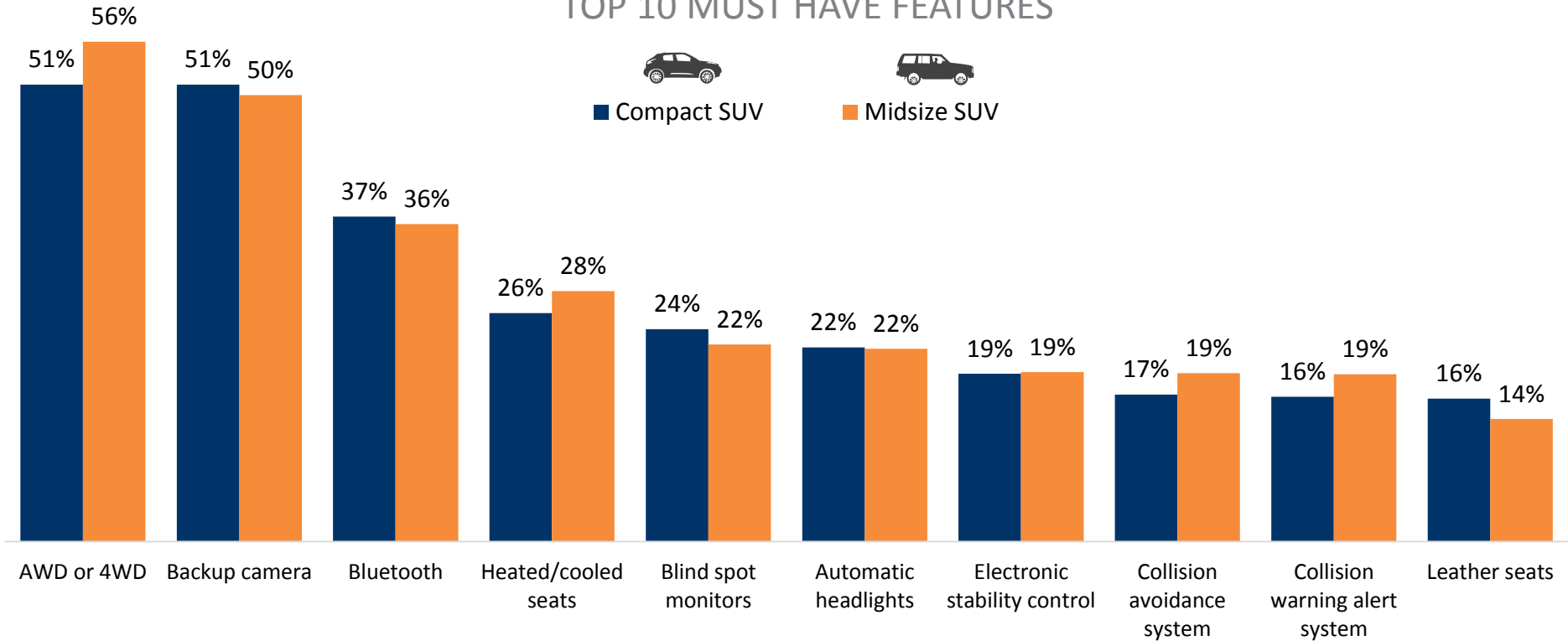
People Are Trading In Their Cars For More Space and Ingress/Egress

WHY ARE YOU TRADING IN YOUR CURRENT VEHICLE FOR AN SUV?

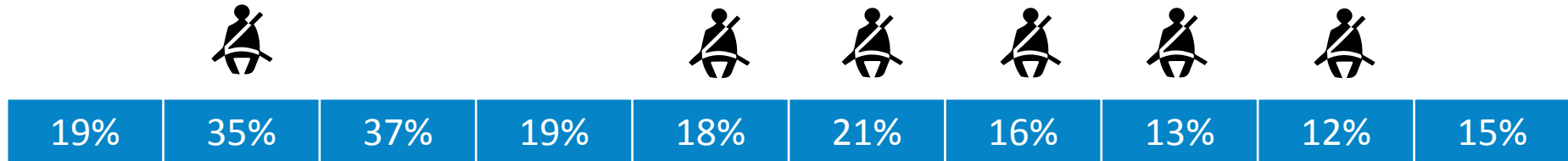


Utility and Safety Features are Important to SUV Shoppers

TOP 10 MUST HAVE FEATURES








Compared to Non-Lux Car Norms



Reliability/Safety, Affordability, and Reputation are Essential to SUV Shoppers

Top 10 Most Important Factors When Considering Compact SUV & Mid Size SUV

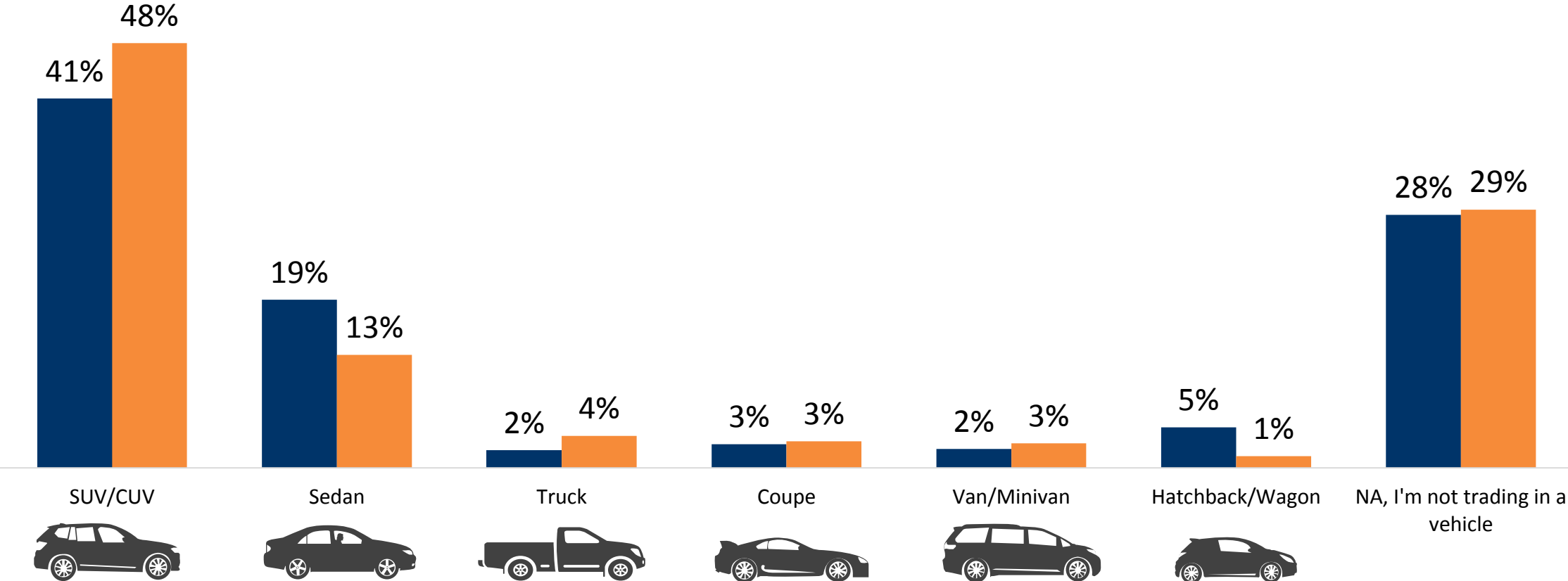
	Reliability
	Best value for my budget
	Safety ratings
	Driving comfort
	Good experience with vehicle's brand

	Fuel Economy
	Driving performance
	Reviews/ratings/awards
	Good experience with past model
	Maintenance costs

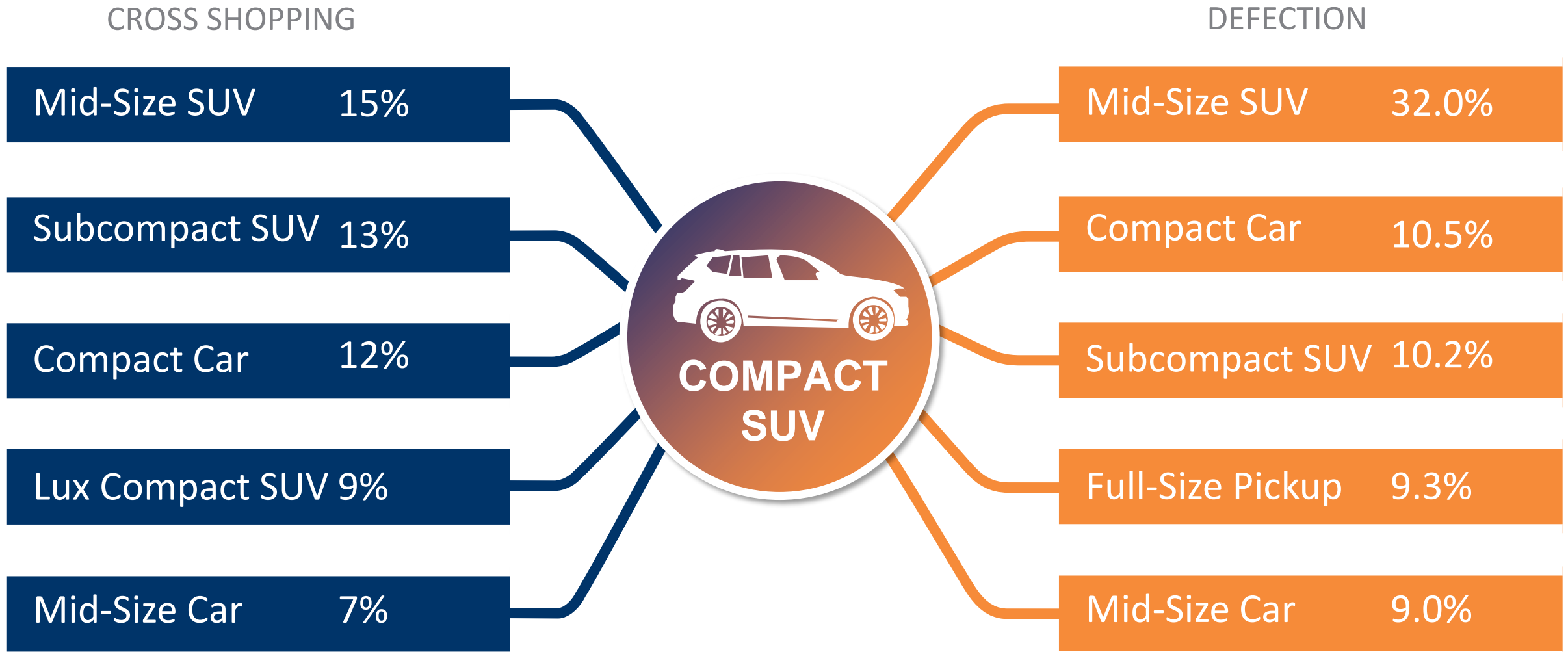
SUV Shoppers Are Replacing an SUV or Adding an SUV to the Household Fleet

TRADE IN VEHICLE FOR THE NEXT SUV PURCHASE

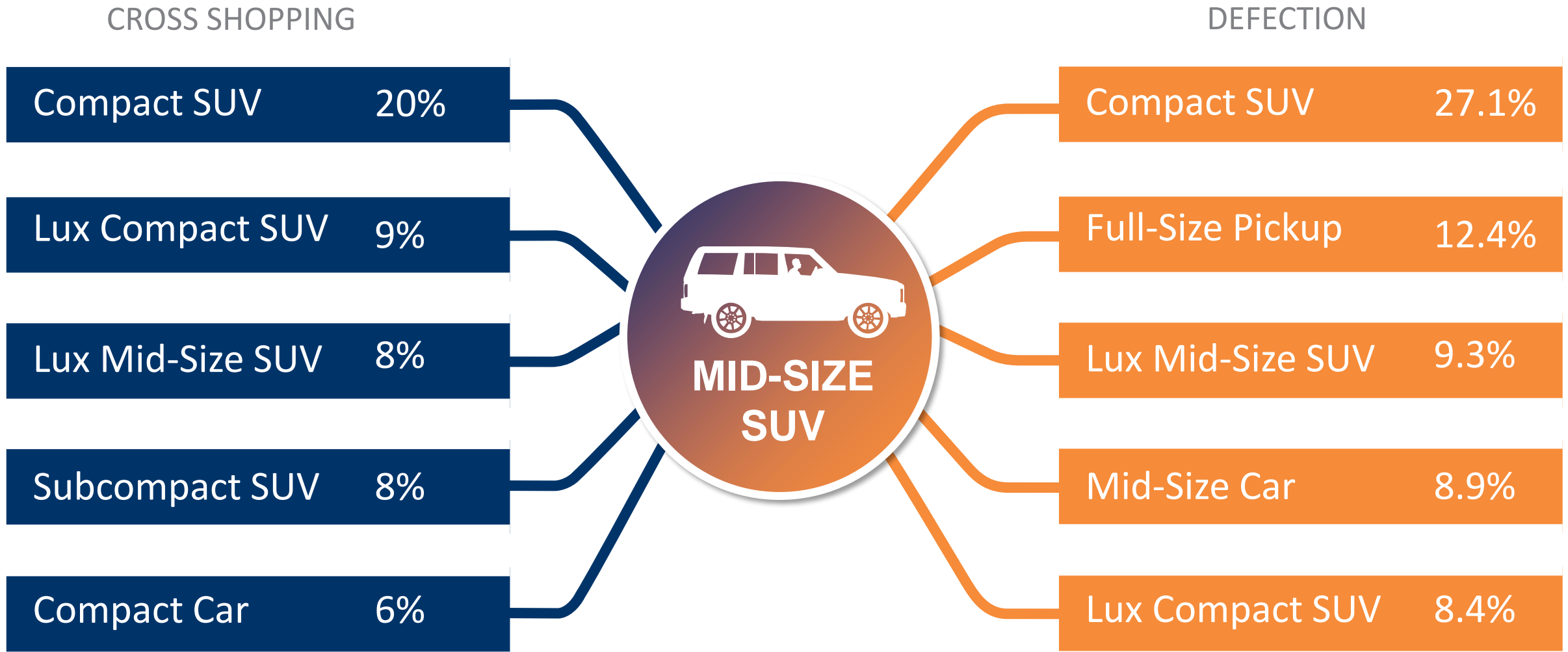
■ Compact SUV ■ Mid-size SUV



Compact SUV Owners are Looking to Upgrade as 32% are Looking to Defect to a Mid-Size SUV Based on KBB.com Traffic

