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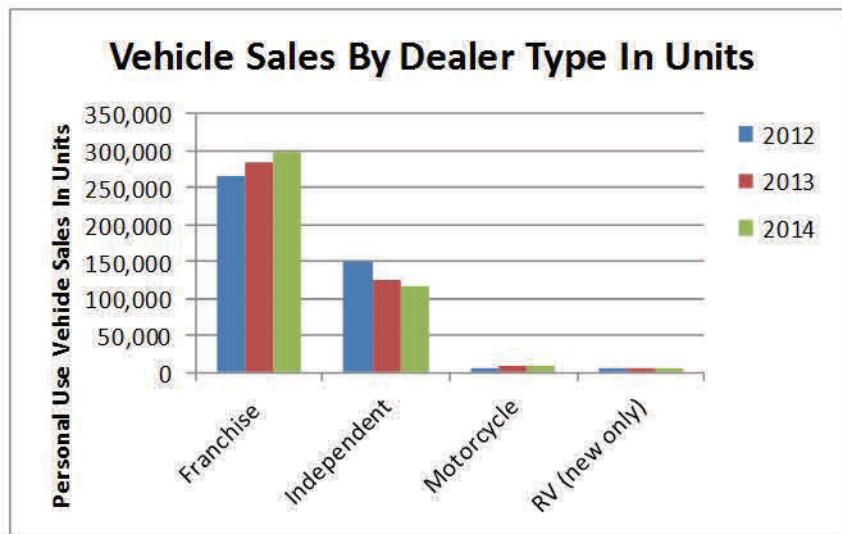


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2015 VSA Annual Report Available Online

The Annual Report for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2015, is now available on the VSA website. The report highlights the activities and achievements across all departments. Also included in the report are sales statistics showing B.C. vehicles sales by dealer type.



The increase in sales created a busy year for both the licensed vehicle sales industry and the VSA. Salesperson applications saw a significant increase of 28% over last year, bringing active salesperson licences above 7,200 at year end, up from 6,890 the prior year. Growth in dealer licences was more modest.

Fiscal Year	2015	2014	2013
New dealer applications	95	76	104
Dealer licences at year end	1416	1402	1420
New salesperson applications	1637	1282	1238
Salesperson licences at year end	7205	6890	6744

As in previous years, the audited financial statements are available as a stand-alone document.

[VSA 2015 Annual Report](#)

[2014-2015 Audited Financial Statements](#)

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Copying Driver's Licences Still a Concern

The [March 2, 2015 Bulletin](#) outlined directions given by the B.C. Privacy Commissioner to dealers on how to handle personal information. To recap:

- Inform customers about the collection of their personal information
- Collect only needed information
- Do not collect unneeded information, such as the following information on drivers licences
 - ◊ weight, height and gender
 - ◊ picture
 - ◊ eye and hair colour
 - ◊ date of birth
 - ◊ personal health number
- Limit electronic collection to needed information only
- Get consent from customers for the use of their information
- Secure all personal information
- Destroy information that is no longer needed

The B.C. Privacy Commissioner noted their office would start checking dealers in or around June of this year for compliance with these directions. It is recommended that dealers confirm their privacy practices are in line with the *Personal Information Protection Act (PIPA)*. The Privacy Commissioner's directions are located in her December 23, 2014 letter located at this link [\[Commissioner's Letter\]](#)

Bill 18 Receives Royal Assent

Having received Royal Assent on May 14, sooner than expected, the amendments to the *Motor Dealer Act* detailed in [VSA Bulletin #8 of May 7, 2015](#) are now in force. Provisions include a 60-day limitation period to seek judicial review of a decision of the Registrar and the Motor Dealer Customer Compensation Fund Board. Other changes were outlined in the [May 7, 2015 Bulletin](#).