## California New Vehicle Market Moved Higher in First Quarter 2023 vs. Year Earlier

California Annual New Light Vehicle Registrations - 2008 thru 2023


Historical Data sourced from Experian Automotive. *2023 forecast by Auto Outlook.

New vehicle registrations in California are predicted to approach 1.8 million units this year and increase 6.9 percent from 2022.

Following three years of below average sales, pent-up demand is at elevated levels as the volume of postponed purchases continues to grow. This will be the driving force for the market for the remainder of the year. Weakening consumer affordability will hold back the release of pent-up demand, but improving vehicle inventories should be sufficient to push sales above current levels.

California New Light Vehicle Registrations and U.S. New Vehicle Sales - YTD '22 and YTD '23 thru March

## TWO YEAR PERSPECTIVE



|  | California |  |  | U.S. |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | YTD '22 | YTD '23 | Change | YTD '22 | YTD '23 | Change |
| Registrations |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TOTAL | 425,216 | 450,000 | 5.8\% | 3,317,506 | 3,594,969 | 8.4\% |
| Car | 133,771 | 139,367 | 4.2\% | 681,132 | 768,851 | 12.9\% |
| Light Truck | 291,445 | 310,633 | 6.6\% | 2,636,374 | 2,826,118 | 7.2\% |
| Domestic | 151,781 | 169,612 | 11.7\% | 1,450,896 | 1,611,967 | 11.1\% |
| European | 61,015 | 66,490 | 9.0\% | 320,912 | 358,068 | 11.6\% |
| Japanese | 178,399 | 171,568 | -3.8\% | 1,223,105 | 1,242,580 | 1.6\% |
| Korean | 34,021 | 42,330 | 24.4\% | 322,593 | 382,354 | 18.5\% |
| Market Share |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Car | 31.5 | 31.0 | -0.5 | 20.5 | 21.4 | 0.9 |
| Light Truck | 68.5 | 69.0 | 0.5 | 79.5 | 78.6 | -0.9 |
| Domestic | 35.7 | 37.7 | 2.0 | 43.7 | 44.8 | 1.1 |
| European | 14.3 | 14.8 | 0.5 | 9.7 | 10.0 | 0.3 |
| Japanese | 42.1 | 38.1 | -4.0 | 36.9 | 34.6 | -2.3 |
| Korean | 8.0 | 9.4 | 1.4 | 9.7 | 10.6 | 0.9 |

Source for California new vehicle registrations: Experian Automotive.
Source for U.S. sales: Automotive News.

New light vehicle registrations in California increased 5.8 percent in the First Quarter of this year versus the year earlier, slightly below the 8.4 percent improvement in National sales.

After several years of steep declines, fleet purchases in the state have accelerated in 2023. Fleet registrations increased by 38.7 percent versus the slim 1 percent increase in retail registrations.


## SEGMENT MARKET SHARE TRENDS

## Luxury SUV Market Share Approaches 20 Percent

## Segment Market Shares in California

 YTD 2022 thru March

Segment Market Shares in California YTD 2023 thru March


The two graphs above show market shares for primary segments in during the first three months of 2022 and 2023. Data sourced from Experian Automotive.

## HYBRID AND ELECTRIC VEHICLES

## Estimated Electric Vehicle Market Share Approached 20 Percent in 1Q '23



Estimated Hybrid and Electric Vehicle Market Share


| Estimated Hybrid and Electric New Vehicle Registrations and Market Share |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | YTD |
|  | 2019 | 2020 | 2021 | 2022 | 2023 |
| Electric registrations | 106752 | 101628 | 176357 | 285199 | 87525 |
| Electric share | $5.1 \%$ | $6.2 \%$ | $9.5 \%$ | $17.1 \%$ | $19.5 \%$ |
| Hybrid regs. (excl. plug ins) | 117218 | 113103 | 196777 | 183461 | 49680 |
| Hybrid share (excl. plug ins) | $5.6 \%$ | $6.9 \%$ | $10.6 \%$ | $11.0 \%$ | $11.0 \%$ |
| Plug in hybrid regs. | 52329 | 31144 | 61261 | 50035 | 16470 |
| Plug in hybrid share | $2.5 \%$ | $1.9 \%$ | $3.3 \%$ | $3.0 \%$ | $3.7 \%$ |

The graph and table above show estimated hybrid powertrain and electric vehicle market share in the state. Registrations by powertrain for vehicles equipped with multiple engine types were estimated by Auto Outlook. The estimates are based on model registrations compiled by Experian, and engine installation rates collected from other sources.

