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Some previous generation versions of the Vauxhall Corsa are being recalled.

The 1.4 Turbo versions run to 2767 built between 2006 and 2014 and it's to inspect and modify the vacuum pump relay box which can catch fire if water gets in, as highlighted in a BBC Watchdog report this week.

Almost half of firms (44%) believe the UK's infrastructure has improved over the past five years, but only a quarter (27%) think it will pick up in the next five years.

Two thirds (64%) suspect it will hamper the country's international competitiveness in the coming decades, according to the 2016 CBI/AECOM Infrastructure Survey.

Irish, Cypriot and Maltese car buyers are now ordering UK models to take advantage of the falling £.

They can save hundreds of pounds even after paying shipping and customs duties.

Martin Leach, a former Ford Motor executive who led the automaker's European unit and also ran Maserati before taking a top position at electric carmaker NextEV, has died at 59.

Leach joined NextEV, a maker of high-tech hypercars with headquarters in Shanghai and San Jose, California, as co-president in 2015 and ran its racing team, which won the first Formula E series title for electric-powered vehicles in London in 2015.

Mazda and Toyota are discussing extending their EV ventures.



They already work together in Mexico but the new discussions could see collaboration widened into connected car systems.

Almost 10,000 drivers have been caught twice for being distracted while driving, including using a mobile phone, in the last four years.

More than 600 people were caught three times and one driver five times, data from a BBC Radio 5 live freedom of information request to the DVLA shows.

Police in China are punishing drivers who dazzle other road users.

The offenders are forced to stare into the full glare of headlights for a minute and get a fine of £36.

Toyota continues to dominate global car sales with one-in-ten sales worldwide at 6.23M in nine-months.

Volkswagen was second with 4.84M and Ford next 4.66M but Renault was the most improved, up 14.8% to 1.73M in eighth position.