

Dear Productivity Commission,

I am a father of 2, employed part-time, living in Melbourne

The Australian automotive industry is very important to me because it provides thousands of jobs and I am concerned that my kids won't be able to find decent, permanent and skilled work if we lose it. Apart from all the jobs, there's all the trade, engineering and management skills that our country will lose. Not to mention the enormous impact to our economy.

If that's not enough, then I would also ask the Commission to consider the sense of national identity and pride that building our own cars provides to us. My family and I have always driven Australian made cars to show our support for our workers and our ability to make things. They're also made for our conditions and are of equal, if not better quality than all the other imported vehicles on our roads.

I simply don't buy a hard and fast economic model of money in, money out - although I reckon \$31 back for every \$1 in is a good bet. Nor do I accept that scale or volume should be the ultimate determinant of whether we keep this industry. It's a must and the Government should help keep this industry here.

Kind Regards,
Rod Masson