

What’s Hot Today:

► China Auto Industry – Momentum sustained into August

Strong sales recorded in August: production reached 2.82mn units and sales hit 2.85mn units, up 8.7% and 10.1% MoM respectively, with both exceeding YoY 10%. New energy vehicle (NEV) production and sales both surpassed 1.39mn units, up 25% YoY, while penetration of NEV climbed back to 48.8%. Auto exports grew to a further 611K units (MoM +6.2%, YoY +19.6%). Overall, most automakers achieved moderate MoM growth.

Rank	Company Name	August Sales (k units)	MoM	YoY	Jan-Aug Sales (k units)	YoY	Market Share	Price Range (RMB)
1	BYD	374	9%	0%	2864	23%	13.6%	64k-1.8mn
2	SAIC	363	8%	41%	2754	18%	13.1%	74-419.9k
3	Geely	250	5%	38%	1897	47%	9.0%	30-229.8k
4	Changan	234	11%	25%	1800	6%	8.5%	47-350k
5	GAC	136	14%	-8%	1010	-12%	4.8%	100-300k
6	GWM	116	11%	22%	790	6%	3.7%	70-700k
7	Leap Motor	57	14%	88%	329	136%	1.6%	60-205.8k
8	Huawei	40	-2%	0%	235	n/a	1.1%	230-569.8k
9	XPeng	38	3%	169%	272	252%	1.3%	120-419.8k
10	Xiaomi	36	20%	177%	216	n/a	1.2%	216-529.9k
11	NIO	31	49%	55%	166	30%	0.8%	120-808k
12	Li Auto	29	-7%	-41%	263	-9%	1.2%	250-559.8k

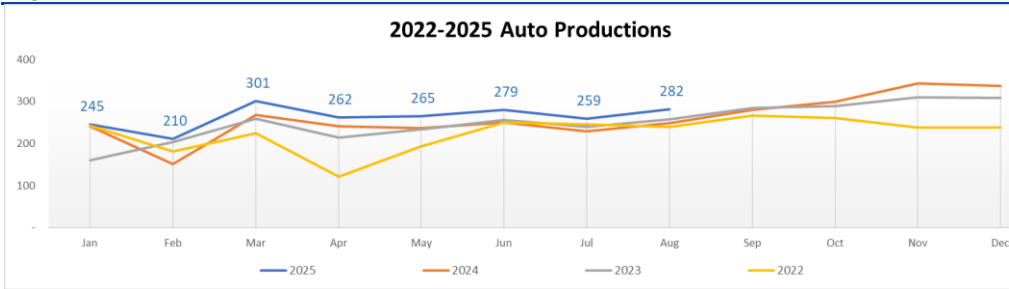
Traditional Chinese OEMs sustained steady growth: BYD's monthly sales reached 374k units (MoM +9% and YoY 0%), with cumulative sales this year hitting 2.8mn units and YoY +23%. Its exports sales maintained strength to exceed 80k units. Geely and Great Wall Motors both demonstrated strong growth. Geely sold 250k units (MoM +5%, YoY +38%), with its cumulative sales rising 47% YoY to reach 1.9mn units—among which, the Galaxy series hit a new high of 110K units, surging 173% YoY. Besides, Great Wall Motors delivered 116k units (MoM +11%, YoY +22%), and its cumulative sales increased 6% YoY to 790k units. The WEY brand, supported mainly by its newly launched Gaoshan series and achieved sales of 8k units, soaring 168% YoY.

