VOLKSWAGEN

GROUP CHINA







Production: over 4 million vehicles

Models:

SAIC VOLKSWAGEN

Volkswagen: Polo Family (Polo*), New Santana Family (New Santana*, Gran Santana*), Lavida Family (New Lavida*, New Gran Lavida*, Lavida*, e-Lavida*), New Lamando*, New Passat*, Passat PHEV*, PHIDEON*, Teramont*, Teramont X*, Tiguan (Tiguan Silk Road*, New Tiguan L*, Tiguan L PHEV*), Tharu*, T-Cross*, New Touran L*

ŠKODA: New OCTAVIA Family (New OCTAVIA*, OCTAVIA Combi*), 2019 RAPID*, 2019 RAPID Spaceback*, SUPERB*, KAMIQ*, KAROQ*, KODIAQ*, KODIAQ GT*

FAW-Volkswagen

Volkswagen: TAYRON*, TAYRON R-Line*, T-Roc*, CC*, Magotan*, Sagitar Family (New Sagitar*, Sagitar R-Line*), Golf Family (New Golf*, New Golf GTI*, New Golf R-Line*, New Golf Sportsvan*, e-Golf*), C-

TREK*, Bora (New Bora*, Bora Classic*, e-Bora*)

Audi: Q2L*, A3 Limousine*, A3 Sportback*, Q3*, A4L*, Q5L*, A6L (A6LC8*, A6LPHEV*)

JETTA*: VA3*, VS5*
JAC-Volkswagen
SOL*: E20X*

Employees: over 100,000 (10/2019)

Ownership Structure of Joint Ventures in China:

SAIC VOLKSWAGEN: 50% SAIC, 40% Volkswagen Aktiengesellschaft (incl. ŠKODA AUTO a.s. and AUDI AG), 10% Volkswagen (China) Investment Company Ltd.

FAW-Volkswagen: 60% FAW, 25% Volkswagen Aktiengesellschaft, 5% AUDI AG, 10% Volkswagen (China) Investment Company Ltd.

JAC Volkswagen: 50% Anhui Jianghuai Automobile Group Corp., Ltd. (JAC) and 50% Volkswagen (China) Investment Company Ltd.

*The vehicle is not sold in Europe.

Production

Three joint ventures, SAIC VOLKSWAGEN Automotive Co., Ltd.(SAIC VOLKSWAGEN), FAW-Volkswagen Automotive Co., Ltd.(FAW-Volkswagen) and JAC Volkswagen Automotive Co., Ltd. (JAC Volkswagen), produce Volkswagen Group brand models, including Volkswagen passenger car, Audi, ŠKODA, Jetta and Sihao, in China, for the Chinese market. Engines, transmissions, chassis components, battery and seat systems are also produced in China. In March, 2019, FAW-Volkswagen officially unveiled the new Jetta brand, as well as three new models in Jetta Brand. In September, 2019, the first JAC Volkswagen model, electrical SUV E20X, was launched in Chinese market.

Volkswagen Group China has established 33 plants in Shanghai, Changchun, Dalian, Nanjing, Yizheng, Chengdu, Foshan, Ningbo, Changsha, Urumqi, Hefei and Tianjin to manufacture vehicles and components in China. By the end of October, 2019, Volkswagen Group China has more than 100,000 employees in China, including those of joint ventures. Annual production capacity is set to grow from the current figure of about 4 million to around 5 million units in 2020.

Investments

Together with our joint venture partners, Volkswagen is reinvesting profits from China operations into new production facilities and local product development. The Volkswagen Group initiated the biggest transformation process in its history with "TOGETHER − Strategy 2025" announced in 2016, aiming to become a globally leading provider of sustainable mobility. Together with partners, the Group plans to invest over €4 billion during 2019 in e-mobility and the digitalization of the model range, in new technologies and mobility services.

In the following years, Volkswagen Group China is committed to support new models with a specific focus on our SUV & NEV offensive and continuing to invest in environmental friendly technology, green production and capacity expansion.

Corporate structure of Volkswagen in China

The Volkswagen Group has three joint ventures in China, which are SAIC VOLKSWAGEN Automotive Co., Ltd. (SAIC VOLKSWAGEN), and FAW-Volkswagen Automotive Co., Ltd.(FAW-Volkswagen) and JAC Volkswagen Automotive Co., Ltd..

