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EV Monthly Recharge

Your Monthly EV Market Boost – May 2026:

Editor's Note: Explore Auto Innovators' new interactive [Charging Infrastructure & EV Registration Dashboard](#) – a dynamic national-, state- and county-level tool for tracking EV adoption and public charging deployment across the United States. Explore charging growth, EV registrations, community trends, network expansion and more through interactive maps and visualizations.

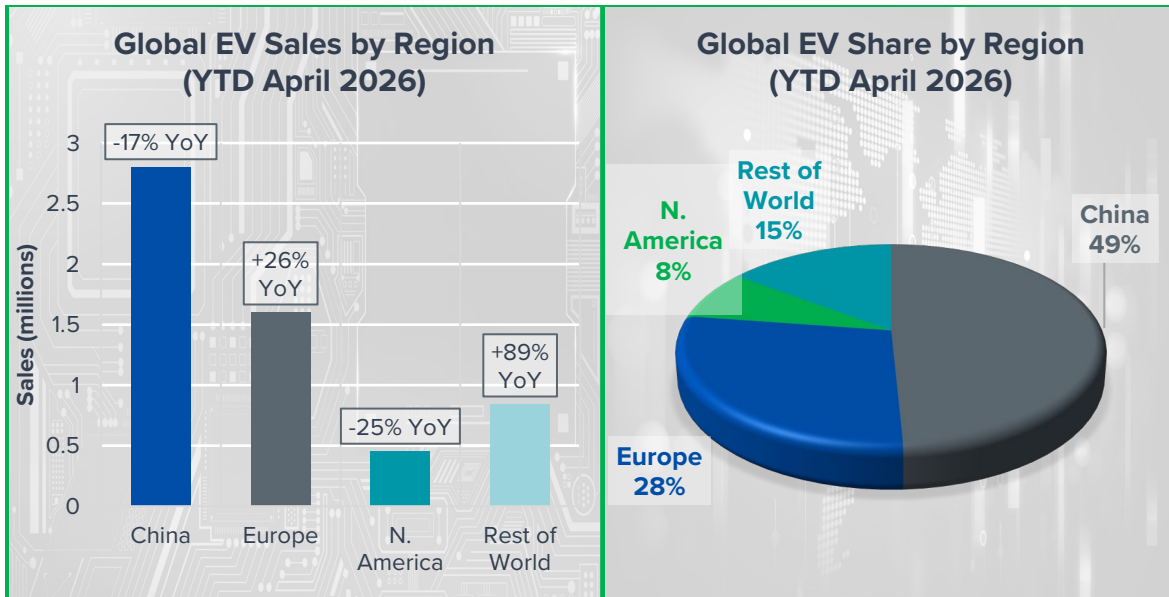


Market Snapshot

Global electric vehicle sales (BEV, PHEV and fuel cell) reached 5.6 million units through April 2026, down 0.2 percent year-over-year. China holds 49 percent of global EV market share. ([Read More](#))

- European EV demand remained strong in April, with sales rising 27 percent year-over-year to more than 400,000 units. Growth accelerated through the spring, supported by higher fuel prices and continued policy incentives, with year-to-date EV sales up 36 percent in France and 33 percent in Germany.
- Chinese-built EVs are gaining share in Europe despite EU tariffs, accounting for 22 percent of EVs sold in Europe so far in 2026, up from 19 percent in 2025. Chinese OEMs are also accelerating localization efforts through new European production partnerships and manufacturing investments.
- China's domestic EV market declined 17 percent year-to-date following subsidy changes, but exports have surged. China exported nearly 1.4 million EVs in the first four months of 2026 – more than double the pace of last year – driving increased Chinese EV sales across Europe, South America, Southeast Asia and Mexico. ([Read More](#))

EVs accounted for 6.1 percent of U.S. new light-vehicle sales in April, below the 9 percent share recorded in April 2025, per Omdia estimates. EV sales fell 37 percent year-over-year in April, a decline of roughly 49,000 units. Year-to-date EV sales are down 154,600 units (30 percent).



