# **Auto Sector - Overweight**

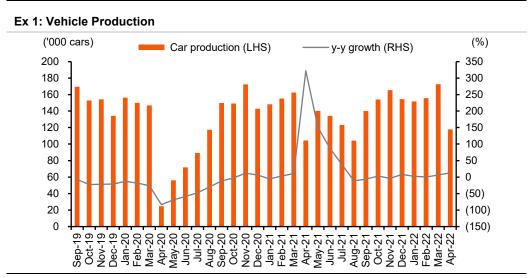
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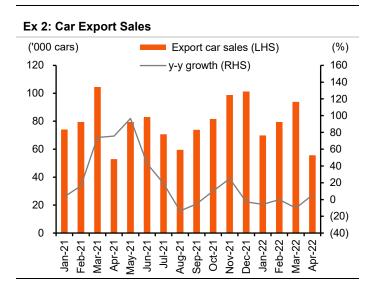
### Decent April auto production, as we'd expected

- Auto production grew 13% y-y, driven mainly by pick-ups
- Domestic sales grew 9% y-y and export sales rose 5% y-y
- We expect better production momentum in 2H22F
- SAT is our top pick
- April 2022 production of new vehicles grew by 13% y-y but fell 32% m-m on the seasonal impact to 117,786 units (78% of 2019's level). The improvement y-y came from production for the domestic market (50% of total production), which grew 32% y-y driven by both passenger cars (+43% y-y) and domestic pick-ups (+26% y-y). Meanwhile, production for exports (50% of total production) dropped by 1.7% y-y in April due to chip shortage issues for passenger cars (-21% y-y) while exports of pick-ups still saw some growth at +6% y-y. 4M22 total production accounts for 33% of our projection. We expect better momentum h-h and y-y in 2H22.
- As for sales, domestic sales volume in April improved by 9% y-y and fell 9% y-y (but dropped 27% m-m on seasonality) to 63,427 units (74% of 2019's level). 4M22 domestic sales grew by 20% y-y and accounts for 30% of our full-year forecast. Export sales recovered by 5% y-y (but dropped 41% m-m on seasonality) to 55,696 units (83% of 2019's level). 4M22 registered a drop of 4% y-y and accounts for 34% of our full-year forecast.
- STANLY (BUY; TP Bt270) is more exposed to passenger cars at 35% of revenue vs. our top pick SAT (BUY; TP Bt27) at 7%.



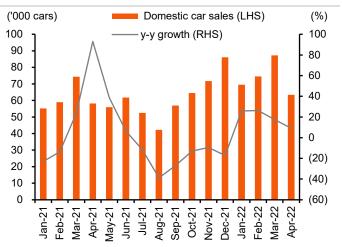
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Ex 3: Domestic Car Sales



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