The contract for SAIC VOLKSWAGEN was signed between SAIC Motor Corporation Limited (SAIC Motor), Volkswagen Aktiengesellschaft and Volkswagen (China) Investment Company Ltd. (VCIC) in 1984. Official operations of SAIC VOLKSWAGEN started in 1985. In 2002, Volkswagen and SAIC extended the joint venture contract for SAIC VOLKSWAGEN until 2035. SAIC VOLKSWAGEN is renamed from Shanghai Volkswagen Automotive Co., Ltd. into SAIC VOLKSWAGEN Automotive Co., Ltd. (SAIC VOLKSWAGEN), effective from December 7, 2015.

Following a contract signing in 1990, FAW-Volkswagen Automotive Co., Ltd.(FAW-Volkswagen) was officially established in 1991 as a joint venture between Volkswagen Aktiengesellschaft, AUDI AG and FAW Group Co., Ltd.. On October 10, 2014, Volkswagen and its joint venture partner FAW extended the FAW-Volkswagen contract until 2041.

In 2017, Volkswagen signed a joint venture agreement with the Chinese automaker Anhui Jianghuai Automobile Group Corp., Ltd. (JAC). The joint venture is focusing on the research and development, production and marketing of NEV vehicles and mobility services. The joint venture agreement has an initial term of 25 years.

Management

On November 16, 2018, the Supervisory Board of Volkswagen Aktiengesellschaft assigned responsibility for the China Board of Management Division to Dr. Herbert Diess, the Chairman of the Board of Management, in addition to his other duties. At the same time, the Volkswagen Group reordered its management structure for the China region. Dr. Stephan Wöllenstein, Member of the Board of Management of the Volkswagen Passenger Cars Brand, CEO of Volkswagen China Passenger Cars Brand, manages the business operations of the Group in China as Chief Executive Officer. His leadership at Volkswagen Passenger Cars Brand for China and all associated activities remain unchanged.

Environment – Sustainable Production of Volkswagen in China

Environmental protection and sustainability is one of our key strategies, therefore, at the top of our priorities are ecofriendly, technological innovations "Made in China" and specifically "Made for China", when it comes to our plants.

All of our vehicle and component plants in China continue to follow and enact the philosophy of green production. We build and outfit our production facilities with advanced environmental technologies adapted to the local conditions, for example, industrial waste heat recovery systems, online energy management systems, photovoltaic power generation systems and vacuum heat treating systems.

We also continue to remodel our existing plants and upgrade production technologies, for example, more environmentally friendly natural gas boilers, combined heat & power facilities instead of coal fired boilers, reducing hazardous waste by adding wastewater evaporators, using low VOC (volatile organic compound) content paint, installation of paint shop exhaust incineration systems and LED lighting instead of traditional lighting. Worldwide our Chinese plants are synonymous for outstanding quality and the highest environmental standards.

Sustainable and efficient production is one of our obvious advantages with regards to our competition. Our plants in China follow the Volkswagen Group global environmental standards throughout the whole production process, from pre-production to production and post-production, ensuring that the impact on the environment is minimized during the production of every vehicle and every component.

In order to achieve our goal, a holistic environmental program has been actively pushed for years. Through an online platform and by holding regular environmental meetings, using all our effective know-how, hundreds of measures for using resources more efficiently and reducing emissions across all production sites in China have been collected and implemented.

After the implementation of "Year of Water 2016" and "Year of Waste Reduction 2018", which contributed to a marked improvement in terms of water consumption and waste generation across our plants, in 2019, in line with the newly launched Group Decarbonization Program, we placed special focus on CO2. In order to support the Group's plans for decarbonization and become CO2 neutral by 2050, all our plants each developed their own respective roadmaps to CO2 neutral production.

Aside from promoting green production, both SAIC VOLKSWAGEN and FAW-Volkswagen also promote green logistics to reduce carbon emissions by optimizing their transportation processes.

In 2018, Volkswagen Group China won the "Low-Carbon Model" award from China News Service, in recognition of its outstanding performance in green production and green logistics.

Just like over the past 30 years, Vaolkswagen will remain a driver for China's automotive future with "green" production at all of our plants and with cutting-edge technology, developed and built in China.

Areas of VGC CSR Focus

In 2018, Volkswagen Group China (VGC) added a further RMB 100 million to continue the support for its five major Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programs in Environmental Protection, Sustainable Mobility, Sports Development, Art & Culture, and Poverty Alleviation to encourage all sectors of society to make concerted efforts, contributing to the sustainable development of China's society. To this day, VGC has invested a total of RMB 200 million in Volkswagen Group China ZHIXING CSR Fund.

