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FACT SHEET – CHANGES TO MOTOR VEHICLE DUTY

Background

Motor vehicle duty is payable on registrations and transfers of motor vehicles in Victoria.

Passenger vehicles (e.g. sedan, hatch, 4WD) with a market value above the luxury threshold are classed as luxury cars, and are subject to higher duty rates. The luxury threshold is currently \$66,331 and is indexed annually with CPI.

Currently, duty rates can differ depending on whether the vehicle is new or second hand.

Separate rates apply to non-passenger vehicles (e.g. ute, dual cab ute, motorhomes).

Proposed changes

- The amendments to the Duties Act will result in both new and used passenger vehicles being charged the same duty rate
- Two new super-luxury thresholds will be introduced:
 - Between \$100,001 and \$150,000
 - More than \$150,000

New concessions from luxury car tax (details below)

- Green vehicles
- Primary producer vehicles

New Motor Vehicle duty rates effective from 1 July 2019 (changes in blue)

Type of vehicle/value	Vehicle rate (both new and used vehicles)	Vehicle rate (LCT concessions)
Passenger car \$0 - \$66,331	\$8.40 per \$200 or part thereof	\$8.40 per \$200 or part thereof
Luxury passenger car \$66,331 - \$100,000	\$10.40 per \$200 or part thereof	\$8.40 per \$200 or part thereof
Luxury passenger car \$100,001 - \$150,000	\$14.00 per \$200 or part thereof	\$8.40 per \$200 or part thereof
Luxury passenger car More than \$150,000	\$18.00 per \$200 or part thereof	\$8.40 per \$200 or part thereof

Notes

- The 2019-20 luxury threshold is yet to be published (indexed by CPI)
- No changes have been made to non-passenger vehicle duty rates

Eligibility for vehicle concessions

Low-emission vehicles ('green cars')

Low emission passenger cars with carbon dioxide emissions less than 120g/km will be entitled to a concessionary motor vehicle duty of \$8.40 per \$200 of market value.

This is a reduction in the duty rate for low emission passenger cars valued above the luxury car tax threshold.

Primary production vehicles

Passenger cars owned by primary producers used in the business of primary production are entitled to a concessionary motor vehicle duty of \$8.40 per \$200 of market value.

This is a reduction in the duty rate for eligible cars valued above the luxury car tax threshold.

Existing exemptions continue to apply

Existing exemptions and reductions from motor vehicle duty will continue to apply in the following circumstances:

- Death of owner
- Breakdown of marriage or domestic relationship
- Transfers involving trustees or nominees
- Licenced motor car traders
- Interstate registrations
- Transport of disabled, handicapped, incapacitated or injured person(s) and/or wheelchairs
- Primary production, firefighting, emergency response, mobile plant and special purpose vehicles
- Consular vehicles
- Amalgamations, restructures and repossessions

No changes are proposed for non-passenger vehicles. All new and used non-passenger vehicles, including utility vehicles, will continue to be subject to existing concessionary rates.