China & HK Indices		CLOSE	1D	YTD		
HSI		26,545	0.0%	32.3%		
HSCEI		9,472	0.2%	29.9%		
HSCCI		4,126	-3.1%	9.1%		
CSI300		4,501	0.1%	14.4%		
Shanghai A		4,004	-0.3%	-2.5%		
Shanghai B		260	-1.3%	-2.5%		
Shenzhen A		2,586	-0.3%	26.3%		
Shenzhen B		1,342	-1.0%	10.6%		
Key Int'l Indices		CLOSE	1D	YTD		
Dow Jones		46,315	0.4%	8.9%		
S&P 500		6,664	0.5%	13.3%		
Nasdaq		22,631	0.7%	17.2%		
NIKKEI Index		45,667	1.4%	14.4%		
FTSE Index		9,216	-0.1%	12.8%		
CAC Index		7,853	-0.0%	6.4%		
DAX Index		23,639	-0.1%	18.7%		
Commodities		CLOSE	1D	YTD		
GOLD	(US\$/oz.)	3,685	1.1%	40.6%		
STEEL	(US\$/oz.)	2,165	-0.2%	21.2%		
SILVER	(US\$/oz.)	43	3.0%	49.3%		
CRUDE OIL	(US\$/bbl)	62	-1.4%	-12.3%		
COPPER	(US\$/oz.)	9,989	-0.1%	13.9%		
ALUMINIUM	(US\$/oz.)	2,671	-0.4%	4.7%		
PLATINUM	(US\$/oz.)	1,408	1.6%	54.7%		
ZINC	(US\$/oz.)	2,889	-1.9%	-3.0%		
WHEAT	(US\$/bu)	522	-0.3%	-5.6%		
CORN	(US\$/bu)	424	0.1%	-4.6%		
SUGAR	(US\$/lb)	N/A	N/A			
SOYBEAN	(US\$/bu)	1,025	-1.2%	-0.3%		
PVC	(US\$/t.)	N/A	N/A	-12.2%		
CRB		298	-1.5%	3.0%		
BDI				121.0%		
Exchange Rates						
	USD	HKD	EUR	JPY	CHF	RMB
USD		7.775	0.851	147.950	0.796	7.118
HKD	0.129		0.110	19.032	10.232	0.916
EUR	1.175	9.133		173.810	1.070	8.362
JPY	0.007	5.254	0.575		0.538	0.048
CHF	1.257	9.772	1.070	185.983		8.949
RMB	0.140	1.092	0.120	20.788	0.112	
Market Sentiment		CURRENT		5D		
CDS Monitor - USD SR 5Y						
Greece				N/A	N/A	
Ireland				83	-2.4%	
Italy				139	-0.6%	
Portugal				207	-0.0%	
Spain				108	0.3%	
VIX				15	4.7%	
Source: Bloomberg						

NEV players are leveraging new models to carve up new growth drivers: Leapmotor kept its lead among new players and achieved a new-high of 57k units (MoM +14%, YoY +88%). XPeng launched the new P7 model, and its overall sales reached 38k units (MoM +3%, YoY +169%), while its cumulative sales jumped 2.5x to reach 272K units. NIO delivered 31k units, increasing 50% both MoM and YoY. The monthly growth was mostly contributed by the new ONVO L90 model which made a delivery of 10k in the first month of debut. Xiaomi Auto and Huawei AITO each delivered 38k and 40k respectively. However, Li Auto’s sales declined both YoY and MoM, with only 29k units sold, partly due to the impact of new models launched by competitors.

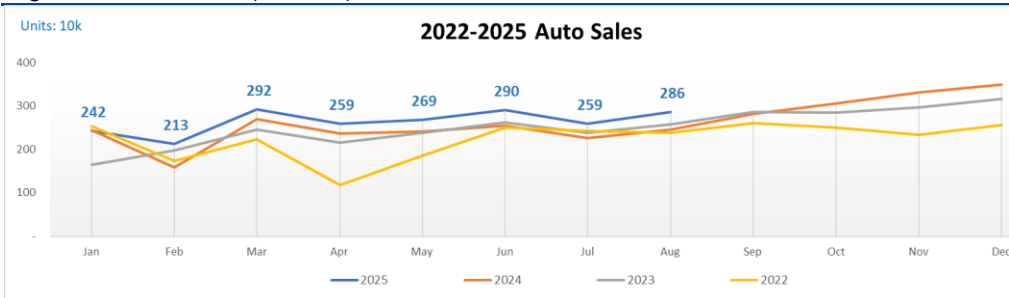
Our views: China's auto industry maintained a steady momentum with NEV players showing remarkable performances with their new models. They have been taking up significant market share from the German and Japanese automakers. They are also competing among themselves in terms of product features to pressure peers. As a result, many automakers are now using multiple product lines to broaden the competitive landscape and seeking new revenue drivers. As such, we believe NEV makers with promising product pipelines be on the upper hand. For instance, Li Auto (2015 HK, HK\$100.70, HK\$215.6bn) which will have the new pure electric model i6 scheduled to launch later this month. The counter is trading at 0.83x EV/Revenue for FY25E. (Research Department)

Fig 1: Auto Productions Volume (10K units)