Environmental Protection

In June 2016, in the presence of Chinese Premier Li Keqiang and German Chancellor Angela Merkel, VGC and the China Environmental Protection Foundation (CEPE) signed a fund cooperation agreement, with the first donation of RMB 10 million in support of the 1,000 Environmental Friendly Teacher Ambassadors Program. The program consists of three stages: the Year of Education, the Year of Creativity and the Year of Change. Through the development of teaching materials, offline in-depth training, courseware design competition, contests in environmental education practice and other forms, the program is created to help teachers gain access to environmental knowledge and teaching approaches, promote tens of thousands of primary and secondary school students to master environmental practices, and facilitate more positive changes in families and communities. This will fuel the sustainable development of Chinese society. As of now, the program has trained and retrained nearly 5,000 teachers, together with near 3000,000 students who have benefitted from the program. Besides, Volkswagen Group China also cooperated with Goethe-Institut, Roots & Shoots and other institutions to carry out environmental education programs, aiming to foster long-lasting environmental and nature awareness among young generations and promote the sustainable development of environmental education in China.

Sustainable Mobility

VGC has focused on road safety for children since 2013. Together with its two joint ventures, SAIC VOLKSWAGEN and FAW-Volkswagen, and 6 group brands, VGC launched the "Protect Childhood, Child Safety First – Volkswagen Group China Child Safety Initiative (CSI)" project. A series of public welfare activities, including educational roadshows, forums and more have been carried out in more than 100 cities across China, affecting more than 100,000 families and over 3 million people.

Working together with the Ministry of Public Safety and the China Automobile & Technology Research Center (CATARC), VGC has supported "The China Child Road Safety & Feasibility Study on the Compulsory Use of Child Passenger Restraint Systems in China" and released the Blue Book on Child Road Safety in China for 3 consecutive years, starting in 2014.

In 2015, Volkswagen Group China officially established the Volkswagen Group China Child Safety Fund in partnership with the China Women's Development Foundation (CWDF). With the fund, they had built the first community-based Child Safety Experience Centers in China, set up the Child Road Safety Public Welfare Platform focusing on "The Experience Center to be the Core", launched the first "Child Traffic-Friendly Community" program in China, and selected the Shuanghe Community of the Chengdu High-tech Industrial Development Zone, where the Volkswagen Child Safety Experience Center in Chengdu is located, as a pilot project. By the end of September 2019, nearly 800,000 families had directly benefited from the program, and indirect benefits had reached 2.4 million.

Sports Development

VGC has been introducing public resources from the VfL Wolfsburg Football School since 2014. It has organized the "Volkswagen-Wolfsburg Junior Football Program", and invited VfL Wolfsburg Youth Training coaches to China to teach, providing opportunities for children in underdeveloped areas in China in terms of competition, exchange, experience, and sharing happiness. Through the use of football as a bridge to promote the cultural exchanges between China and Germany, VGC makes children feel the joy of playing football. So far, more than 3,000 Chinese youths from a dozen cities and regions across the country, including Jinggangshan and Zunyi, have gained skills in German football techniques and practical experiences.

Areas of VGC CSR Focus

In 2015, VGC, in partnership with the China Sports Foundation, established the Volkswagen Group China Junior Football Development Fund. By working closely with the Chinese Football Association, as well as its joint ventures FAW-Volkswagen and SAIC VOLKSWAGEN, and in response to the need for football skills development among young Chinese generations, talent reserves, and youth training systems, VGC also launched five programs: the Volkswagen Junior Football Training Camp, Volkswagen Junior Football Summer Camp, Volkswagen Junior Football Summer Camp in Germany, Volkswagen Junior Football Coaches' Training and Volkswagen Injury Prevention and Nutrition Program. With a focus on the U10 to U12 age groups, the primary targets to support the development of local youth football, VGC invited foreign senior coaches to give players and coaches professional lectures on training strategies and strengthen the coaching ability of Chinese youth coaches. The program aimed to fortify exchanges between China and Germany in culture and sports, establish a sustainable youth football culture, and provide comprehensive and systematic support for the development of Chinese youth football. To date, a total of 5,000 young football players and 365 coaches have benefited directly from the projects, together with 48,000 indirect beneficiaries.

