

Dear Productivity Commission,

I am a private citizen with a 21 year old son.

I have several friends who indirectly work for the Australian Auto Industry in parts manufacture.

As a matter of national security it is important that we maintain a competitive manufacturing industry and, in particular, a local auto industry. The subsidies to Holden and Toyota are small by international standards and it is important that they remain.

The industry has changed over the last decade with Australians now looking to purchase small and mid-size vehicles as well as SUV's rather than the Commodore/ Falcon choices of the past. It is important that car makers are encouraged to make those vehicles and the correct structure of the subsidies can encourage this.

At this time it is important to maintain the jobs which are both directly and indirectly linked to the manufacturing, and, in particular, the auto industry.

Kind Regards,
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