

Best sales in a decade

The European Caravan Federation anticipates strong growth for 2004

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The European Caravan Federation (ECF) announced today that a robust increase in registrations on the European leisure vehicle market during the first ten months of 2004 promises outstanding final figures for the year as a whole. The umbrella European caravan association anticipates a 6.1 percent increase in registrations of leisure vehicles in the European market, to a total of about 195,000 vehicles. According to the ECF, registrations of motor caravans will register a 7.6 percent increase to 71,500 units in 2004, while registrations of caravans will reach 123,500 units, an increase of 5.2 percent.

“Although December figures, and for some markets also those for November are not yet available, it seems certain that 2004 will turn out to be the best year for the European caravanning industry in a decade,” noted Hans-Karl Sternberg, Secretary General of the European Caravan Federation (ECF).

Great Britain, The Netherlands and Germany will probably turn out to be the strongest markets for caravans for the year as a whole, while Germany will be the likely leader in the motor caravan sector, followed by France and Italy. Final 2004 registrations statistics for caravans and motor caravans in Europe are expected to be available in early March of this year.

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