Culture

As an enterprise that has been in China for many years, Volkswagen Group China has always adhered to a people-oriented concept, committing itself to the implementation of CSR in China, and promoting the bilateral exchange between China and Germany. In the field of art and culture, Volkswagen continues to provide the public with high-quality cultural and artistic activities.

In 2015, together with the Yu Deyao Art Museum in Shanghai, Volkswagen Group China officially launched a cultural project to present the world's most popular interactive art installation "Rain House".

While creating more opportunities for the public to experience cultural and artistic projects, the Volkswagen Group actively promotes communication and exchange between China and Germany. In 2016, Volkswagen Group China established the Sino-German Youth Cultural Exchange Fund, giving support to programs that promote the sustainable development of the public and society. The Group also fully supported Germany's premier theater festival, Theatertreffen Berlin, and brought it to China for the first time. As the exclusive mobility partner, Volkswagen Group China supported the Sino-German Youth Communication Celebration Concert in Beijing, and thus opened the China Youth Music Competition-Hummingbird Music Awards. Based on the renowned German model, Jugend Musiziert, the awards aim to provide young Chinese musicians the chance to perform on a national level.

Aimed at engaging the public with music, with a focus on the youth, Volkswagen Group China has cofounded and promoted the "Artistic Engagement Project China (AEP-China)" together with the Shanghai Symphony Orchestra for three consecutive years since 2017. As an innovative cultural project, "AEP-China" focuses on three major aspects: "youth", "the art of music" and "throughout China", striving to inspire people's sense of art with the power of music. Meanwhile, the initiative leverages the artistic and cultural resources of top art and music academies and a group of globally influential artists to promote the development of youth music, culture & art education.

In September, 2017, as a driving force for Sino-German exchange, Volkswagen Group China launched "Deutschland 8 – Deutsche Kunst in China", the large German art exhibition in Beijing. The "Deutschland 8" exhibition gathered Germany's most important artists, featuring a total of nearly 320 works from 55 German artists, and was the largest German art exhibition ever held in China.

In September, 2018, as a follow-up to the "Deutschland 8" exhibition, Volkswagen Group China brought back one of Deutschland 8's highlights, photo-artist Andreas Mühe, for his very first solo exhibition in China. At the same time, Volkswagen Group China worked together with Austria's Karajan Institute to conduct a cross-over sharing session, the "Art x Tech" Panel. A number of pioneers and experts from both the music and tech industries were invited to discuss how the future of mobility and technology connects with art and culture. In commemoration of the 120th anniversary of Deutsche Grammophon, a concert was supported by Volkswagen Group China at the Taimiao (Imperial Ancestral Temple), where Yu Long, a famous conductor, Shanghai Symphony Orchestra and many world-famous musicians participated to deliver a stunning performance. Volkswagen Group China collaborated together with the Yellow Lounge, for another crossover event between classical and modern music.

In 2019, Volkswagen Group China and the Shanghai Symphony Orchestra Cultural Development Foundation founded the "Shanghai Symphony Orchestra Cultural Development Foundation - Volkswagen Fund for Youth's Musical and Artistic Education" to further support "AEP-China" and its five major initiatives, creating more opportunities for young people to experience music, art and culture. The "M.A.P. Class", first created in 2016, is a creative music experience class that integrates drama performances, concerts, music appreciation and interactive games. As a cross-over experience that combines science and technology together, the event has been introduced to five megacities in China, attracting more than 100,000 people. The "Very Young Composers Program" and Youth Music Culture Guangdong (YMCG) committee provide the public with more opportunities to experience cultural activities. The educational activities during the NDR Elbphilharmonie Orchester, Berlin Philharmonic Orchestra College and Shanghai Band Academy's performance, provided professional guidance for young musicians, promoting music exchanges between China and Germany and allowed for young people to have a better understanding of classical music.

Areas of VGC CSR Focus

Poverty Alleviation

After the earthquake in Ludian, Yunnan Province in 2014, VGC immediately donated RMB 5 million to the earthquake-stricken areas through the China Women's Development Foundation (CWDF) to support the Yunnan Ludian earthquake relief project, and provide safe drinking water and long-term psychological assistance for children in the quake-hit areas. In the aftermath of the explosion in Tanggu, Tianjin, in 2015, VGC immediately donated RMB 2.1 million to the disaster area through the CWDF for the purposes of emergency relief and temporary resettlement for disaster-stricken families, including folding tables and chairs, daily supplies, bedding, tableware, simple cabinets, insulation pots, tents, and other basic necessities.

