

SAIC Volkswagen Joint Venture vehicle plant in Urumqi

Facts, figures & data (status as of Nov 2023)

Operator

SAIC-Volkswagen (Xinjiang) Automotive Co., Ltd.
100 percent subsidiary of the SAIC Volkswagen joint venture

Year of foundation/contract duration

5/2012 Laying of foundation stone - contract term for the plant until 2029

Plant

Production areas: Paint shop (closed until further notice), body shop (closed until further notice), assembly.

Plant development

02/2013 Start of Production ("SOP") of the Santana model in SKD production
(SKD = Semi-Knocked-Down)
12/2014 Start of CKD production (CKD = Completely Knocked Down)
From 2020 Reduction in production due to corona-related lockdowns and slower market development (incl. closure of paint shop and body shop)

Capacity

Maximum: up to 50,000 vehicles p.a.
Currently: **No** production; only technical commissioning of approx. 10,000 vehicles p.a. (activities such as chassis adjustment, electrical commissioning, calibration of driving assistance systems, leak test, open road tests, quality acceptance)

Employees as of Nov 2023

Total number: 197 currently (max. number of employees: approx. 650 in the years 2015-2019)
Minorities: 23.9 percent of employees belong to ethnic minorities (incl. Uyghurs)

All employees have an employment contract with the joint venture (no agency contracts) and have been employed at the plant for more than 4 years; 76% thereof between 8-10 years.

Products / Models

The Tharu, Lavida, Passat and Teramont models are currently being delivered.

Distribution

The vehicles are delivered directly to dealers in the region.

Suppliers

The plant has no suppliers from / in the region.