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Number of battery electric cars on the UK's road passes the 500,000 mark - RAC reaction

Reacting to the fact that there are now more than 500,000 zero-emission battery electric cars on the UK's roads, RAC EV spokesperson Simon Williams said:

"While the global chip shortage is still hampering overall demand for new vehicles, June's figures mean that the total number of battery electric cars on the roads has surpassed the half-a-million milestone – a ray of light in what

is otherwise a gloomy set of new vehicle registration figures.

“Moreover, sales of all plug-in vehicles including plug-in hybrids (PHEVs) now account for one-in-five registrations which clearly shows that desire for electrified vehicles shows no signs of waning, with the record petrol and diesel prices no doubt having an effect. However, sales of PHEVs appear to be down on 2021, which could be a sign that drivers are biting the bullet and jumping straight into an all-electric vehicle rather than using PHEVs as a stepping stone.”

Find out more about the RAC's services for electric car drivers.

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About the RAC

The RAC, an iconic UK brand, provides complete peace of mind to nearly 14 million UK private and business drivers, whatever their motoring needs. As well as its premium nationwide breakdown assistance service – with an expert branded patrol workforce attending more than two million breakdowns every year – it offers a wide range of market-leading products across insurance, legal services, vehicle inspections and service, maintenance and repair. Included in this is the first-of-its-kind nationwide Mobile Mechanics service which brings the garage to homes and workplaces.

At the forefront of new solutions for business fleets and consumers, the RAC’s breakdown service is electric-ready with mobile EV charging technology and can be called on using myRAC – the all-in-one route planner, fuel finder and breakdown reporting app.

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