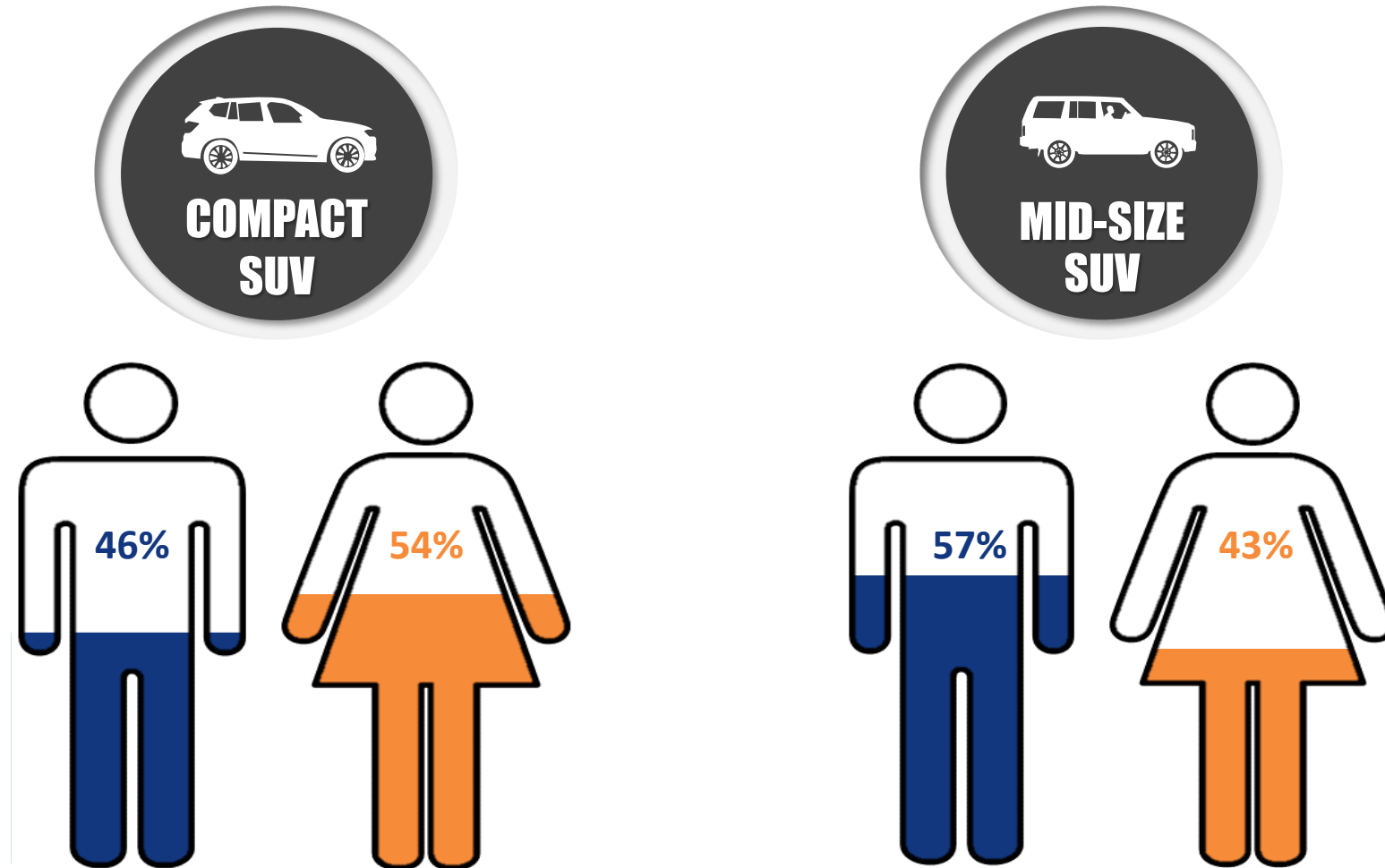


Mid-Size SUV Owners are Defecting to a Smaller SUV or a Full-Size Truck Based on KBB.com Traffic

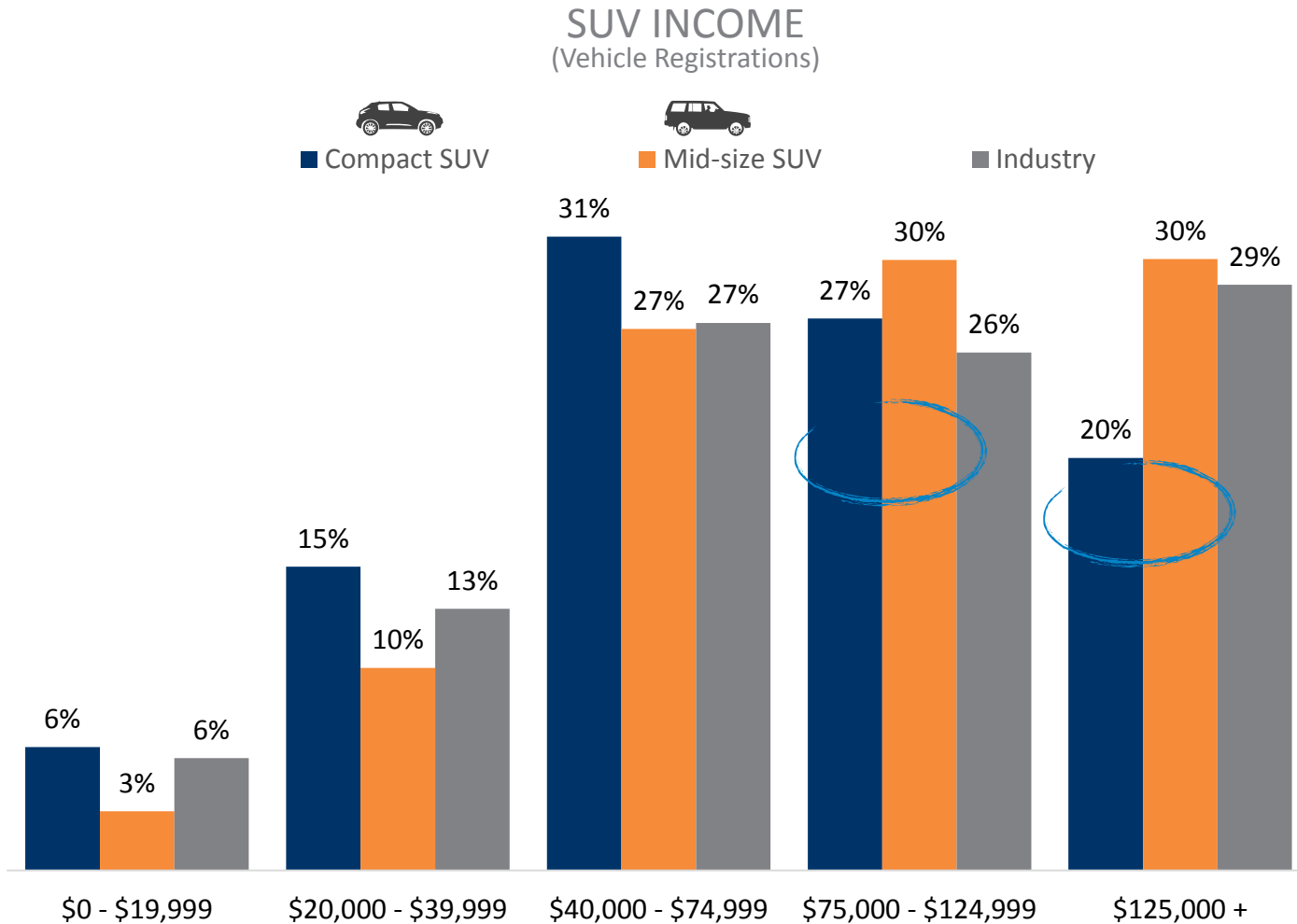


Who's Buying SUVs?

Women Skew More Towards Compact SUV, Whereas Men Are Looking for More Ruggedness and Buying Mid-Size SUVs



SUV Owners – Income

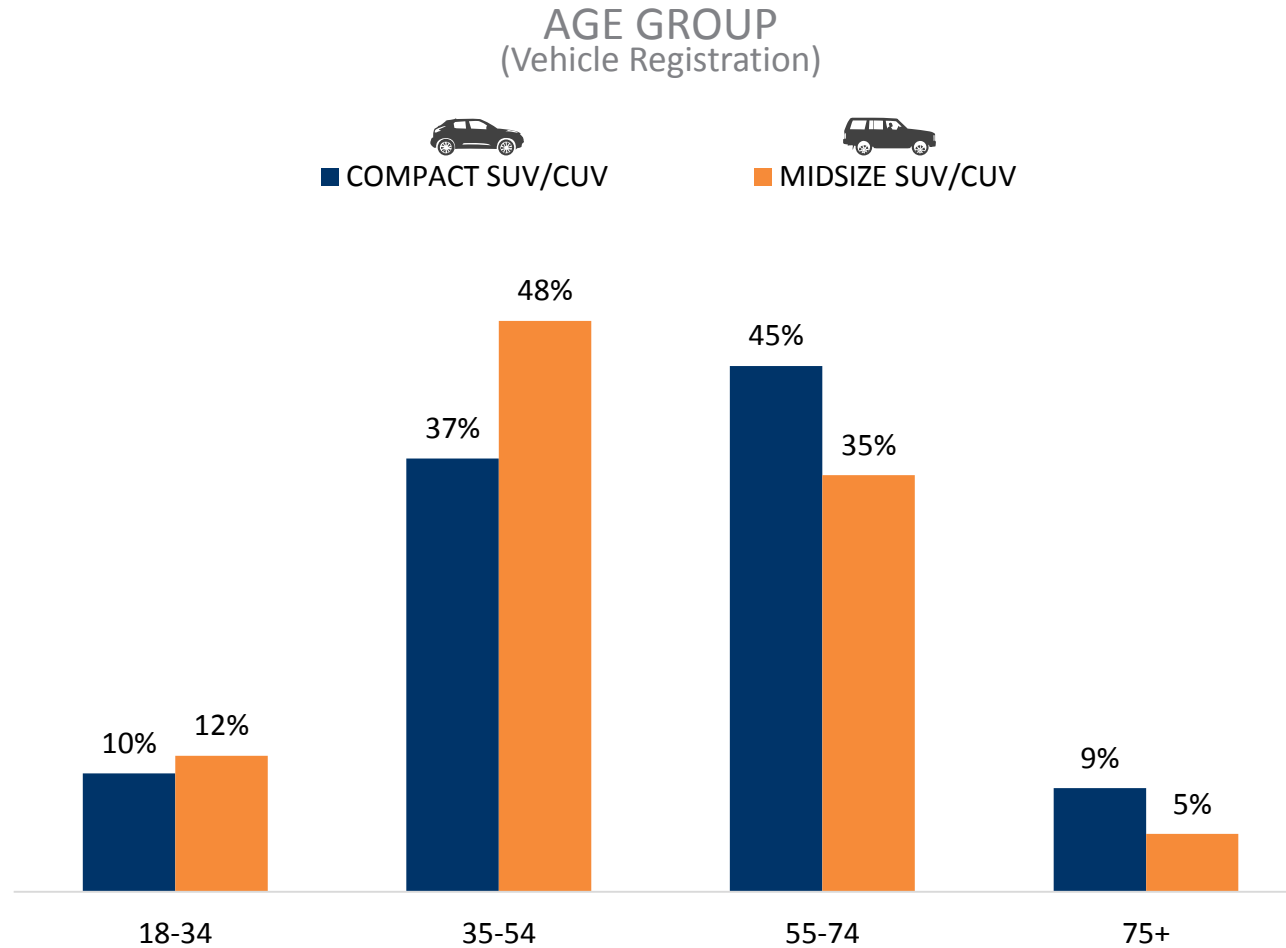


People making less money are drawn to the **more affordable Compact SUV segment**



