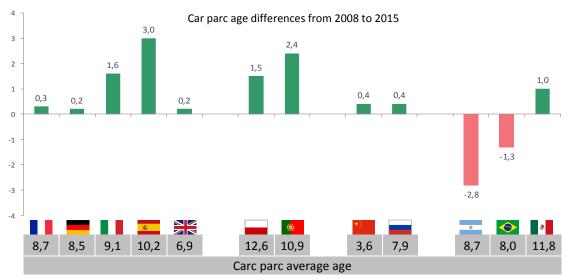
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Differences in the automotive aftermarket around the world

Everybody knows a lot of differences exist in this gigantic world. We all are aware of the cultural distance between two countries, also applied to the automotive aftermarket. During the last 8 years, the car age has changed in opposite directions depending on the country.

The area that has suffered the highest increase of car age is the European, with Spain in the lead: Spanish cars has grown from 7,2 years old in 2008 to 10,2 in 2015, 3 years older. In the same way, Portugal with 2,4 years more and Italy and Poland 1,6 and 1,5 respectively. At the other side of the Atlantic, Mexico has increased 1 year its car age.



In the opposite direction, South America has examples like Argentina with a renovation of the car parc by 2,8 years younger than in 2008. Brazil's car age has decreased more than one year as well.

Other countries maintain constant its car age like France, Germany and United Kingdom in Europe; and Russia and China in Asia. Remark that car age of China is 3,6, the youngest without any doubt among the mentioned countries.

An important issue nowadays is how the driver gets involved in the maintenance of his car. In most of the countries, people carry on their cars to some service provider, but not in the same proportion.

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As we can see above, China, Brazil or Italy are the countries where most of the operations of the car are delegated.

Alternatively, the rate of do-it-yourself is a good point to understand the driver behaviour. Countries like France, Poland or Russia have suffered a fall around -10 points from 2010 to 2015 on its rate of do-it but still being the countries with the highest figures.

On the other side, Spain escalated 4 points or United Kingdom more than 2 points but its rate of do-it is about 10% yet.

