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Notable HEV inroads in Europe, buoyed in no small measure by incentives

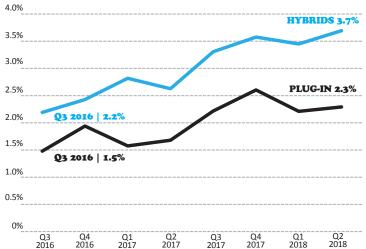
For Europe's green movement, which not so long ago still believed that comparatively simple Prius-type petrol-electric hybrids (HEVs) could save our planet from overheating, there is good news and bad news.

The good news is that HEVs have made notable inroads into West Europe's new car market accompanied by robust gains from both pure electric cars (BEVs) and plug-in-hybrids (PHEVs). The bad news, at least for the average income tax payer, is that these BEV and PHEV gains were propped up in large measure by direct and indirect government subsidies. Also, AID research reveals that some, if not all of the outwardly impressive sales inroads made this year from HEVs, were helped in no small part by significant financial manufacturer incentives.

This first half, at a time when disillusioned owners of blackened diesels continued to switch to petrol-powered cars in droves, West Europe's sales of petrol-electric hybrids (HEVs) easily outperformed the overall car market. In fact,

W-EUROPE HYBRID BOOST

W-Europe Hybrid* & Plug-in** sales mixes Q3 2016 - Q2 2018 (*includes MHEV | **PHEV + BEV)



SOURCE:ACEA/AID



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