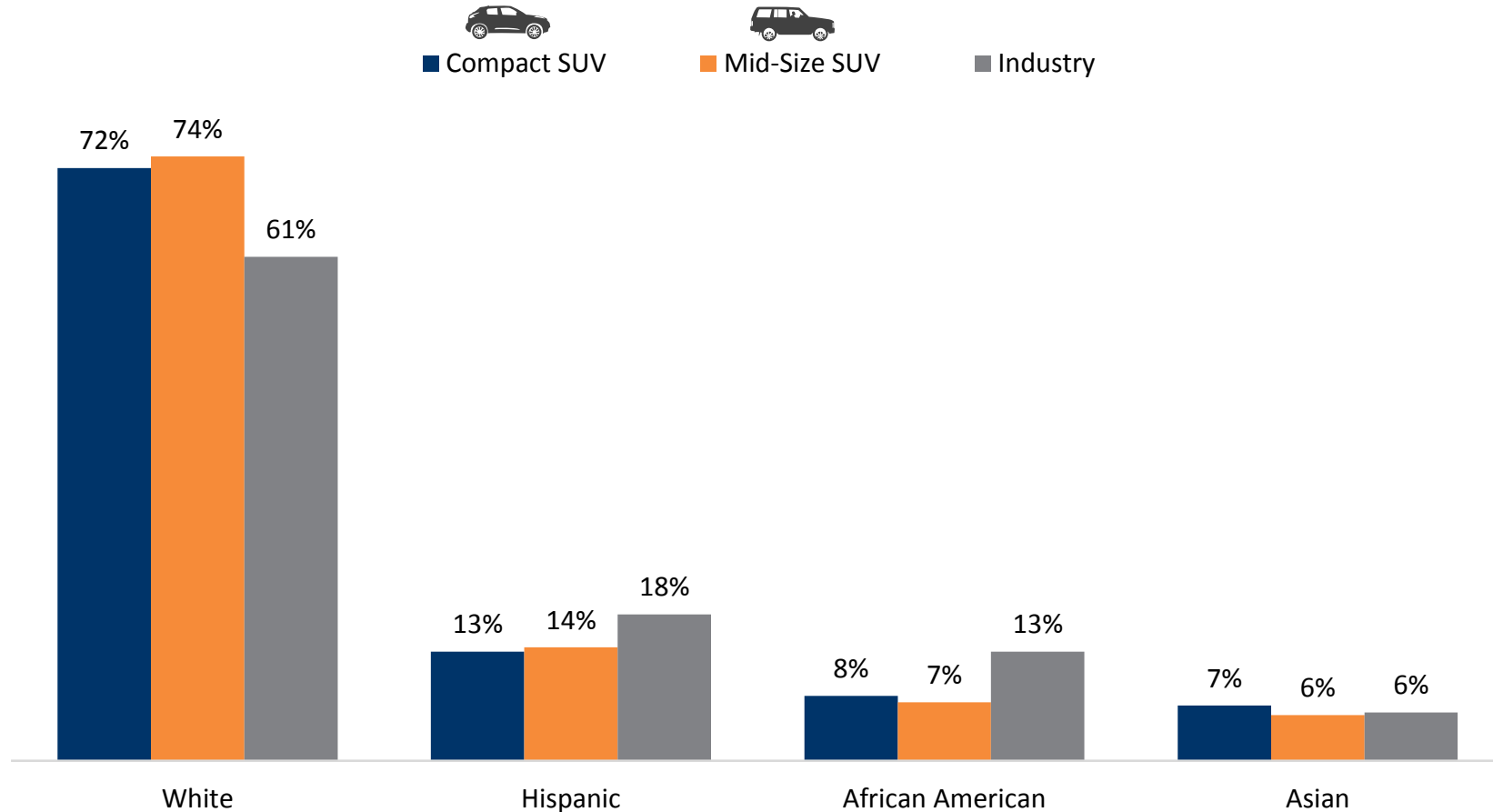
As income increases, **Midsize SUV ownership increases** (higher than industry average)

Majority of Mid-size SUV Buyers are Gen X; Compact SUV are Baby Boomers















Whites are Over-Indexing in SUV Ownership

ETHNICITY BREAKOUT AND PURCHASE PERCENT



Psychographics – Fence Sitters are More Similar to Car Considerers









More likely to be ABOVE Average

	 Domestic Partisan	 Eco-Conscious	 Family Oriented	 Financially Responsible	 Image Conscious	 Outdoorsy	 Self-Confident	 Techie	 Thrill Seeker
CONSIDERERS  Cars Only		+10%			+15%			+11%	+14%
 Fence Sitter		+10%			+9%				
 SUVs Only			+22%			+14%			

**Which OEMs Are
Succeeding or Are
Challenged in Leveraging the
Shift to SUVs in the
Marketplace?**

SUVs Have Disproportionally Helped Grow These Successful Brands










SALES % CHANGE
(2008 vs 2018)

	 Overall Sales Change	 Car Change	 SUV Change
	+262%	+29%	+640%
	+132%	+109%	+196%
	+70%	+24%	+203%
	+62%	-7%	+968%
	+59%	+9%	+173%

Explosive SUV growth contributed to the overall brand sales

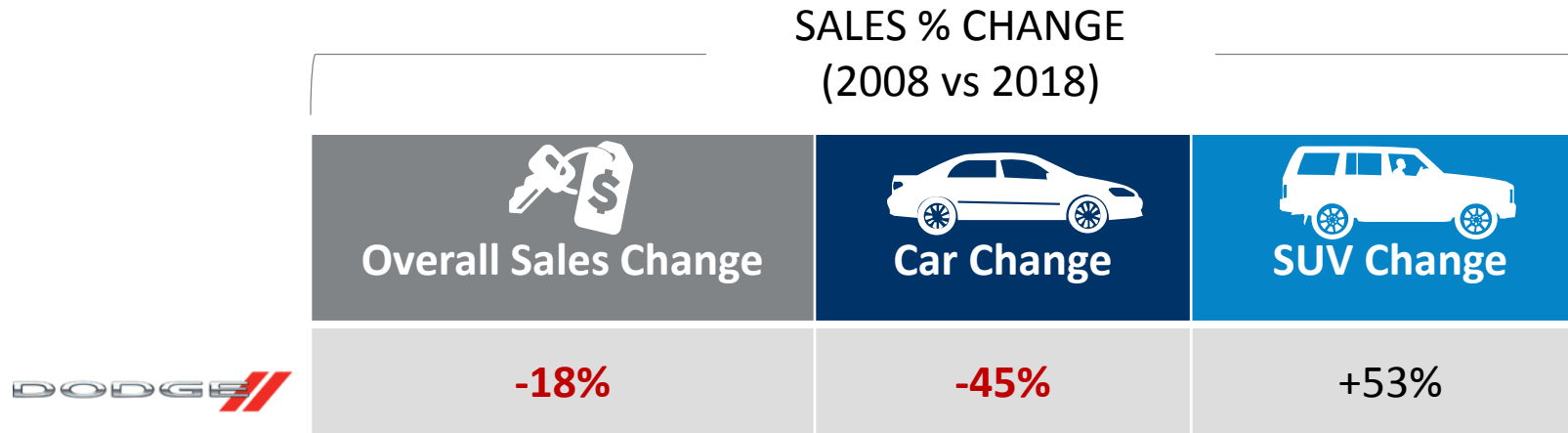
Despite SUV Growth, Cars Have Diminished Impact in Overall Brand Success

SALES % CHANGE
(2008 vs 2018)

	 Overall Sales Change	 Car Change	 SUV Change
	+27%	-15%	+77%
	+25%	-63%	+366%
	+25%	-41%	+207%
	+17%	-13%	+92%
	+17%	-27%	+158%
	+11%	-39%	+147%

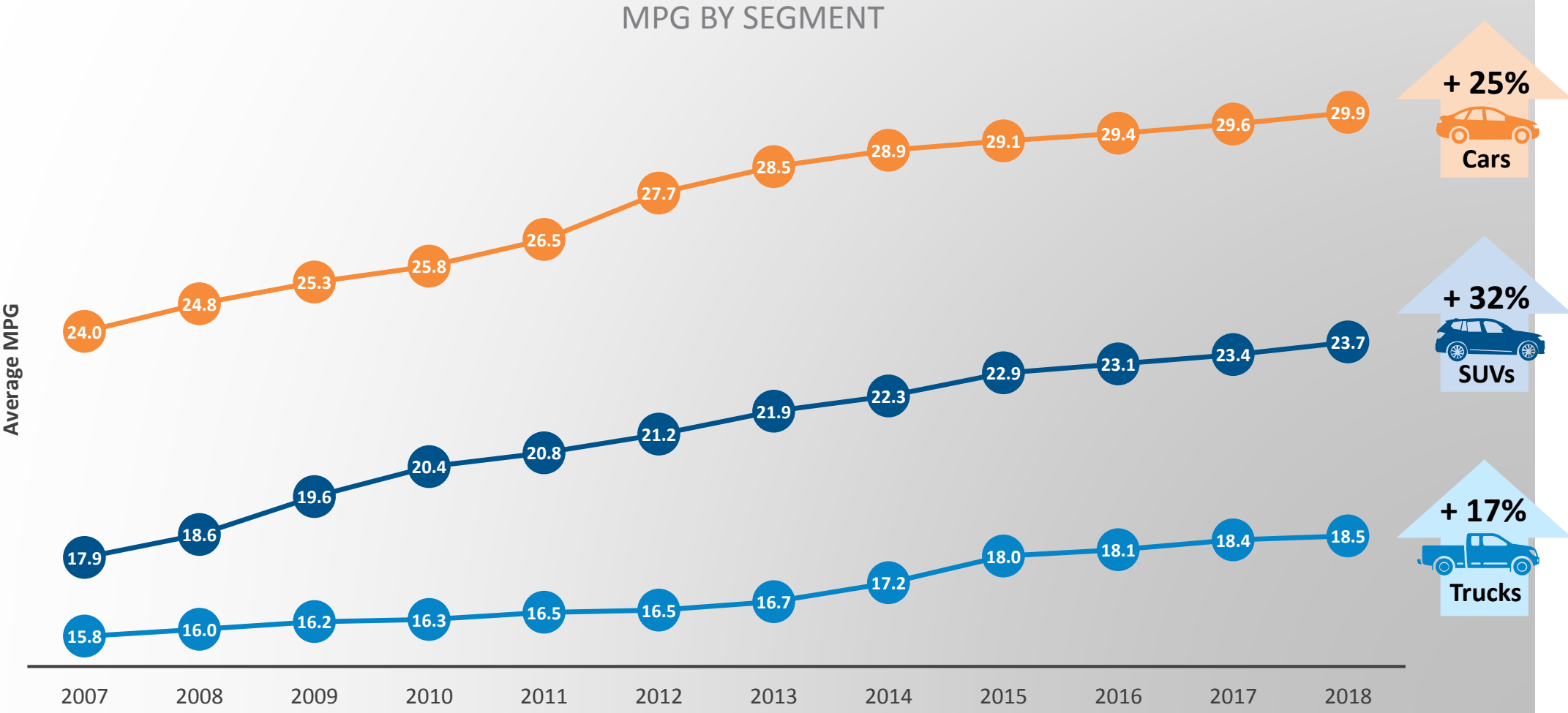
Despite growth in SUVs, decline in car sales hindered overall brand growth

Negative Growth in Car Sales and Modest SUV Gains



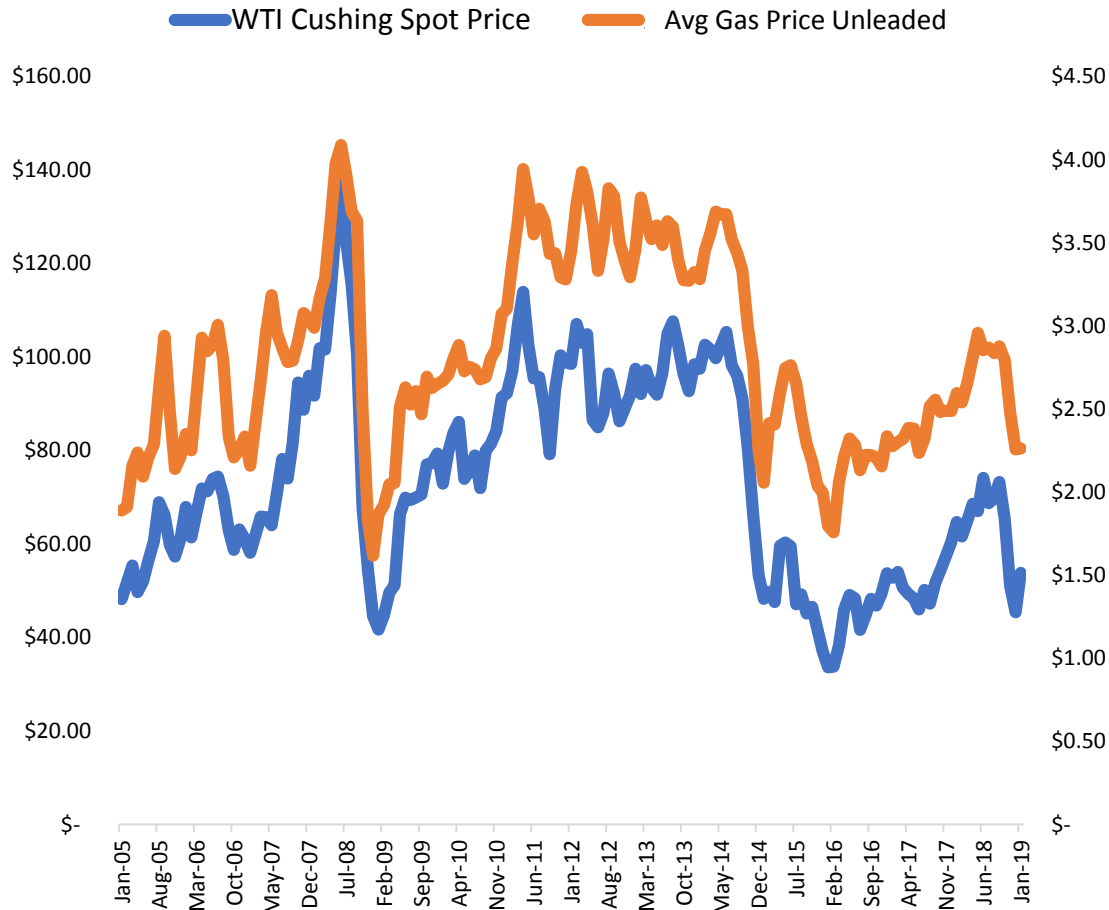
What Are OEMs Doing to Offset Spikes in Gas Prices?