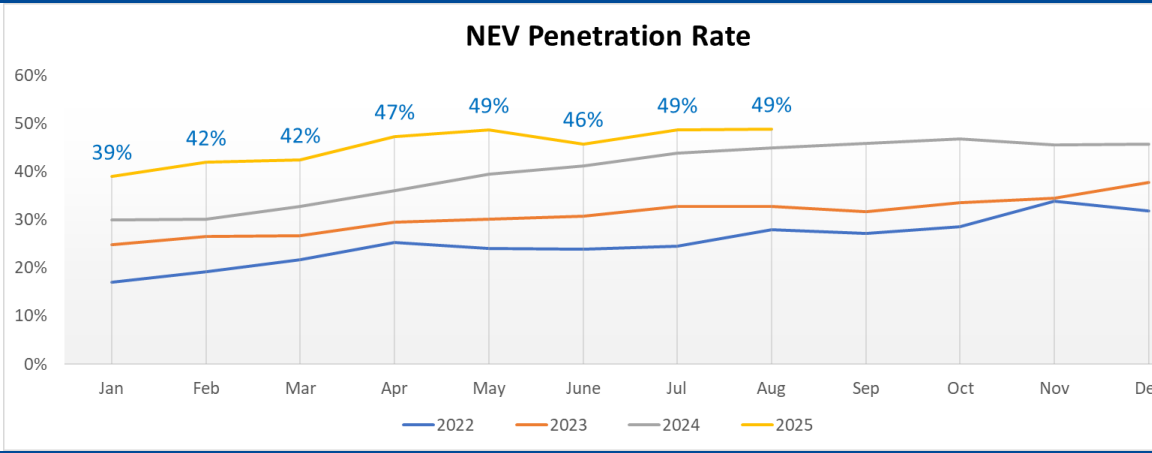
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Fig 2: Auto Sales Volume (10K units)



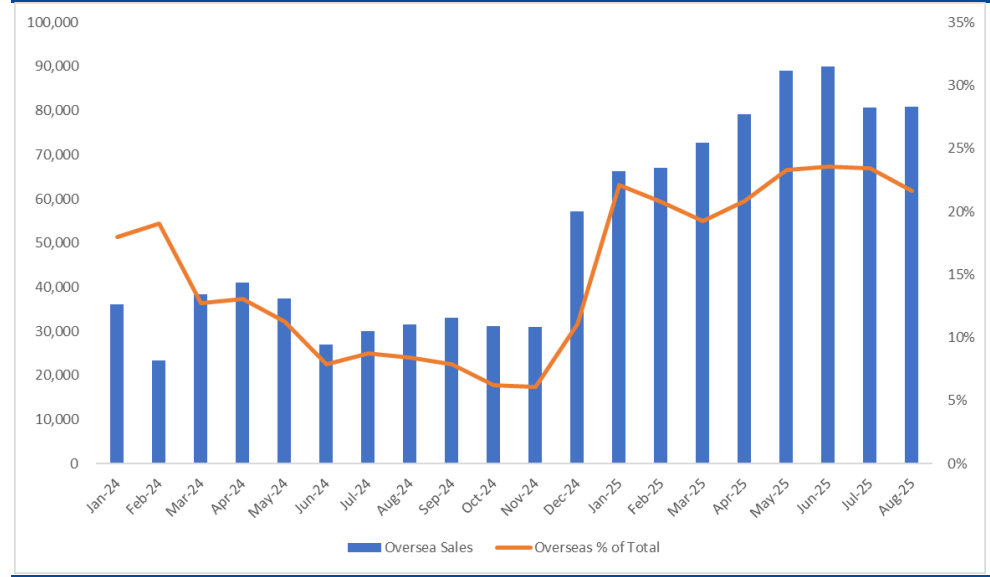
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Fig 3: New Energy Vehicle Penetration Rate



