Annex: COP26 declaration on accelerating the transition to zero-emission vehicles

On November 10, the publication date of the Zero-Emission Vehicles Factbook, a number of governments and automakers stated their shared ambition for all new cars and vans to be zero-emission globally by 2040, or 2035 at the latest in leading markets.

24 national governments, including the U.K., Netherlands, Chile, Canada, Austria, Sweden, and Denmark, signed the declaration. Car and van sales in these countries were just under 6 million in 2020. 7 emerging markets and developing economies made a partial commitment.

6 passenger-vehicle and van manufacturers made the same commitment. Combined vehicle sales of those automakers totaled 15 million in 2020, or 21% of the global auto market.

Additionally, 39 state, regional and municipal governments and 5 non-passenger vehicle manufacturers committed for all new car sales to be ZEVs by 2035/2040.

The Zero-Emissions Factbook details the EV/ZEV commitments of automakers and governments prior to this new declaration. Some, but not all, of those prior commitments overlap with signatories of this declaration. In totality:
National ICE phase-out commitments following this declaration represent 20% of the global car market, up from 19% in the Factbook.
Automakers’ latest stat on the global car market is 32%.

Source: BEIS, BloombergNEF. Note: Uses 2020 passenger vehicle sales to estimate impact. ICE = internal combustion engine.