Fuel Economy Has Vastly Improved Among All Segments; SUV Made the Biggest MPG Change Over The Past 11 Years

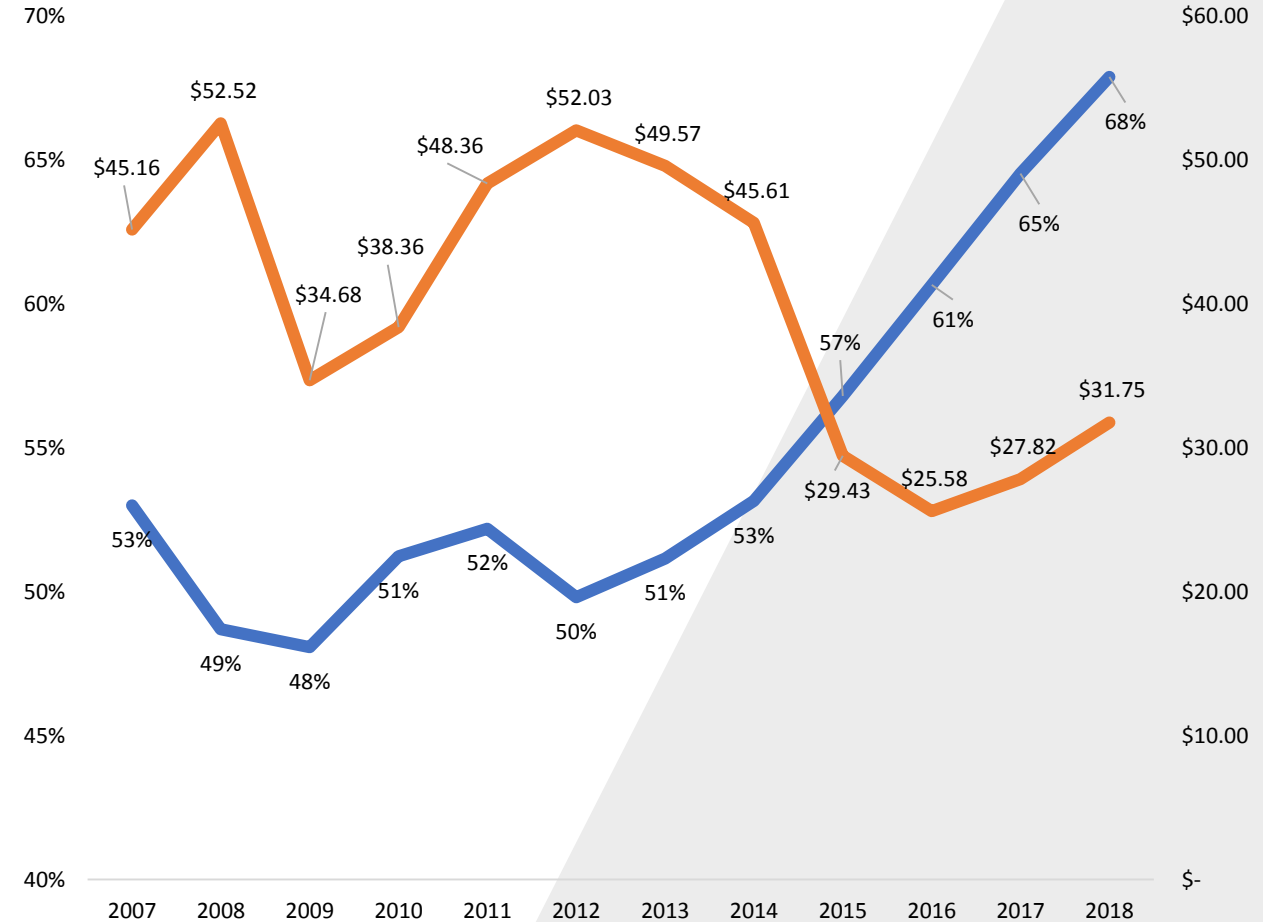


As MPG Improves for SUVs, There is Less Volatility in Light Truck Sales When Gas Prices Spike

Oil and Unleaded Gas Prices

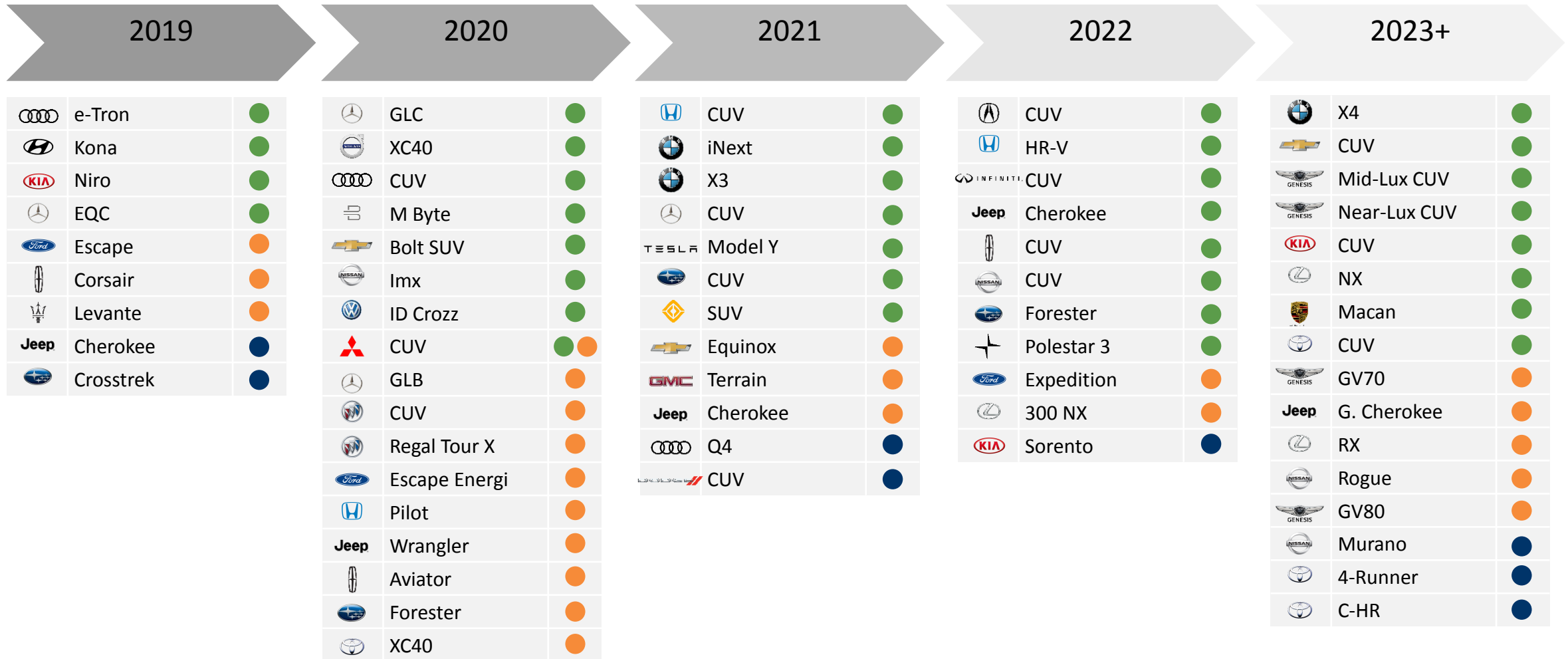


Truck Share and Monthly Fuel Premium on New Models



In Continuing to Improve MPG in SUVs, OEMs are Launching Alternative Fuel SUVs in the Coming Years in Addition to New Brands Entering the Market

● Electric Vehicle
 ● Plug-in Hybrid
 ● Fuel Cell



Key Takeaways

- The market shift from cars to SUVs continues, as 2018 was a stellar year for new SUV sales, closing out at 6.5+ million units. However, there are signs of SUV saturation with days supply and average ATP climbing up and more new product launches. Dealers and OEMs have the challenging task of balancing inventory and incentives to sustain sales.
- To effectively message to SUV shoppers, highlight must-have features that appeal most to them: AWD or 4WD, Backup Camera, Bluetooth, and Heated/Cooled Seats. Also, showcase aspects that capture their attention such as Spaciousness, Ingress/Egress, Higher Vantage Point, and Safety Advantages.
- Car and SUV Considerers significantly differ in their psychographic mindset. Fence sitters (those considering both Cars and SUVs) share similar values as Car Considerers. In order to persuade Fence sitters toward SUVs, the products should be environmentally friendly and have striking styling among other factors.
- With ongoing gas price fluctuations and the prediction of \$3 per gallon, OEMs have been significantly improving fuel efficiency on SUVs in the last 10+ years. In continuing the trend of more fuel efficiency and meeting CAFÉ standards, OEMs are planning to launch a slew of alternative fuel SUVs.

APPENDIX

SUV Shopper Profile



Median Income



Gender (Male)



Median Age

COMPACT



65K

50%

58

MID-SIZE



70K

63%

54

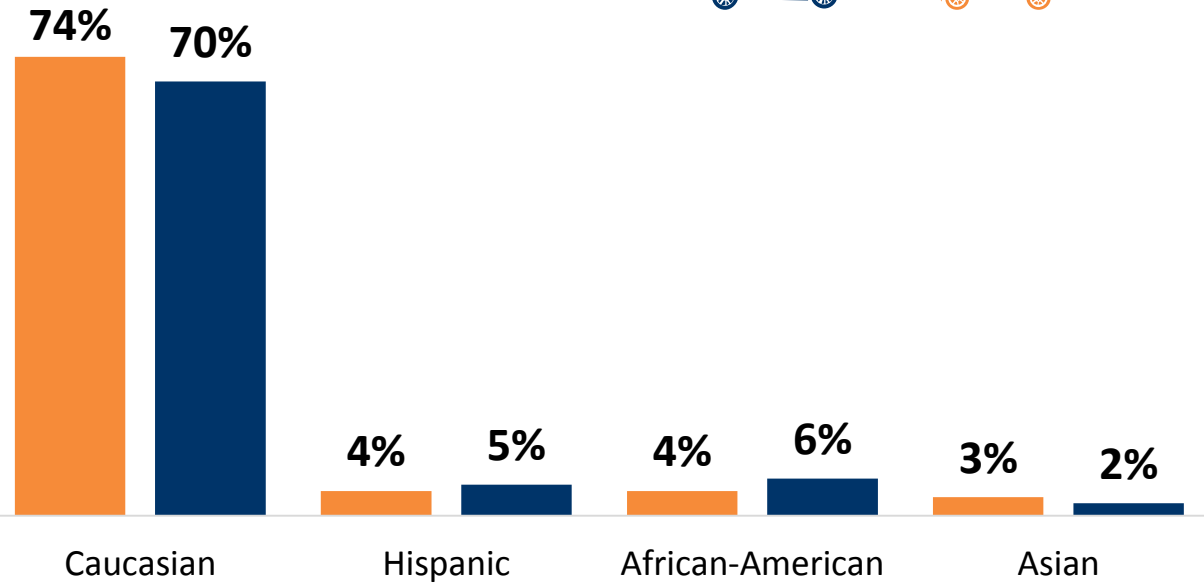


Ethnicity

COMPACT

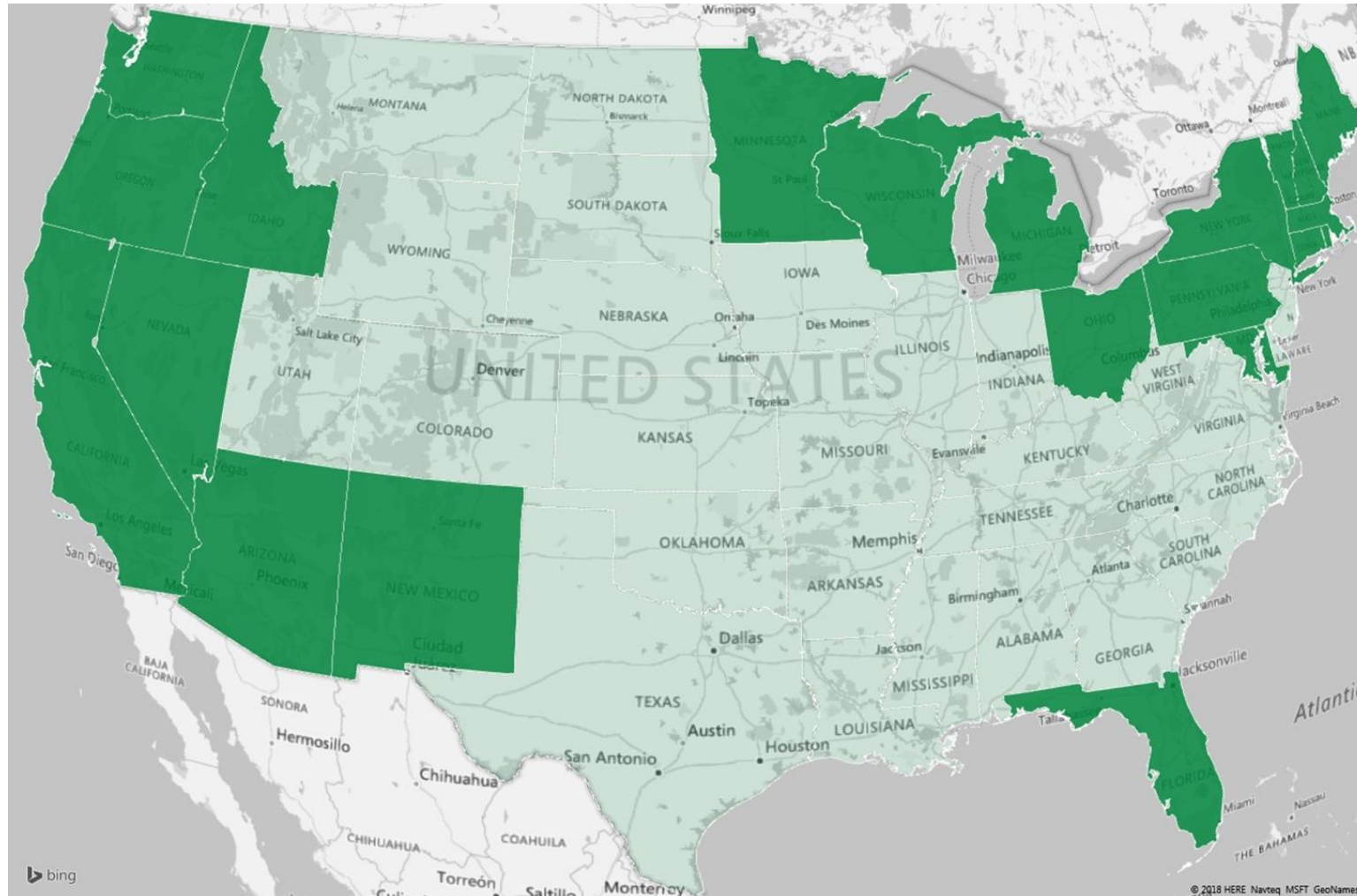






MID-SIZE



Compact SUV Dominates the Coasts and New England States, While Midsize SUV Has A Strong Presence in the Central and Southern States