Percent Change in New Retail BEV Registrations for Vehicles Sold by Franchised Dealerships and Direct Sellers YTD 2023 thru March vs. YTD 2022


New retail registrations for battery electric vehicles sold at franchised dealerships increased by 140 percent during the first three months of this year versus the year earlier. New registrations for vehicles sold by direct sellers increased 14 percent. Franchised dealership share of the state's new retail BEV market increased from 19.0 percent in 1Q ' 22 to 32.9 percent this year. Data sourced from Experian Automotive.

## MODEL RANKINGS

## Tesla Model Y was Best-Seller in California New Vehicle Market

The table below shows the top five selling models during the first three months of 2023 in 18 segments. In addition to unit registrations, it also shows each model's market share in its respective segment. Sales results for many models are still being negatively impacted by supply chain issues and limited vehicle inventories.


## BEST SELLERS IN PRIMARY SEGMENTS

Small Cars: Honda Civic
Mid-Size and Large Cars: Toyota Camry
Near Luxury Cars: Tesla Model 3

Comp./Mid Size Pickup: Toyota Tacoma

Full Size Pickup: Ford F-Series Compact SUV: Toyota RAV4
3 Row Mid-Size SUV: Toyota Highlander Luxury Compact SUV: Tesla Model Y

Top Selling Models in Each Segment - New Retail Light Vehicle Registrations (YTD 2023 thru March)

