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European Leasing Shows Steady but Moderate Expansion in First Half of 2025

Brussels, 18 November 2025 – Leaseurope, the trade association representing the European leasing and automotive rental industries, has released European leasing market figures for the first half of 2025. These numbers suggest that new business growth persisted in H1 2025, though at a more gradual pace.

European Leasing Market Maintains Its Momentum Despite Slower Pace in H1 2025

The results of Leaseurope's 2025 Biannual Statistical Survey¹ show that the market kept growing in the first half of 2025, but at a slower pace, partly due to companies remaining cautious amid uncertainty and focusing on careful spending. Total leasing volumes in the first half of 2025 amounted to nearly €203 billion, up by 2.2% from the same period in 2024. Vehicle leasing performed well, with new business rising 5.9%, while equipment leasing saw a decline of -8.7%. Real estate leasing recorded a strong overall increase of 17.0%, but trends varied widely across members, with some reporting double-digit growth and others seeing significant declines.

Commenting on the figures, Leaseurope's Director-General, Richard Knubben said *"In the first half of 2025, the European leasing business saw modest growth in new volumes, despite continued uncertainty in the overall environment. Meanwhile, companies invested in equipment and intangible assets at a faster pace than expected. However, according to the latest European Economic Forecast, the outlook for the second half of the year suggests that investment could slow down slightly as companies become more cautious with spending due to higher costs and a tougher global context. Even so, there are signs of steady growth, and planned investment hasn't stopped — it's just becoming more cautious and selective, which means flexible financing options like leasing may continue to play an important role."*

Summary results from the 2025 Biannual Statistical Enquiry are available [here](#).

¹ Figures are based on the results of the Federation's 2025 Biannual Statistical Enquiry of the 27 members in 24 countries reporting leasing data. The activities represented by short term car rental members are not covered by this enquiry.

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About Leaseurope

As a Federation, Leaseurope brings together 46 associations throughout Europe representing either the leasing, long term and/or short term automotive rental industries. The scope of products covered by Leaseurope's members ranges from hire purchase and finance leases to operating leases of all asset types (automotive, equipment and real estate) and also includes the rental of cars, vans and trucks. It is estimated that Leaseurope represents approximately 94% of the European leasing market in 2024. More information on Leaseurope at www.leaseurope.org.

The Member Associations taking part in the 2025 Biannual Statistical Enquiry are: Verband Österreichischer Leasing-Gesellschaften – VÖL (AT), Association Belge des Entreprises de Leasing (BE), Fédération Belge des Loueurs de Véhicules – RENTA (BE), Bulgarian Association for Leasing (BG), Czech Leasing and Finance Association (CZ), Croatian Chamber of Economy - Association of Leasing Companies (HR), Bundesverband Deutscher Leasing-Unternehmen (DE), Finans og Leasing (DK), Estonian Leasing Association (EE), Asociación Española de Leasing y Renting (ES), Association française des Sociétés Financières (FR), Fédération Nationale des Loueurs de Véhicules (FR), Association of Greek Leasing Companies (GR), Hungarian Leasing Association (HU), Associazione Italiana Leasing (IT), Latvian Lessors Association (LV), Association Professionnelle des Sociétés de Financement (MA), Nederlandse Vereniging van Leasemaatschappijen (NL), Vereniging van Nederlandse Autoleasemaatschappijen (NL), Finansieringsselskaperes Forening (NO), Polish Leasing Association (PL), Associação Portuguesa de Leasing, Factoring e Renting (PT), Leasing Committee of the Banking Association of Slovenia (SI), AFINA regrouping Finansbolagens Förening and Svenska Bankföreningen (SE), Association of Leasing Companies of the Slovak Republic (SK), Turkish Association of Financial Institutions (TR), Finance and Leasing Association (UK).