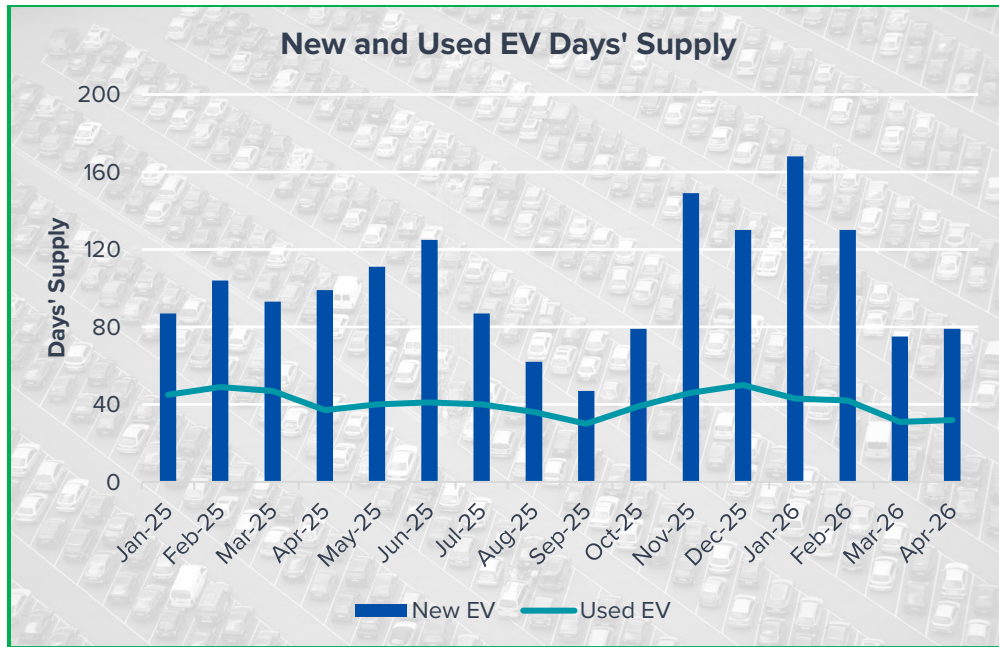
\$ EV Pricing, Incentives & Supply

New EV Prices Up Month-Over-Month, Down Year-Over-Year: Kelley Blue Book reports average pricing on a new EV in April increased to \$55,211, up 1.4 percent (roughly \$755) from March 2026. New EV prices in April were 4.9 percent lower year-over-year. ([Read More](#))

EV Incentives Down: EV incentives decreased slightly in April to 13.8 percent of the average transaction price – roughly \$7,600 per vehicle – more than double the industry average of 6.8 percent. ([Read More](#))

Used EV Prices Up: Average used EV listing prices rose 4.2 percent month-over-month in April to \$35,895, widening the gap with ICE models to \$1,096. Prices are 0.5 percent above year-ago levels. ([Read More](#))

Supply Continues to Tighten on Both New and Used EVs: EV inventory conditions continued to normalize in early 2026. New EV supply fell to 79 days in April (down sharply in comparison to late-2025 highs), while used EV inventory remained comparatively tight at 32 days, reinforcing stronger turnover trends in the used market.



Charging Infrastructure

U.S.: 245,705 Public Charging Ports Available (up 3,351 from March 2026): As of April 30, there were 174,199 Level 2 ports and 71,506 DC Fast ports installed in the U.S. This represents an increase of 2,089 L2 ports and an increase of 1,262 DC Fast ports from March. ([See More](#))

- L2 ports up 14 percent year-over-year.
- DC Fast ports up 31 percent year-over-year.
- Total ports are up 18 percent year-over-year.

NEVI Deployment Update: Through April 2026, 177 NEVI-funded projects in 19 states have delivered 841 DC Fast charging ports (an increase of 78 ports from March 2026):

NEVI Funded DC Fast Charging Ports			
State	Ports	State	Ports
PA	178	NM	32
NY	90	UT	26
OH	78	CA	8
WI	76	DE	8
CO	72	GA	8
TX	60	HI	8
MD	52	MN	8
ME	52	RI	8
KY	36	KS	5
MI	36	Total: 841	



Data Point

J.D. Power: 26 Percent of New Vehicle Shoppers “Very Likely” to Consider an EV:

Consumer interest in EVs ticked upward in April, with 26 percent of U.S. new-vehicle shoppers saying they were “very likely” to consider an EV, up 3 percentage points from March, according to J.D. Power. The increase coincided with rising gasoline prices and growing consumer awareness of fuel cost savings. ([Read More](#))

Charging Availability Remains the Top Barrier to EV Adoption. While charging availability remains the top concern among consumers, levels continue to ease. In 2026, 46 percent of shoppers cited charging access as a reason for rejecting an EV – down 6 percentage points year-over-year.

- Concerns about charging time also improved, declining 2 percentage points year-over-year to 44 percent, suggesting consumer perceptions around EV usability may be gradually improving as infrastructure expands.



Looking Ahead

S&P Global: Fuel Prices Renew EV Interest, But Market Remains in Transition: “A notable downshift for BEV sales and market share was expected through the first half of 2026, as automakers and consumers alike adjust to post-incentive conditions. However, rising fuel prices since March have renewed interest in fuel efficient vehicles. Still, BEV share of new sales in March and April hasn’t reflected a meaningful advance. BEV sales are up from the immediate post-incentive expiration results realized from September 25-February 26, but remain down from year-ago levels. ... The roll out of new BEV product over the course of 2026 should provide some additional momentum for BEV sales along with sorting out of an answer to the question of how high could fuel prices remain, and for how long.” ([Read More](#))

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