| Small Cars |  |  | Mid Size and Large Cars |  |  | Sports/Pony Cars |  |  | Near Luxury Cars |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Model | Regs. | Share | Model | Regs. S | Share | Model | Regs. Shar | Share | Model | Regs. | Share |
| Honda Civic | 10375 | 20.7 | Toyota Camry | 13929 | 39.0 | Ford Mustang | 2301 | 42.8 | Tesla Model 3 | 17715 | 48.9 |
| Toyota Corolla | 10100 | 20.2 | Honda Accord | 9879 | 27.7 | Dodge Challenger | 982 | 18.3 | Mercedes C-Class | 2495 | 6.9 |
| Chevrolet Bolt | 7296 | 14.6 | Chevrolet Malibu | 3792 | 10.6 | Chevrolet Camaro | 788 | 14.7 | BMW 3-Series | 2139 | 5.9 |
| Kia Forte | 7020 | 14.0 | Nissan Altima | 3565 | 10.0 | Mazda MX5 | 453 | 8.4 | Lexus ES | 2021 | 5.6 |
| Hyundai Elantra | 3412 | 6.8 | Dodge Charger | 1465 | 4.1 | Toyota 86 | 367 | 6.8 | BMW i4 | 1631 | 4.5 |
| Luxury and High End Sports Cars |  |  | Compact/Mid Size Pickup |  |  | Full Size Pickup |  |  | Mini Van |  |  |
| Model | Regs. | Share | Model | Regs. S | Share | Model | Regs. Shar | Share | Model | Regs. | Share |
| BMW 5-Series | 2038 | 17.1 | Toyota Tacoma | 9543 | 48.1 | Ford F-Series | 12955 | 34.4 | Honda Odyssey | 2111 | 35.4 |
| Mercedes EQS | 1499 | 12.6 | Ford Maverick | 2490 | 12.5 | Chevrolet Silverado | 9527 | 25.3 | Toyota Sienna | 1909 | 32.0 |
| Mercedes S-Class | 1018 | 8.5 | Nissan Frontier | 1710 | 8.6 | Ram Pickup | 5973 | 15.9 | Chrysler Pacifica | 1447 | 24.2 |
| Chevrolet Corvette | 789 | 6.6 | Chevrolet Colorado | 1583 | 8.0 | GMC Sierra | 5355 | 14.2 | Chrysler Voyager | 292 | 4.9 |
| BMW 7-Series | 706 | 5.9 | Ford Ranger | 1517 | 7.6 | Toyota Tundra | 2610 | 6.9 | Kia Carnival | 212 | 3.6 |
| Large Van |  |  | Subcompact SUV |  |  | Compact SUV |  |  | 2 Row Mid Size SUV |  |  |
| Model | Regs. | Share | Model | Regs. S | Share | Model | Regs. S | Share | Model | Regs. | Share |
| Ford Transit Connect | 3117 | 37.3 | Honda HR-V | 5327 | 17.3 | Toyota RAV4 | 13326 | 20.8 | Subaru Outback | 3587 | 18.6 |
| Mercedes Sprinter | 2045 | 24.5 | Subaru Crosstrek | 5260 | 17.1 | Honda CR-V | 6912 | 10.8 | Ford Mustang Mach-E | 2813 | 14.6 |
| Ram Promaster | 1911 | 22.9 | Kia Niro | 3555 | 11.6 | Jeep Wrangler | 5569 | 8.7 | Hyundai Santa Fe | 2261 | 11.7 |
| Chevrolet Express | 496 | 5.9 | Hyundai Kona | 2484 | 8.1 | Nissan Rogue | 5242 | 8.2 | Toyota 4Runner | 2225 | 11.5 |
| Ford E-Series | 356 | 4.3 | Kia Soul | 2367 | 7.7 | Mazda CX-5 | 3955 | 6.2 | Jeep Grand Cherokee | 2205 | 11.4 |
| 3 Row Mid Size SUV |  |  | Large SUV |  |  | Luxury Subcompact SUV |  |  | Luxury Compact SUV |  |  |
| Model | Regs. S | Share | Model | Regs. S | Share | Model | Regs. S | Share | Model | Regs. | Share |
| Toyota Highlander | 6218 | 20.7 | Ford Bronco | 3343 | 31.7 | Mercedes GLA-Class | 1060 | 20.5 | Tesla Model Y | 31940 | 64.5 |
| Ford Explorer | 4698 | 15.6 | Chevrolet Tahoe | 2105 | 20.0 | Audi Q3 | 812 | 15.7 | Audi Q5 | 3245 | 6.6 |
| Honda Pilot | 2896 | 9.6 | Chevrolet Suburban | 1235 | 11.7 | Lexus UX | 783 | 15.2 | Lexus NX | 2951 | 6.0 |
| Kia Sorento | 2329 | 7.7 | Ford Expedition | 1045 | 9.9 | Volvo XC40 | 721 | 14.0 | BMW X3 | 2146 | 4.3 |
| Kia Telluride | 2172 | 7.2 | GMC Yukon | 768 | 7.3 | Audi Q4 E-Tron | 625 | 12.1 | Porsche Macan | 1650 | 3.3 |
| Luxury Mid Size SUV |  |  | Luxury Large SUV |  |  | Top Selling Passenger Cars |  |  | Top Selling Light Trucks |  |  |
| Model | Regs. | Share | Model | Regs. S | Share | Model | Regs. S | Share | Model | Regs. | Share |
| Lexus RX | 3820 | 16.2 | Land Rover Range Rover | 1106 | 19.7 | Tesla Model 3 | 17715 | 12.7 | Tesla Model Y | 31940 | 10.3 |
| Mercedes GLE-Class | 3025 | 12.8 | Cadillac Escalade | 1042 | 18.6 | Toyota Camry | 13929 | 10.0 | Toyota RAV4 | 13326 | 4.3 |
| Tesla Model X | 2806 | 11.9 | BMW X7 | 884 | 15.8 | Honda Civic | 10375 | 7.4 | Ford F-Series | 12955 | 4.2 |
| BMW X5 | 2575 | 10.9 | Mercedes GLS-Class | 828 | 14.8 | Toyota Corolla | 10100 | 7.3 | Toyota Tacoma | 9543 | 3.1 |
| Acura MDX | 1444 | 6.1 | Mercedes G-Class | 726 | 13.0 | Honda Accord | 9879 | 7.1 | Chevrolet Silverado | 9527 | 3.1 |

