

Estimated that Leather Seats will be fitted in 3.1 Million European vehicles by 2007.

(PRWEB) October 9, 2004 -- Leather continues to enjoy a good image among consumers and is regarded as a luxury item, while many vehicle manufacturers agree that leather allows differentiation and is also a profitable option. It is estimated that Leather seats are fitted to 1.84 million vehicles a year representing 11.3% of the region \Box s total output, and this figure is forecasted to rise to 3.1m vehicles in 2007 for a penetration level of 16.5%.

The study provides:

An assessment of the volume of leather used for seating

- Leather penetration by vehicle segment
- European fitment rates by supplier and model with production volumes

Key Growth Opportunities particularly for:

- Imitation leather
- Partial leather

Forecast to 2007 $\hat{A} \square$ based on vehicle production forecasts by JD Power-LMC Automotive Forecasting Services

Supplier Profiles

Companies mentioned in this report include:

- Alcantara
- Audi
- Bader Leder
- Bentley
- BMW
- Bridge of Weir
- Couro Azul
- Eagle Ottawa
- Eybl
- Faurecia
- Ford
- General Motors
- Gerber Technology
- IUV
- Jaguar
- Kontrollhudar International
- Land Rover
- Leather Xchange
- Mercedes-Benz
- MG Rover



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