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Houston new vehicle sales rose 4.7 percent this December compared to December '18. Dealers sold 23,396 new vehicles, up 1,042 vehicles from December '18, according to TexAuto Facts, published by InfoNation, Inc. of Sugar Land. Truck/SUV sales went up 2.2 percent and car sales increased 11.2 percent.

Year-to-date vehicle sales are down 3.6 percent relative to last year. The bulk of the decline is due to lower car sales in the region.

The average monthly retail price for a new vehicle was $\$ 38,312$ in December '19, down 3.8 percent from '19's price peak of $\$ 39,816$ in January. This 3.8 percent price drop reflects price lower demand since the beginning of the year despite dealerships offering lower interest rates to consumers.

Vehicle Sales, 12-Month Total, Houston Metro Area


Source: TexAuto Facts Report by InfoNation

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