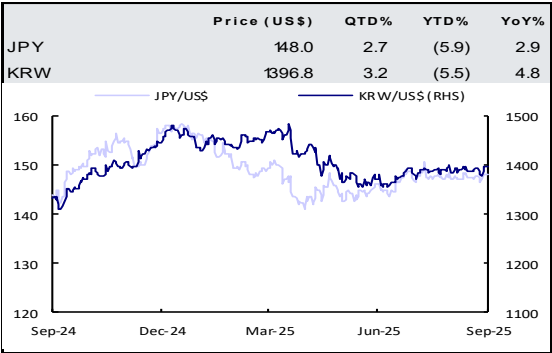
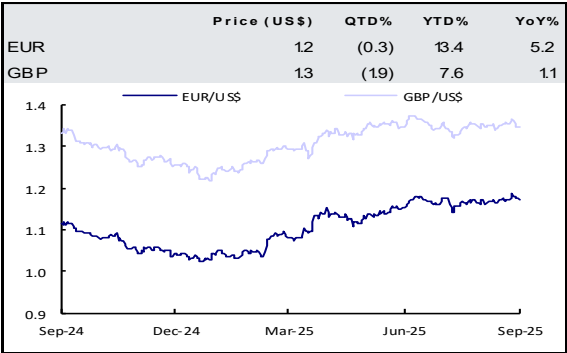
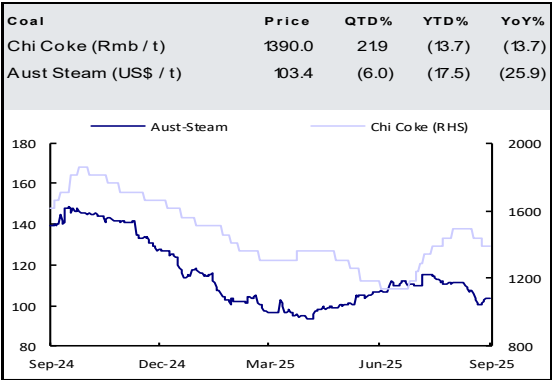
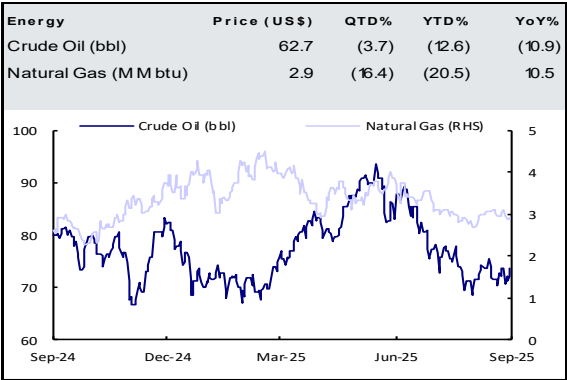
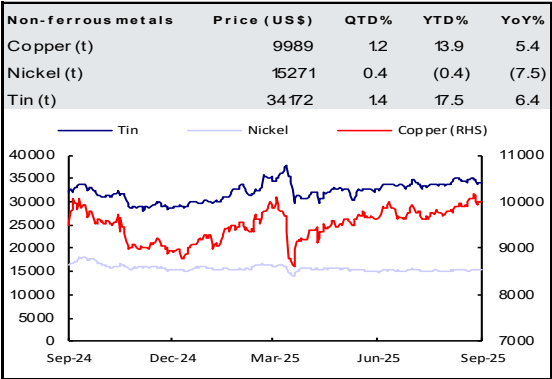
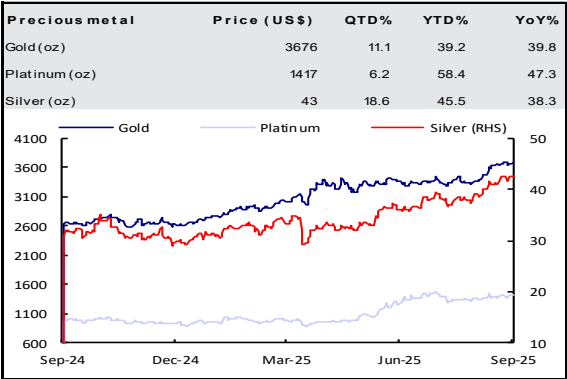
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Fig 4: BYD Overseas Sales Volume



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Market Watch – Major Commodities and Currencies



Source: Bloomberg

US Economic Calendar

Indicators	Freq	Obs Date	Expected Release Date
New home Sales	MoM		24-Sep-25
Initial Jobless Claims	WoW		25-Sep-25
Wholesale Inventories	MoM		25-Sep-25
Existing Home Sales	MoM		25-Sep-25
Durable Goods Orders	MoM		25-Sep-25
GDP	QoQ		25-Sep-25
Personal Income & Spending	MoM		26-Sep-25
Consumer Confidence	MoM		30-Sep-25
ISM Manufacturing PMI	MoM		1-Oct-25
Factory Orders	MoM		2-Oct-25
Employment Report	MoM		3-Oct-25
Trade Balance	MoM		7-Oct-25
CPI	MoM		15-Oct-25
PPI	MoM		16-Oct-25
Business Inventories	MoM		16-Oct-25
Retail Sales	MoM		16-Oct-25
Industrial Production	MoM		17-Oct-25
Housing Starts / Building Permits	MoM		17-Oct-25
Auto Sales	MoM		

China Economic Calendar

Indicators	Freq	Obs Date	Expected Release Date
PMI Manufacturing	MoM		30-Sep-25
Foreign Exchange Reserves	QoQ		7-Oct-25
Money Supply - M2	MoM		10-Oct-25
Trade Balance	MoM		13-Oct-25
PPI	MoM		15-Oct-25
CPI	MoM		15-Oct-25
Retail Sales	MoM		20-Oct-25
Industrial Production	MoM		20-Oct-25
GDP	YoY		20-Oct-25

Hong Kong Economic Calendar

Indicators	Freq	Obs Date	Expected Release Date
CPI	MoM		22-Sep-25
Trade Balance	MoM		25-Sep-25
Money Supply - M2	MoM		30-Sep-25
Retail Sales	MoM		2-Oct-25
PMI	MoM		6-Oct-25
Foreign Currency Reserve	MoM		8-Oct-25
Unemployment Rate	MoM		20-Oct-25
GDP	QoQ		31-Oct-25
Producer Prices Index	QoQ		15-Dec-25
Industrial Production	QoQ		15-Dec-25
Composite Interest Rate	MoM		

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