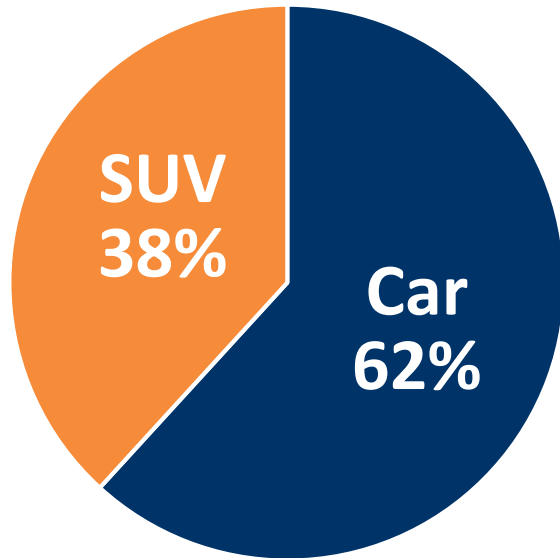
MID-SIZE & COMPACT SUV REGISTRATION SHARE



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Compact SUV Registration
-  
Midsize SUV Registration

Top Selling Models By Brand: Subaru

2008 SUBARU SALES



32%
Forester

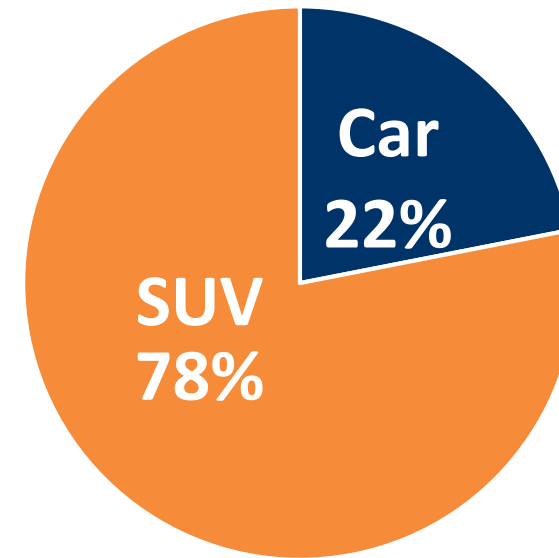
6%
Tribeca



36%
Legacy

20%
Impreza

2018 SUBARU SALES



26%
Outback



25%
Forester



21%
Crosstrek



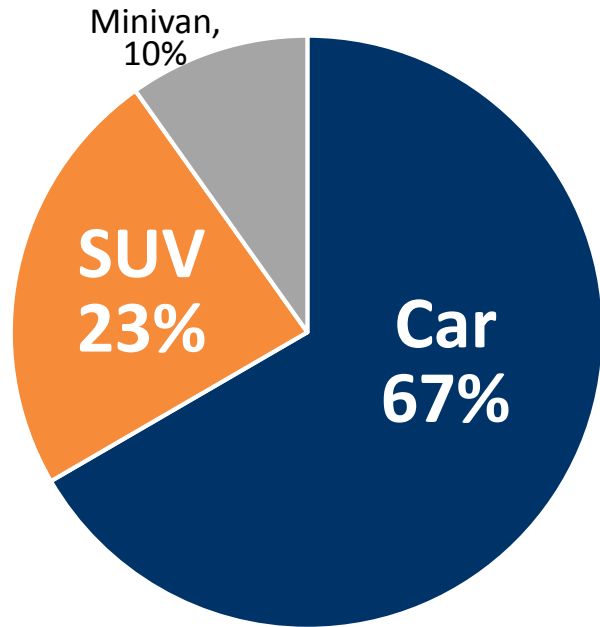
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Legacy



11%
Impreza

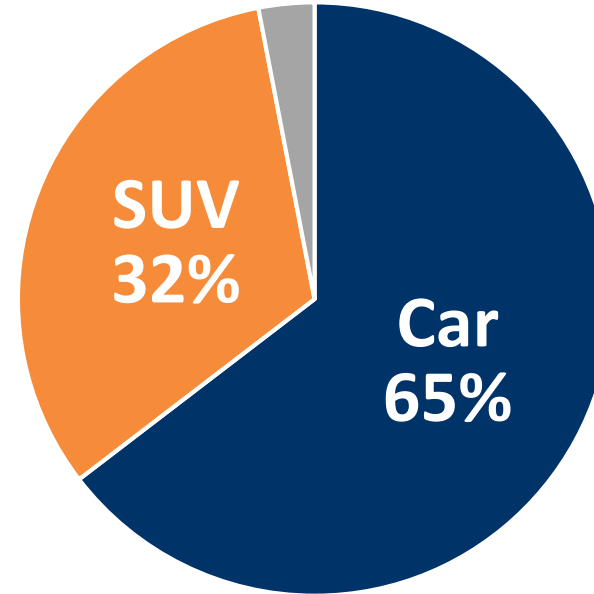
Top Selling Models By Brand: Kia

2008 KIA SALES



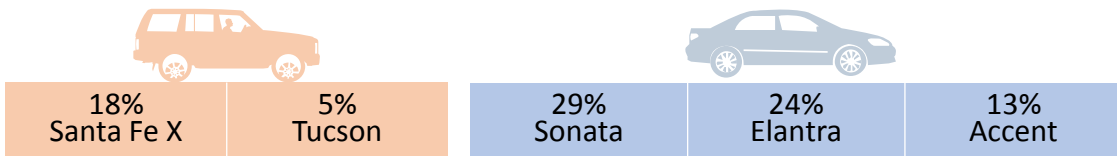
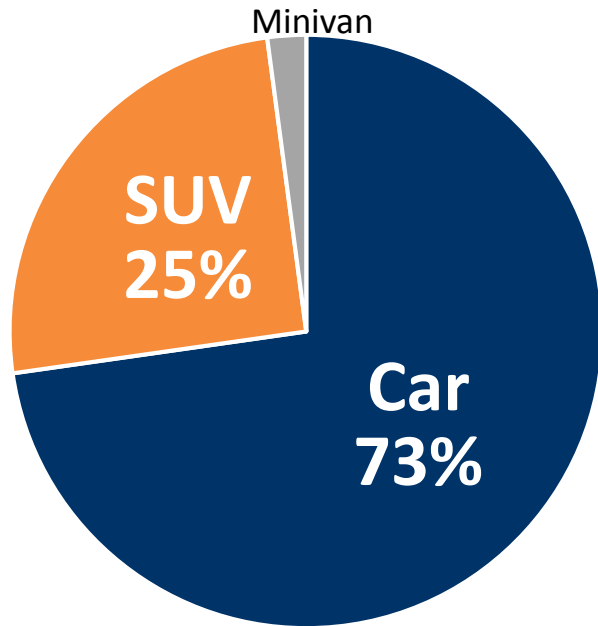
2018 KIA SALES

Minivan, 3%

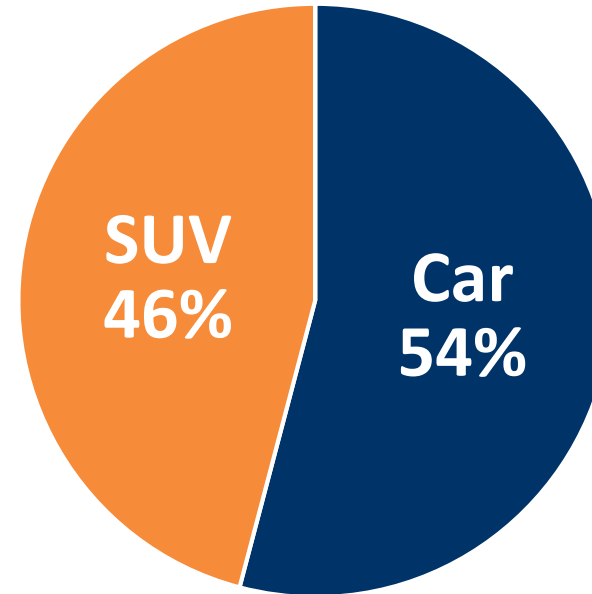


Top Selling Models By Brand: Hyundai

2008 HYUNDAI SALES

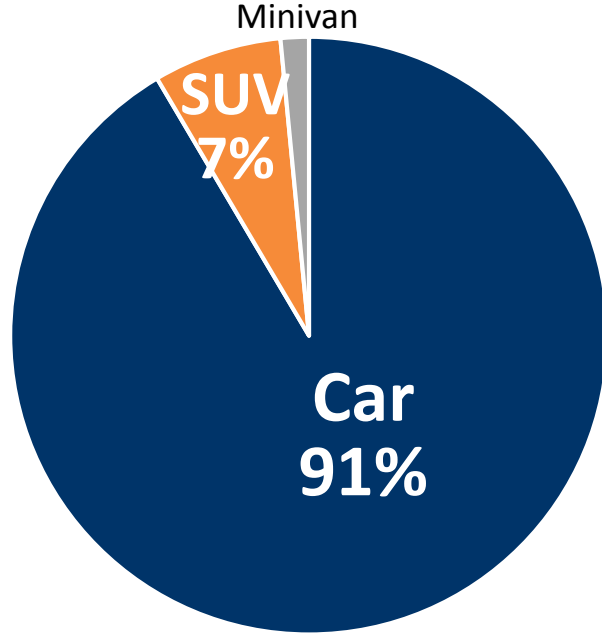


2018 HYUNDAI SALES

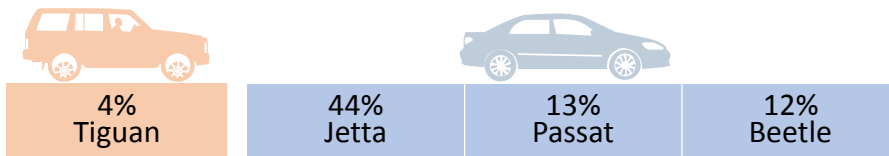
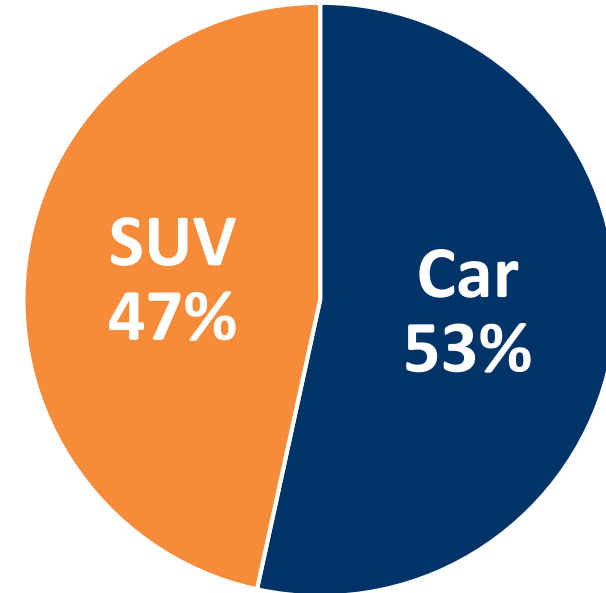