BRAND SUMMARY
Registrations Increased for Most Brands; Toyota Retains Title of Top Selling Brand in CA in 1Q '23

Percent Change in Brand Registrations
YTD 2023 thru March vs. YTD 2022
(Top 30 selling brands in CA)



Registrations increased by more than 20 percent for Chevrolet, Genesis, Buick, Audi, Porsche, Hyundai, Cadillac, GMC, and Lincoln.

California and U.S. Market Share - YTD 2023 thru March (Top 15 selling brands in CA)


Toyota, Tesla, Ford, Honda, and Chevrolet were market share leaders in California during the First Quarter of this year.

## brand registrations

Detailed Results for All Brands in California Market

| Callfornla New Gar and Light Truck Registrations |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | First Quarter |  |  |  |  |  | Annual Totals |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Registrations |  |  | Market Share (\%) |  |  | Registrations |  |  | Market Share (\%) |  |  |
|  | 1Q '22 | 1Q '23 | \% Change | 1Q '22 | 1Q '23 | Change | 2021 | 2022 | \% Change | 2021 | 2022 | Change |
| TOTAL | 425,216 | 450,000 | 5.8 |  |  |  | 1,856,391 | 1,667,831 | -10.2 |  |  |  |
| Acura | 3,155 | 3,560 | 12.8 | 0.7 | 0.8 | 0.1 | 18,455 | 12,008 | -34.9 | 1.0 | 0.7 | -0.3 |
| Alfa Romeo | 590 | 327 | -44.6 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 3,159 | 2,150 | -31.9 | 0.2 | 0.1 | -0.1 |
| Audi | 7,042 | 9,719 | 38.0 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 0.5 | 37,524 | 32,308 | -13.9 | 2.0 | 1.9 | -0.1 |
| BMW | 16,168 | 16,425 | 1.6 | 3.8 | 3.7 | -0.1 | 65,310 | 61,718 | -5.5 | 3.5 | 3.7 | 0.2 |
| Buick | 958 | 1,338 | 39.7 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 6,816 | 3,230 | -52.6 | 0.4 | 0.2 | -0.2 |
| Cadillac | 2,619 | 3,183 | 21.5 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.1 | 10,295 | 10,676 | 3.7 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
| Chevrolet | 23,469 | 34,524 | 47.1 | 5.5 | 7.7 | 2.2 | 123,006 | 112,826 | -8.3 | 6.6 | 6.8 | 0.2 |
| Chrysler | 2,204 | 1,972 | -10.5 | 0.5 | 0.4 | -0.1 | 10,760 | 9,812 | -8.8 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.0 |
| Dodge | 4,413 | 3,295 | -25.3 | 1.0 | 0.7 | -0.3 | 23,108 | 19,181 | -17.0 | 1.2 | 1.2 | 0.0 |
| Ford | 37,106 | 39,913 | 7.6 | 8.7 | 8.9 | 0.2 | 146,486 | 140,881 | -3.8 | 7.9 | 8.4 | 0.5 |
| Genesis | 1,490 | 2,113 | 41.8 | 0.4 | 0.5 | 0.1 | 5,952 | 7,528 | 26.5 | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.2 |
| GMC | 7,717 | 9,301 | 20.5 | 1.8 | 2.1 | 0.3 | 32,879 | 32,313 | -"1.7 | 1.8 | 1.9 | 0.1 |
| Honda | 38,706 | 39,345 | 1.7 | 9.1 | 8.7 | -0.4 | 201,196 | 131,793 | -34.5 | 10.8 | 7.9 | -2.9 |
| Hyundai | 13,638 | 17,804 | 30.5 | 3.2 | 4.0 | 0.8 | 71,271 | 65,149 | -8.6 | 3.8 | 3.9 | 0.1 |
| Infiniti | 1,301 | 1,213 | -6.8 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 7,813 | 4,519 | -42.2 | 0.4 | 0.3 | -0.1 |
