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More Electric Vehicles in Saskatchewan

New numbers show nearly 650 plug-in vehicles now on provincial roads

[Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, January-26] — New data shows that in November 2020 there were 382 fully electric vehicles in Saskatchewan and combined with 266 extended range and plug-in hybrid vehicles there were 648 plug-in vehicles in the province at that time. Despite a tough 2020, this was a growth of 172 plug-in vehicles since May, 2020. SaskEV now expects the plug-in market to push above 1,000 vehicles in 2021 with new public charging infrastructure, additional model availability (specifically more crossovers and trucks) and the economic recovery from the pandemic.

The top plug-in vehicle brand in the province was Tesla capturing 37% of the total plug-in market and 62% of the all electric provincial fleet with 237 vehicles. Chevrolet, Hyundai, Mitsubishi and Toyota round out the top five. Extended range and plug-in hybrid vehicles (those with a backup gasoline engine) represented 41% of the plug-in share and fully electric vehicles represented 59% of the market, a growth from 55% in May as full electrics grew in popularity among EV shoppers.

Saskatoon is the top community for plug-in models in the province with 271 vehicles and a 42% share despite weak fast charge support. Regina had 164 vehicles and 25% of the market with Moose Jaw, Martensville and Warman representing the remainder of the top five. Corman Park was sixth as these nearby communities show additional strength for the Saskatoon region with the most recent data. Regina, Moose Jaw and seventh place Swift Current are on the Trans-Canada fast charge corridor with networks from Tesla, Petro-Canada and soon to launch Co-op Connect.

With 4,339 hybrid vehicles there were a total of 4,987 electrified vehicles on the roads of Saskatchewan. Numbers were provided by SaskPower, in partnership with SGI based on data available on November 23, 2020. SaskEV provided additional analysis of the data prior to release.

About Us:

SaskEV Society Inc. (SaskEV) is an electric vehicle group based in the Saskatoon region since October, 2017, focused on building momentum for electric vehicles in Saskatchewan.

More information:

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