Top Selling Models By Brand: Volkswagen

2008 VOLKSWAGEN SALES

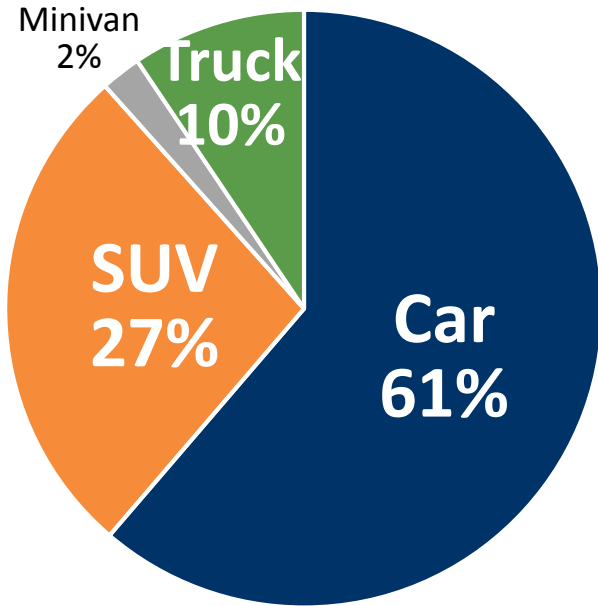


2018 VOLKSWAGEN SALES

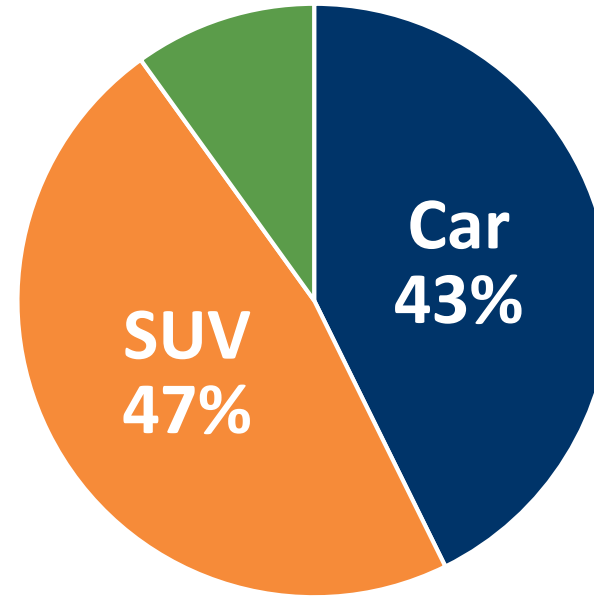


Top Selling Models By Brand: Nissan

2008 NISSAN SALES

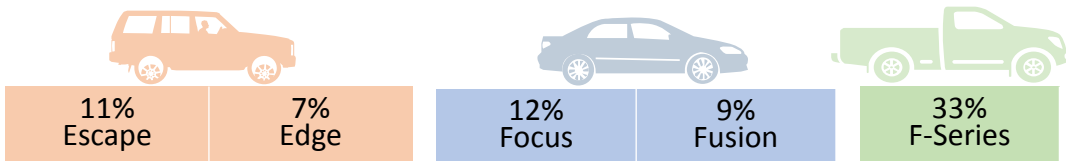
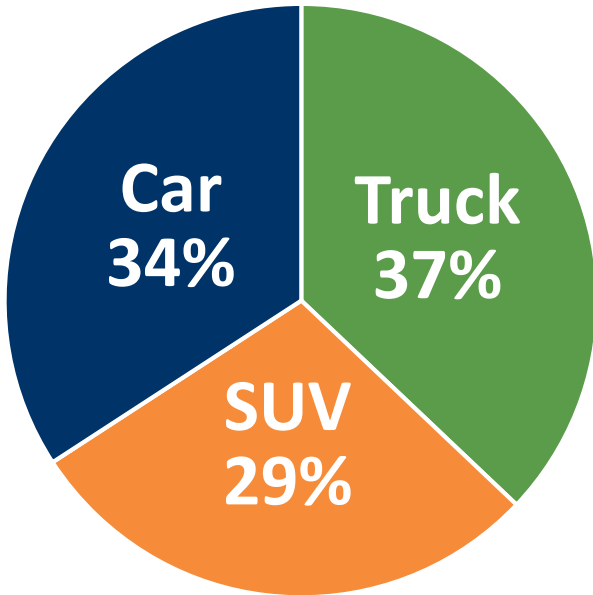


2018 NISSAN SALES

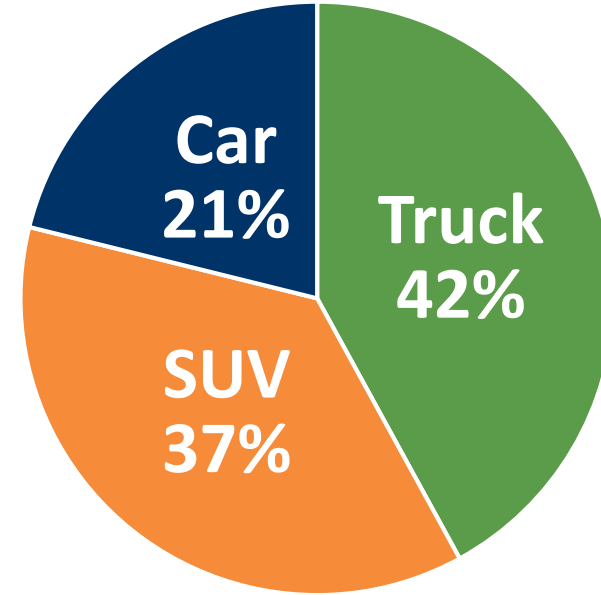


Top Selling Models By Brand: Ford

2008 FORD SALES

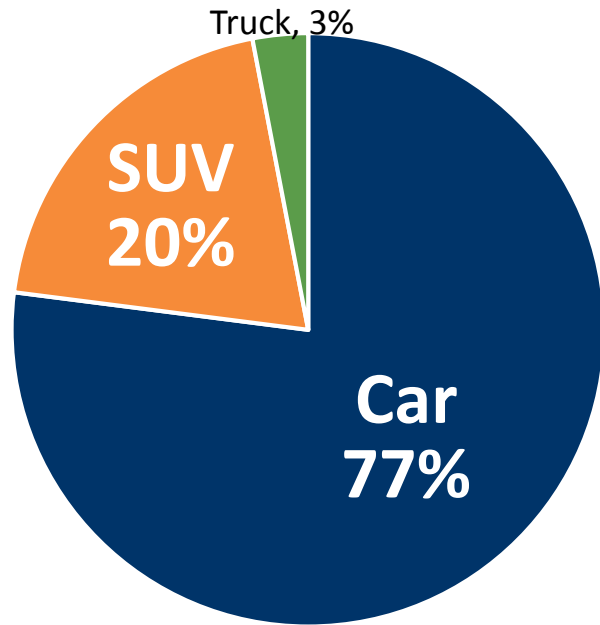


2018 FORD SALES



Top Selling Models By Brand: Mitsubishi

2008 MITSUBISHI SALES



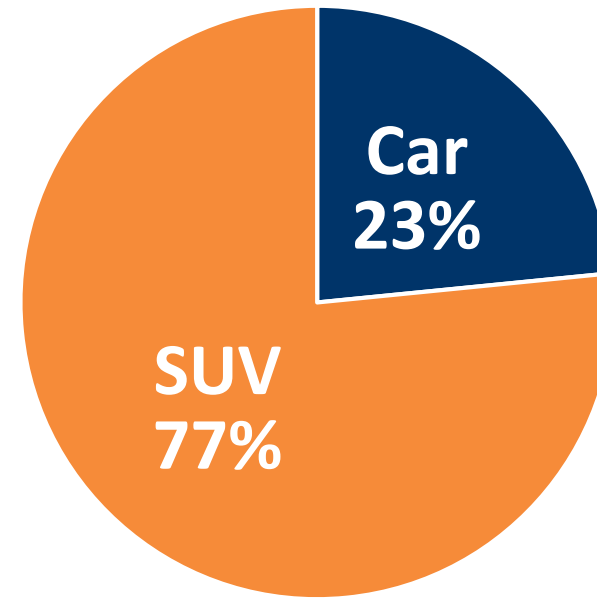
14%
Outlander



29%
Lancer

16%
Eclipse

2018 MITSUBISHI SALES



35%
Outlander



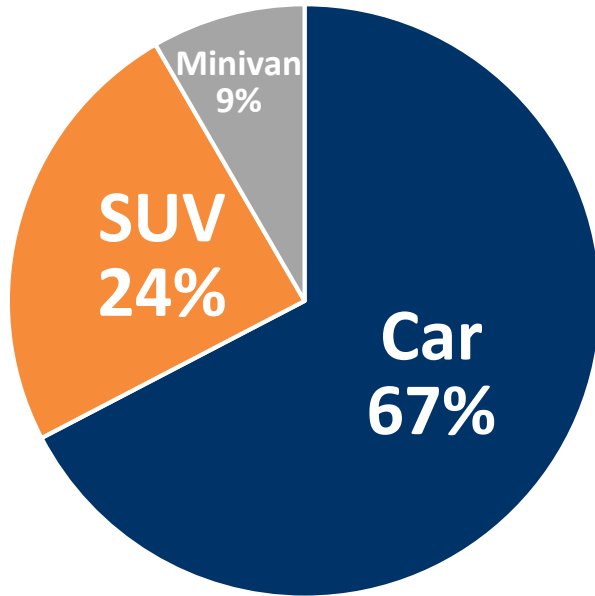
33%
Outlander Sport



21%
Mirage

Top Selling Models By Brand: MAZDA

2008 MAZDA SALES



10%
CX-7

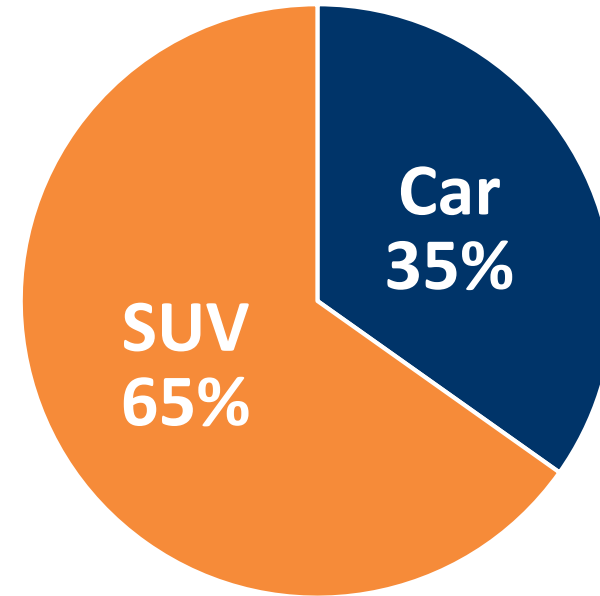
10%
CX-9



42%
MAZDA3

20%
MAZDA6

2018 MAZDA SALES



50%
CX-5



9%
CX-9

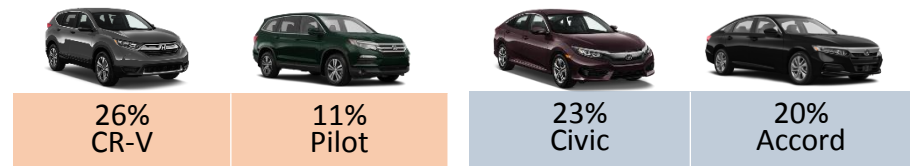
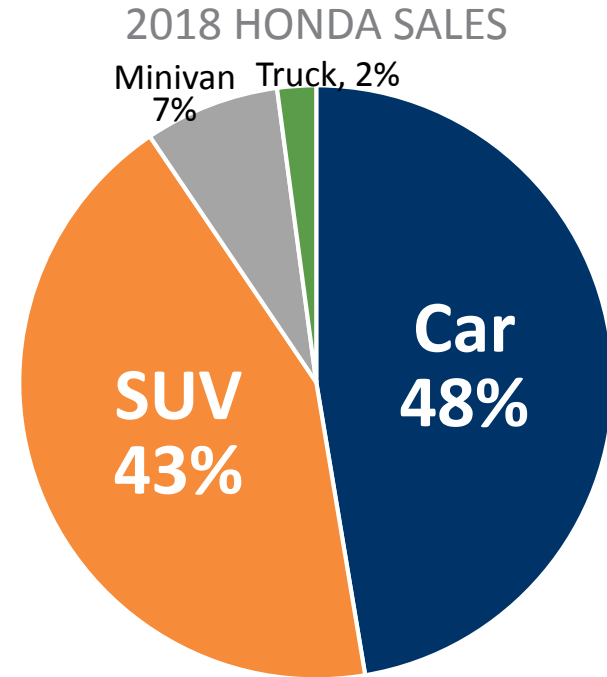
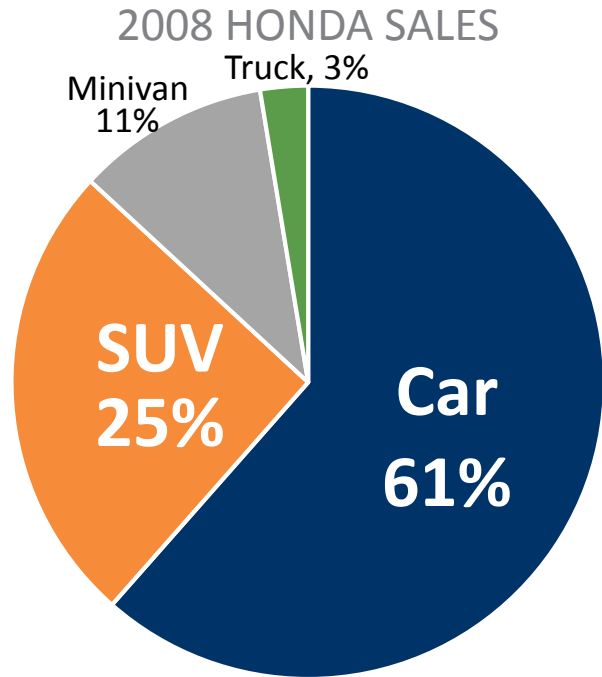