| Jaguar | 436 | 356 | -18.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 2,755 | 1,449 | -47.4 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Jeep | 13,161 | 11,926 | -9.4 | 3.1 | 2.7 | -0.4 | 56,216 | 45,492 | -19.1 | 3.0 | 2.7 | -0.3 |
| Kia | 18,893 | 22,413 | 18.6 | 4.4 | 5.0 | 0.6 | 78,715 | 80,626 | 2.4 | 4.2 | 4.8 | 0.6 |
| Land Rover | 2,936 | 3,314 | 12.9 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 16,167 | 10,365 | -35.9 | 0.9 | 0.6 | -0.3 |
| Lexus | 12,228 | 12,247 | 0.2 | 2.9 | 2.7 | -0.2 | 57,005 | 48,726 | -14.5 | 3.1 | 2.9 | -0.2 |
| Lincoln | 969 | 1,163 | 20.0 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 4,853 | 4,071 | -16.1 | 0.3 | 0.2 | -0.1 |
| Maserati | 367 | 189 | -48.5 | 0.1 | 0.0 | -0.1 | 1,291 | 1,178 | -8.8 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 |
| Mazda | 10,095 | 9,866 | -2.3 | 2.4 | 2.2 | -0.2 | 45,286 | 34,388 | -24.1 | 2.4 | 2.1 | -0.3 |
| Mercedes | 16,520 | 17,465 | 5.7 | 3.9 | 3.9 | 0.0 | 70,453 | 72,879 | 3.4 | 3.8 | 4.4 | 0.6 |
| MINI | 1,446 | 1,221 | -15.6 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 | 5,294 | 5,199 | -1.8 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| Mitsubishi | 1,515 | 929 | -38.7 | 0.4 | 0.2 | -0.2 | 6,301 | 4,321 | -31.4 | 0.3 | 0.3 | 0.0 |
| Nissan | 20,156 | 19,194 | -4.8 | 4.7 | 4.3 | -0.4 | 95,650 | 70,075 | -26.7 | 5.2 | 4.2 | -1.0 |
| Other | 985 | 2,701 | 174.2 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.4 | 3,517 | 5,491 | 56.1 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 0.1 |
| Porsche | 3,463 | 4,558 | 31.6 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 0.2 | 17,130 | 14,940 | -12.8 | 0.9 | 0.9 | 0.0 |
| Ram | 10,888 | 7,880 | -27.6 | 2.6 | 1.8 | -0.8 | 49,343 | 37,794 | -23.4 | 2.7 | 2.3 | -0.4 |
| Subaru | 17,302 | 16,826 | -2.8 | 4.1 | 3.7 | -0.4 | 66,700 | 63,799 | -4.3 | 3.6 | 3.8 | 0.2 |
| Tesla | 48,038 | 53,141 | 10.6 | 11.3 | 11.8 | 0.5 | 121,080 | 186,711 | 54.2 | 6.5 | 11.2 | 4.7 |
| Toyota | 73,941 | 68,388 | -7.5 | 17.4 | 15.2 | -2.2 | 335,587 | 289,304 | -13.8 | 18.1 | 17.3 | -0.8 |
| Volkswagen | 8,388 | 9,050 | 7.9 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 0.0 | 44,471 | 33,537 | -24.6 | 2.4 | 2.0 | -0.4 |
| Volvo | 2,913 | 3,141 | 7.8 | 0.7 | 0.7 | 0.0 | 14,547 | 11,394 | -21.7 | 0.8 | 0.7 | -0.1 |
| Source: AutoCount data from Experian. |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

The table above shows new light vehicle (car and light truck) registrations in California. Figures are shown for the First Quarters of 2022 and 2023, and annual totals for 2021 and 2022. Vehicle registrations are recorded based on when the vehicle title information is processed by the state, which typically occurs after the vehicle is sold. The top ten ranked brands in each category are shaded yellow.

