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China's machinery industry will have strong momentum to improve both quantity and quality

The added value of large-scale machinery enterprises grew by 8.2% year-on-year, with most major products seeing output increases. Supported by the "two important" and "two new" policies, production and sales outperformed 2024. Of 122 major products monitored, 85 saw year-on-year growth, 13 more than the previous year. The growth rate of major indicators for the whole year is expected to be approximately 5.5%. **(Xinhua Net)**

China's automobile production and sales will hit a record high in 2025

In 2025, China's auto production and sales reached 34.531 million and 34.4 million units, up 10.4% and 9.4% year-on-year, ranking first globally for 17 consecutive years. New energy vehicle output and sales hit 16.626 million and 16.49 million units, over 12 times the 2020 level, with a 65% average annual growth rate and market penetration rising from 5.4% to 47.9%, according to China Association of Automobile Manufacturers. **(Xinhua Net)**

China's international machinery trade achieved rapid growth in 2025 reaching a new high

According to data from the China Customs, in 2025, the machinery industry completed a total import and export of goods trade of US\$1.27 trillion, a year-on-year increase of 8.4%, of which export volume was US\$986.82 billion, an increase of 13.5%. Exports to countries co-building the "Belt and Road", RCEP member states, the EU and ASEAN increased by 24.7%, 18.4%, 17.1% and 23.4% respectively year-on-year. **(Xinhua Net)**

China's mechanical innovation capabilities have been significantly enhanced

By the end of 2025, China's machinery industry had 500+ individual champion companies in the manufacturing industry, 5,000+ "little giant" companies that specialize in new technologies, and 40,000+ small and medium-sized enterprises that specialize in new technologies., with each category accounting for over 30% of the national total, and the echelon of innovation entities is increasingly improving. **(Xinhua Net)**

Construction machinery recovery momentum is steadily released

In 2025, China sold 235,257 excavators (+17.0%), with domestic sales of 118,518 units (+17.9%) and exports of 116,739 units (+16.1%). In January 2026, domestic sales and exports increased simultaneously, and the economic turning point was further confirmed - China sold 18,708 units of various excavators (+49.5%), of which 8,723 units were sold domestically (+61.4%) and 9,985 units were exported (+40.5%). **(Sina Finance)**