22%
MAZDA3



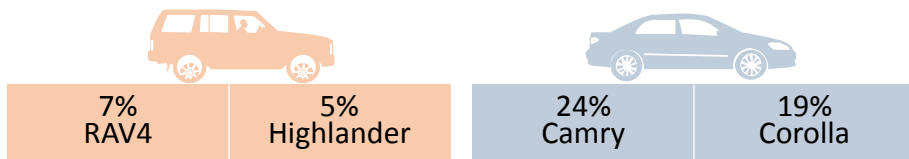
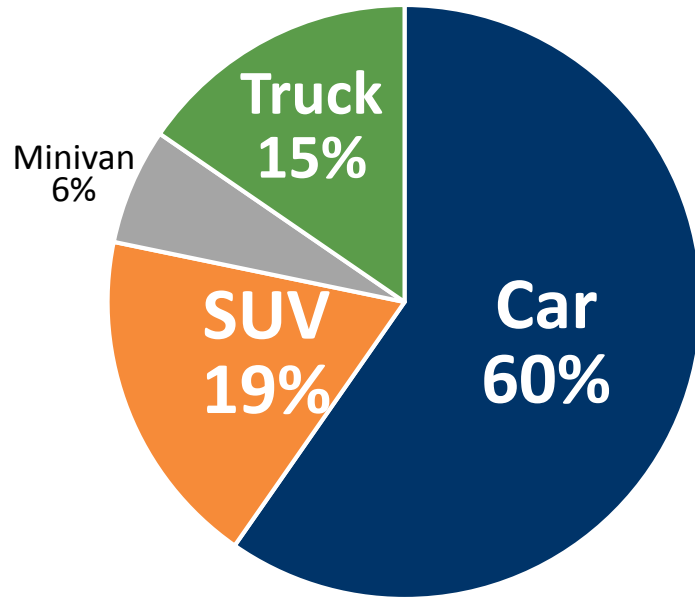
10%
MAZDA6

Top Selling Models By Brand: Honda

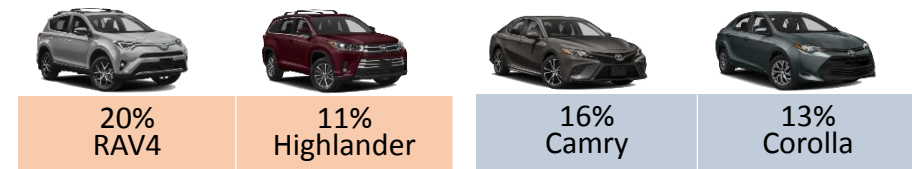
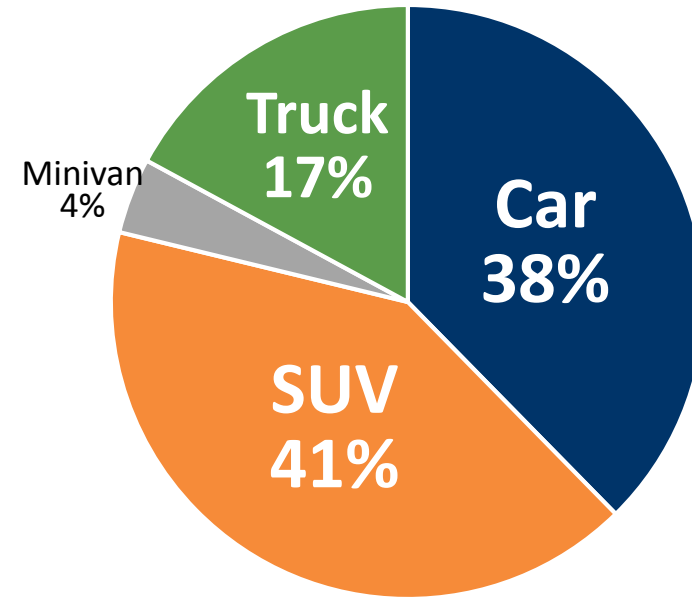


Top Selling Models By Brand: Toyota

2008 TOYOTA SALES

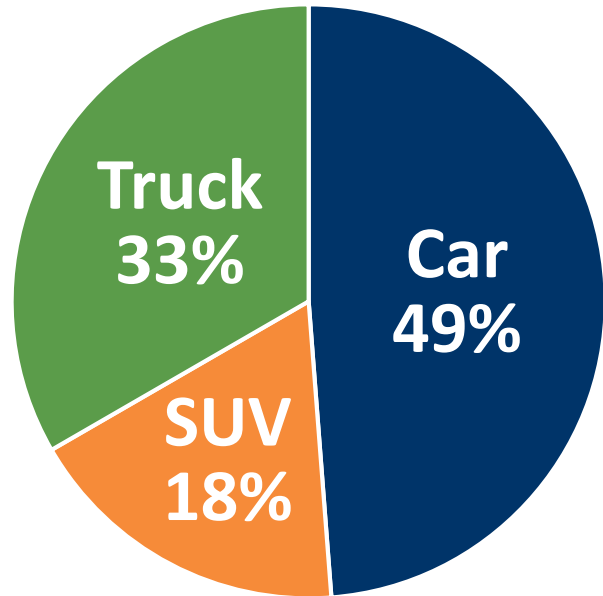


2018 TOYOTA SALES



Top Selling Models By Brand: Chevrolet

2008 CHEVROLET SALES



6%
Tahoe

5%
TrailBlazer



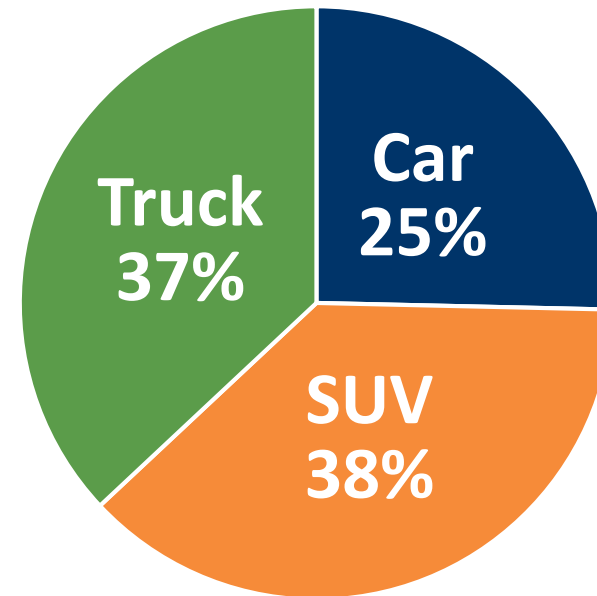
16%
Impala

11%
Malibu



28%
Silverado

2018 CHEVROLET SALES



17%
Equinox



8%
Traverse



7%
Malibu



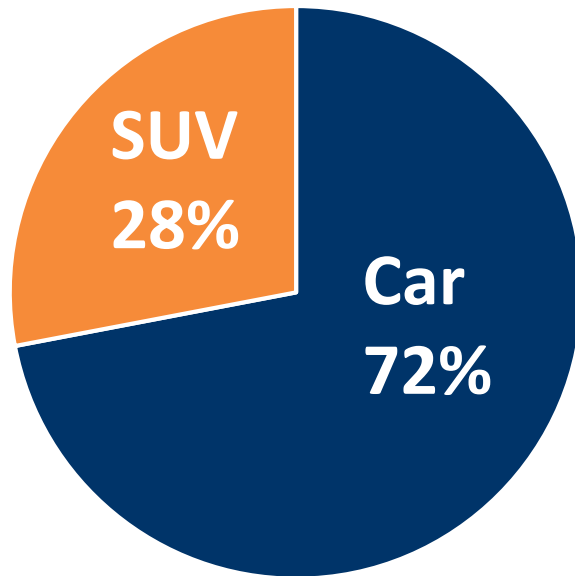
7%
Cruze



30%
Silverado

Top Selling Models By Brand: Dodge

2008 DODGE SALES



13%
Journey

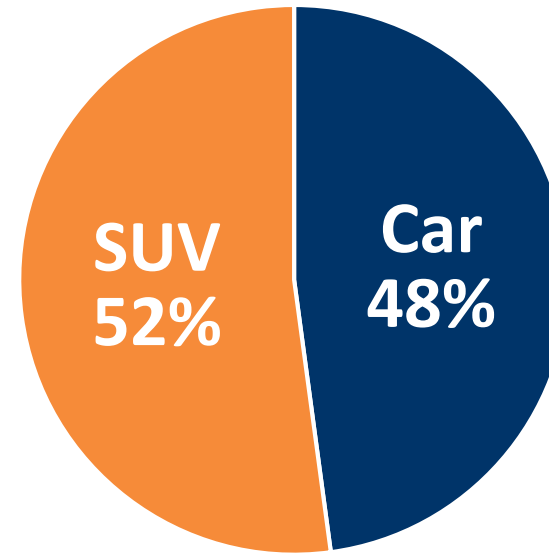
10%
Nitro



26%
Charger

23%
Caliber

2018 DODGE SALES



31%
Journey



21%
Durango

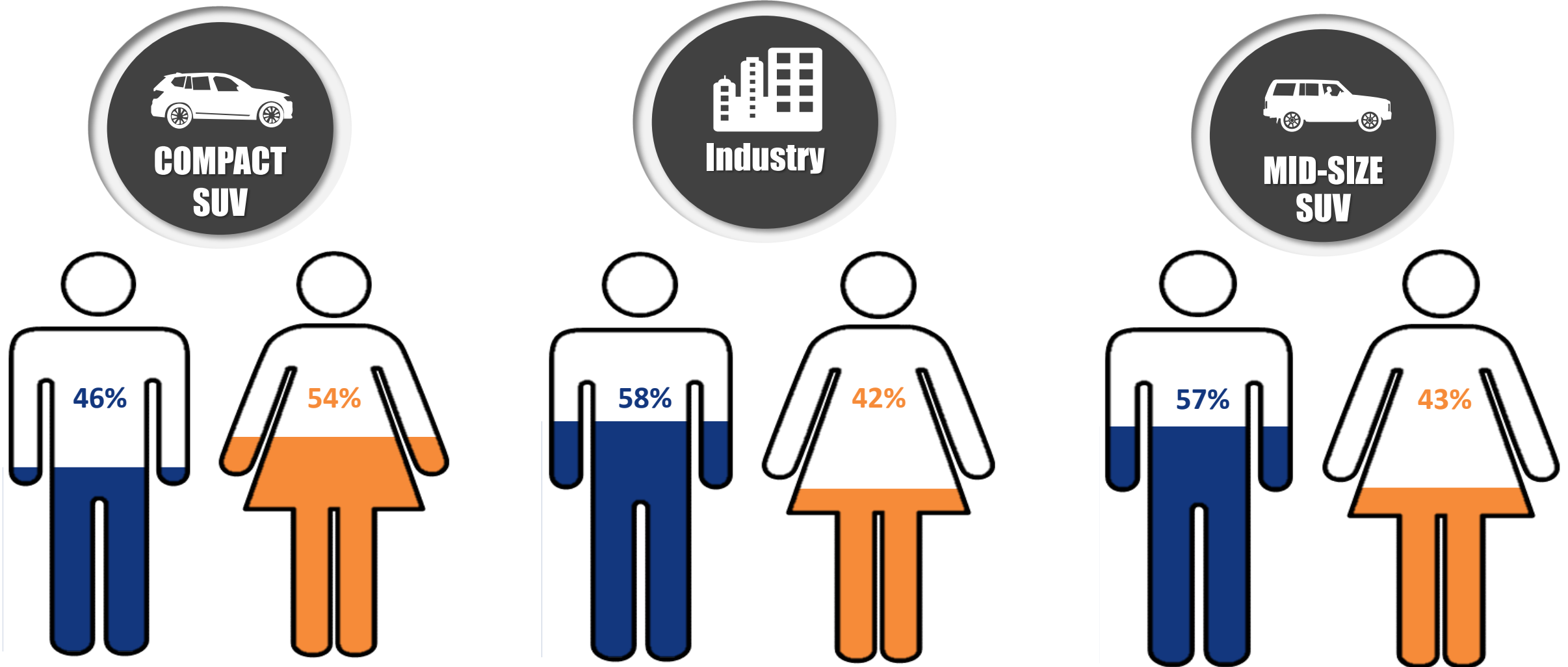


26%
Charger





22%
Challenger

Compact SUV Shoppers Skew Female, Whereas, Mid-Size SUV Skews Male






SUVs Retain More Values Than Cars

Current auction retention values for 1 to 3-year-old models

 CAR	RETENTION %	 SUV	RETENTION %
Subcompact Car	49%	Subcompact SUV/Crossover	59%
Compact Car	55%	Compact SUV/Crossover	59%
Mid-size Car	53%	Mid-size SUV/Crossover	61%
Full-size Car	51%	Full-Size SUV/Crossover	61%
Overall Cars	54%	Overall SUV	60%

