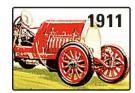
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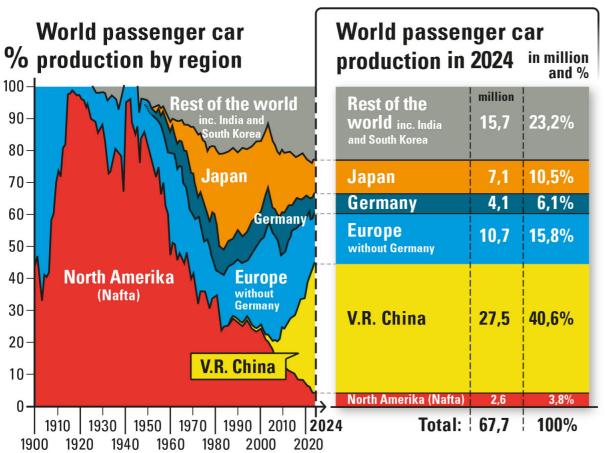












Claim and reality in Germany and China

- → Competitive pressure in the passenger car market in China is enormous: around 130 brands with over 400 electric car models are competing for customers. With over 4 million cars exported (+67%), China has overtaken Japan as the largest car exporting nation for the first time. Chinese brands mainly supply Europe and the ASEAN countries.
- → New suppliers are entering these markets: They hold a 55% market share for battery-powered electric vehicles worldwide, and as much as 85% in China. In Europe, over 60% of electric cars are SUVs, while significantly more smaller models are available in China.
- Germany has made little progress with Fuel Cells or H2 combustion passenger cars; their number has stagnated at about 1,000 for years.

 The number of H2 filling stations is also low, below 100, and decresing. The situation is slightly better for H2 commercial vehicles and buses, but remains marginal.

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