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BREAKDOWN OF RETAIL AND FLEET MARKETS
California Fleet Market Posted Big Increase in First Quarter of This Year


Data sourced from Experian Automotive.

REGIONAL MARKETS IN CALIFORNIA

## Northern California Market Posted Larger Increase During First Three Months of 2023

San Francisco Bay Area Retail Market was Up by Nearly 10 Percent

| New Retail Light Vehicle Registrations (excluding fleets) YTD thru Mar. |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| North and South California | YTD '22 | YTD '23 | \% chg. |
| Statewide Total | 370,232 | 373,752 | $1.0 \%$ |
| Cars | 117,720 | 115,777 | $-1.7 \%$ |
| Light Trucks | 252,512 | 257,975 | $2.2 \%$ |
| Northern California | 126,601 | 129,940 | $2.6 \%$ |
| Cars | 37,110 | 37,757 | $1.7 \%$ |
| Light Trucks | 89,491 | 92,183 | $3.0 \%$ |
| Southern California | 243,631 | 243,812 | $0.1 \%$ |
| Cars | 80,610 | 78,020 | $-3.2 \%$ |
| Light Trucks | 163,021 | 165,792 | $1.7 \%$ |
| Selected Regional Markets |  |  |  |
| San Francisco Bay | 67,624 | 74,219 | $9.8 \%$ |
| Cars | 21,217 | 22,952 | $8.2 \%$ |
| Light Trucks | 46,407 | 51,267 | $10.5 \%$ |
| LA and Orange Counties | 138,357 | 140,892 | $1.8 \%$ |
| Cars | 47,907 | 46,734 | $-2.4 \%$ |
| Light Trucks | 90,450 | 94,158 | $4.1 \%$ |
| San Diego County | 33,813 | 33,984 | $0.5 \%$ |
| Cars | 9,859 | 9,586 | $-2.8 \%$ |
| Light Trucks | 23,954 | 24,398 | $1.9 \%$ |

Percent Change in New Retail Registrations - YTD ‘23 vs. YTD ‘22


## Comparison of Selected State New Retail Light Vehicle Markets

 Percent Change in New Retail Vehicle Registrations from 2021 to 2022, and from 1Q 2022 to $1 Q 2023$

The graph above provides a comparison of how state new retail vehicle markets performed last year and in the First Quarter of this year. Orange dots show the change from the First Quarter of 2022 to the First Quarter of this year. Orange dots are higher for all markets, reflecting relative improvement in sales early this year compared to results last year. The blue dots on the graph represent the percent change in new vehicle registrations from 2021 to 2022. Data sourced from Experian Automotive.


Electric (BEV) and Plug in Hybrid (PHEV) Share of New Retail Light Vehicle Registrations During 1Q '23


Data sourced from Experian Automotive.

# California Used Vehicle Market Declined in First Quarter of 2023 

Percent Change in New and Used Vehicle Registrations
YTD ‘23 thru Mar. vs. YTD ‘22


New vehicles

3-year-old or newer used vehicles

4- to 6-year-old used vehicles

7 - to 10-year-old used vehicles

Data sourced from Experian Automotive.

THREE KEY TRENDS IN USED VEHICLE MARKET


1. The California used vehicle market declined by 7.8 percent in the first quarter of this year versus a year earlier, while the new vehicle market was up by nearly 6 percent.
2. Used vehicle market should continue to under-perform the new vehicle market for the remainder of the year.
3. As shown on the graph to the left, the 3-year-old or newer market held up relatively well early this year. Used registrations of 3-yearold or newer vehicles improved while registrations for older vehicles moved lower.

USED VEHICLE BRAND MARKET SHARE

## Toyota is Top Seller in California Used Vehicle Market

The graph below shows used light vehicle registrations by brand for two age categories: vehicles less than 4 years old and vehicles $5-8$ years old. Brands are positioned from left to right based on overall market share.

Brand Market Share for Top 15 Selling Brands, by Vehicle Age (YTD '23 thru March)