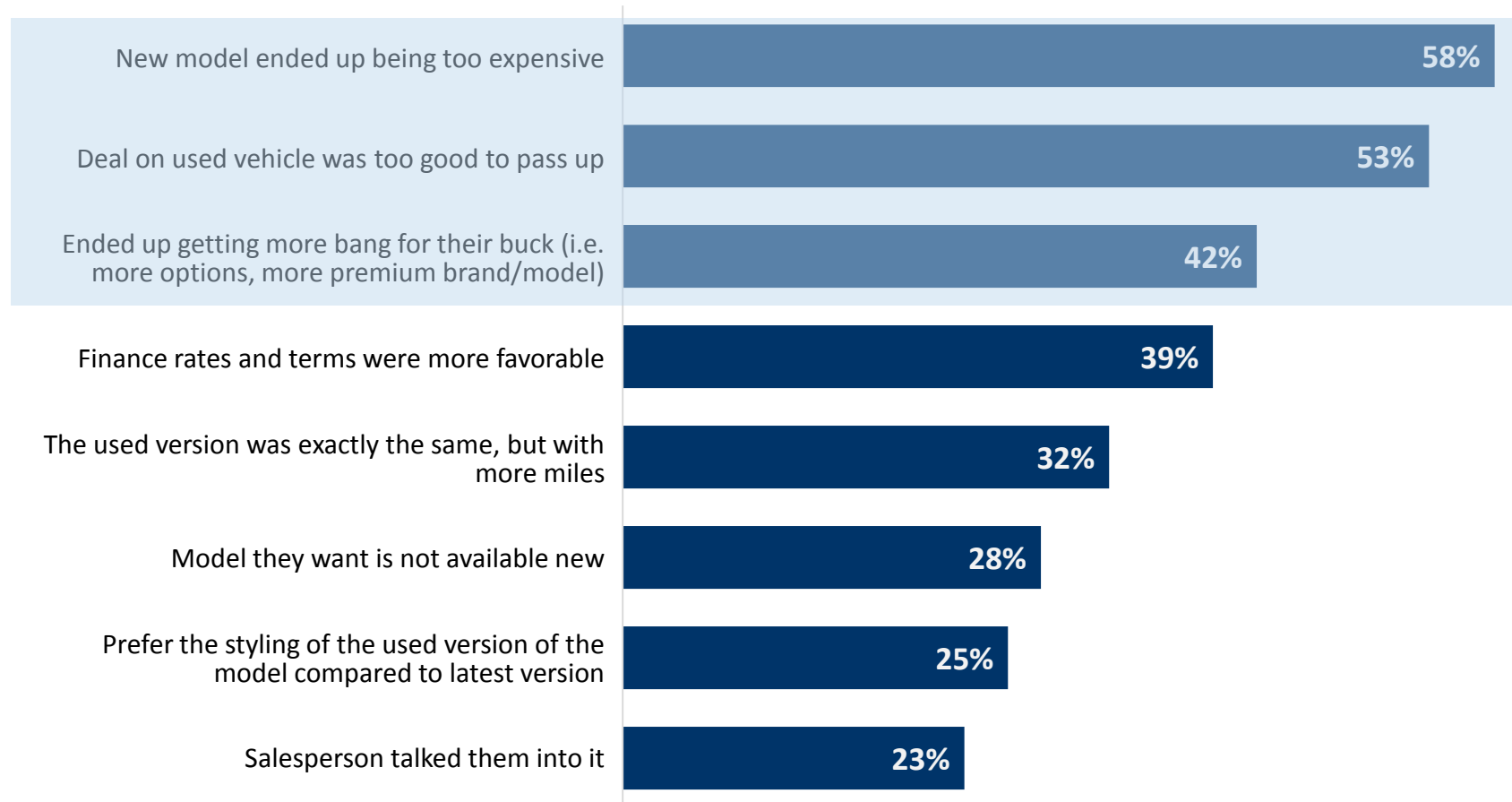
Compact and Midsize Cars Still Cost Less to Operate, Although the Gap With Utilities Has Narrowed

AVERAGE GAS COST

Segment	2007 Monthly Cost	2018 Monthly Cost	Difference	2018 Daily Cost
Compact Car 	\$119.64	\$94.30	\$25.34	\$3.14
Mid-size Car 	\$147.28	\$98.97	\$32.90	\$3.30
Compact SUV 	\$132.09	\$114.38	\$33.12	\$3.81
Mid-size SUV 	\$181.15	\$141.89	\$39.26	\$4.73

Even When Considering New, Consumers Might Gravitate Towards Used Cars for the Value It Offers

REASONS SOMEONE SHOPPING NEW ENDS UP BUYING USED



SUV Milestones

1935: The Chevy Suburban offers a wagon body on a truck frame, kicks off its streak as longest-running nameplate in auto history



1960s: Brands from Int'l Harvester to Ford come to market with truck-based utility vehicles



1990: Ford ignites SUV market with family-focused Explorer

1996: Toyota introduces RAV4 as first pure crossover



1988-2000: Safety of truck-based utilities comes into question, as rollover news plagues Explorer, Trooper and Samurai

2002: After Isuzu-based Passport comes up short, Honda bets on CUV formula with Pilot



2008: GM introduces Lambda crossovers to replace BOF SUVs



Pre-1990s

1990s

2000s

2010s

In the 2000s the industry made the switch from BOF* to unibody in earnest

1941: American Bantam's design for the military Jeep creates the original off-road utility vehicle



1980s: SUV market goes mainstream, with several entries including Blazer, Cherokee, Pathfinder and 4Runner following same formula



1997: Honda establishes size and execution mold for compact CUVs with CR-V

2000: Toyota establishes dual product strategy, introducing Highlander while keeping the 4Runner



2012: Nissan replaces BOF Pathfinder with crossover

2010: Ford replaces BOF Explorer with crossover



Historically SUVs Have Faced Distinct Barriers to Adoption







Safety

Fuel Efficiency

Affordability

Most SUVs Were Converted to Car-Based Frame, Rollover Ratings Improved Significantly Across the Board and Shifted Safety Perception

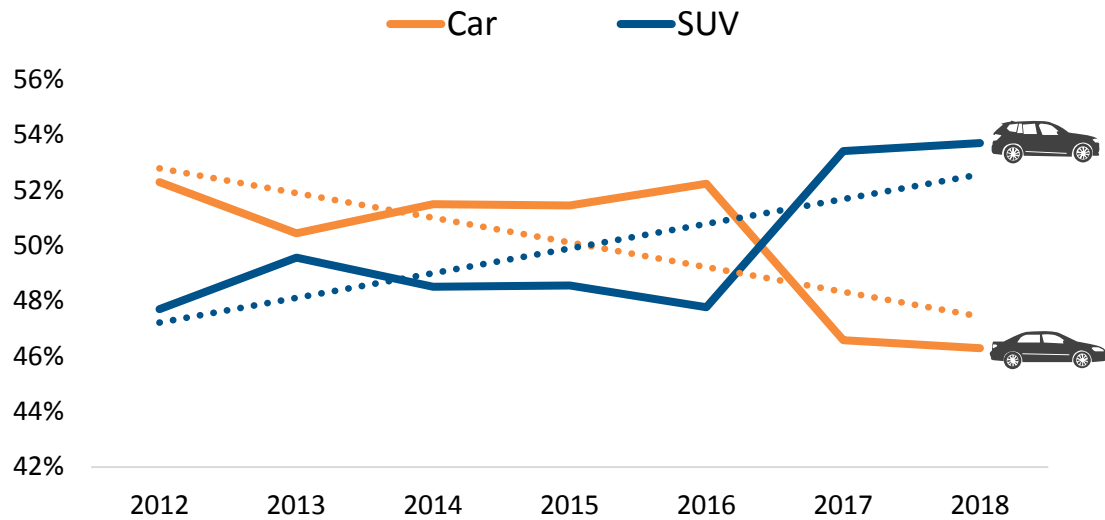
NHTSA RATINGS OUT OF 5 STARS

Truck-Based	2009
	Chevy TrailBlazer ★ ★ ★
	Ford Explorer ★ ★ ★
	Nissan Pathfinder ★ ★ ★
	Toyota 4Runner ★ ★ ★
Average	3

Car-Based	2013
	Chevy Traverse ★ ★ ★ ★
	Ford Explorer ★ ★ ★ ★
	Nissan Pathfinder ★ ★ ★ ★
	Toyota Highlander ★ ★ ★ ★
Average	4

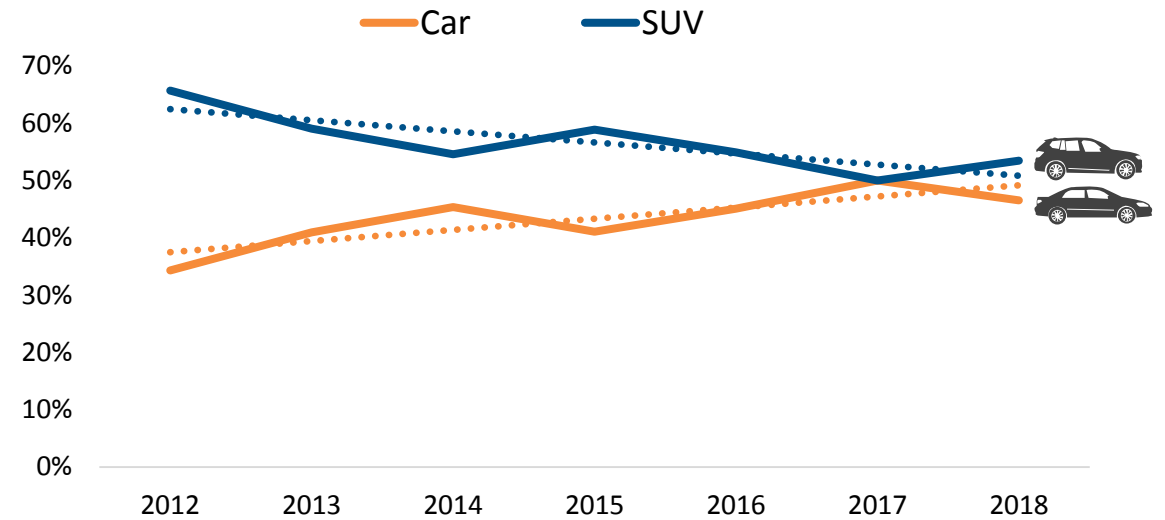
SUVs Are Now More Affordable than Previous Years

VEHICLES BETWEEN \$30K-40K



More SUV offerings within the 30-40K price range now than 2012. More available in the lower price range.






VEHICLES WITHIN \$40K-50K



SUVs in the 40-50K price range has gone down, more of an even mix with cars.

Drivers of All Segments Perceive SUVs to be Safer than Cars

Which is safer?

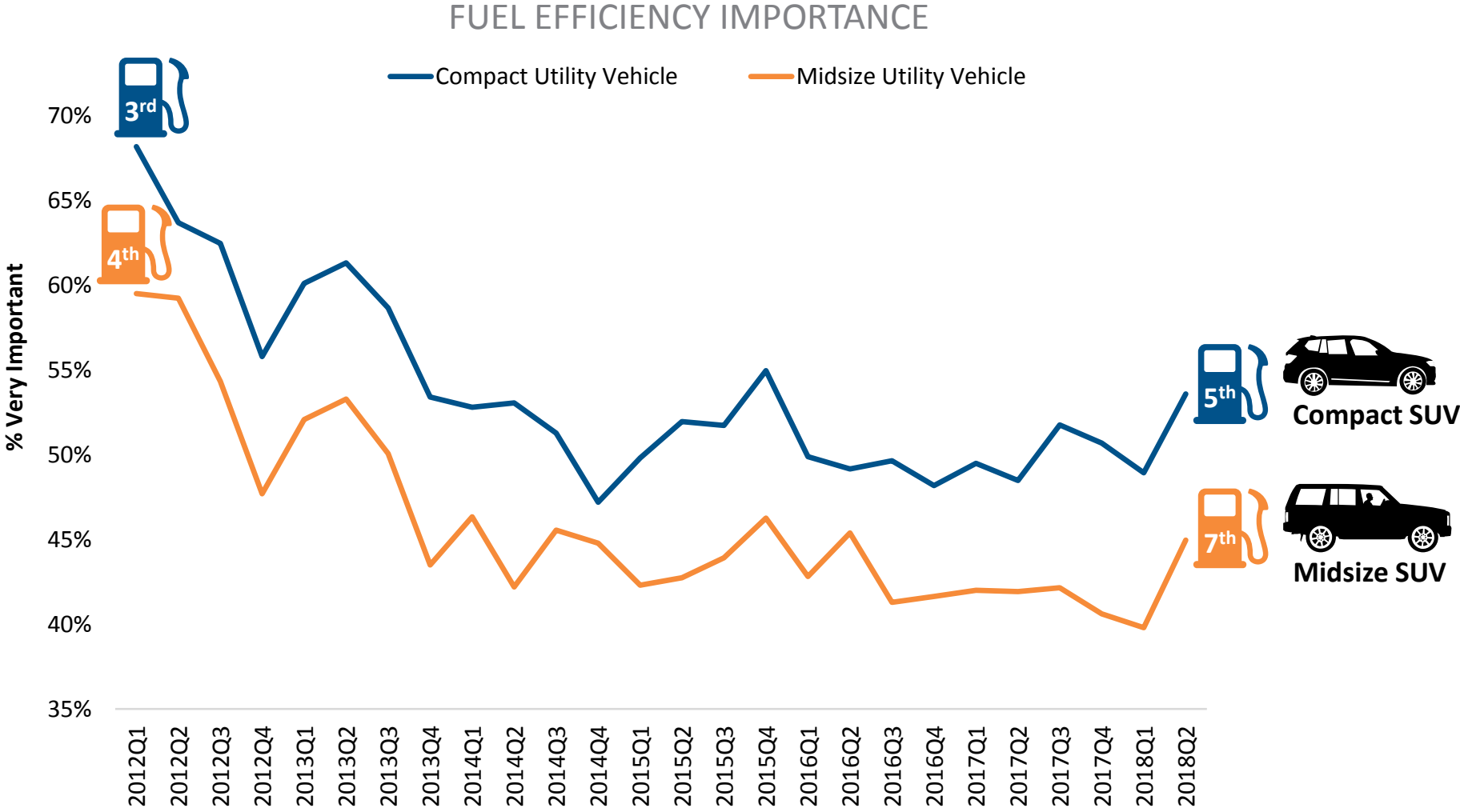
PRIMARY VEHICLE	CAR	SUV
Car 	46%	54%
SUV 	15%	85%
Truck 	26%	74%
Minivan 	25%	75%
Wagon 	41%	59%



- SUVs have a clear advantage in safety image, with many citing **size** and **visibility** as pluses



SUV Shoppers Are Placing Less Importance on Fuel Efficiency



...And More Importance on Affordability