At the invitation of the Chinese People's Association for Friendship with Foreign Countries (CPAFFC), VGC has participated in the Rainbow Bridge Project since 2013, with an eye on people-to-people diplomacy and cultural exchanges. It focuses on less economically developed old revolutionary base areas as the breakthrough point to promote the development of vocational education and youth football by means of "teaching people how to fish". In terms of vocational education, VGC donated the most advanced home-made engines and gearboxes to Yan'an Vocational and Technical College, Shanxi Province, the Vocational Secondary School of Xingguo County, Jiangxi Province and Zunyi Vocational and Technical College, Guizhou Province and invited representatives of teachers to visit and study at the Volkswagen plant, to support the cultivation of automotive professionals. In terms of youth football, Volkswagen Group China supports the establishment of youth football teams in primary and middle schools in underdeveloped areas such as Zhidan in Shanxi, Hongan in Hubei, Jinggangshan in Jiangxi and Zunyi in Guizhou. Since 2014, professional youth training coaches from the VfL Wolfsburg Soccer School were invited to teach in China every year, building a platform for them to pursue their football dreams. The execution of the Rainbow Bridge Project has become an exploratory innovative practice combining social good projects with Sino-German people-to-people diplomacy.

Human Resource development and education

Volkswagen Group China has won Top Employer Award for the 5 consecutive years. As an enterprise engaging talents from over 30 different countries and regions, cultural backgrounds and areas of expertise, the diverse group of employees is the soul and driving force for its development.

Volkswagen Group China places a strong focus on the personal development of employees and provides comprehensive professional and academic trainings to strengthen the understanding and application of new technologies in the areas of connectivity, autonomous driving, shared services and electrification, that are crucial to shape the future of mobility.

To adapt to the changing market environment, and speed up the strategy implementation in China, Volkswagen Group China provides various training qualifications to activate innovation from employees, promote collaboration to deliver results together, and live integrity for sustainable development. We make employee development a priority throughout all career stages, from entry level to top management, in order to identify, develop and retain talents within our company with comprehensive programs designed for different target groups, eg. Leadership License for future leaders; New Development Path into Management for future managers; global development programs for senior management and top management with renowned business schools worldwide. The Volkswagen Group also maintains strong ties with vocational colleges, the involved majors included are from production to aftersales and service. Volkswagen Group China introduced the German Dual-system into the Chinese vocational education system and supports China to improve education quality and deliver qualified graduates to the labor market.

Volkswagen Group China also cooperates with a large number of universities, colleges and institutes throughout China. In close cooperation with top universities such as Tsinghua University (Beijing) and Tongji University (Shanghai), the Group has conducted more than 200 projects since 2015 to support the development of up-to-date scientific knowledge and to identify, attract & promote talents. These programs enable students to receive scholarships and internships, as well as have the opportunity to participate in research projects.

Volkswagen Group China has been dedicated to establishing a comprehensive and competitive Total Rewards system for our employees. Various rewards elements are considered in determining the competitiveness of our remuneration at our company, whether it's our total monetary cash level or a variety of innovative and influential supplemental programs, such as the new special recognition award, employee service award, car purchasing and supplemental pension program which has always regarded talents as the precious wealth of our enterprise and the driving force of enterprise development.

Last but not least, Volkswagen Group China has created an attractive working environment & vibrant corporate culture which encourages 'Break new ground', 'Speak up' and 'Live Diversity'. The annual Stimmungsbarometer survey serves to hear employees' voices and take action to seek for continuous improvement. Volkswagen Group China's new headquarters in Beijing called 'V-Space' sets the bench mark for state-of-the-art technology and comprehensive employee service including a Food Court, a Gym and a Health Center. V-Space provides a people-centric working environment that fosters collaboration and new ways of working towards future mobility.

Distribution network and marketing competence

By the end of 2019, Volkswagen Group China will have over 3,000 authorized dealerships across the country and 330,000 dealer staff providing professional services to thousands of customers every day. The sales network for the Volkswagen brand consists of four sales structures, assigned to SAIC VOLKSWAGEN, FAW-Volkswagen, JAC-Volkswagen and Volkswagen Group Import Company (VGIC) respectively. The SAIC VOLKSWAGEN, FAW-Volkswagen and JAC-Volkswagen operate independent sales structures for their own products, while business for all import models of the Volkswagen brand are coordinated by VGIC.

By 2023, we target a further increase in dealerships to over 3,400 (all VGC passenger car brands), while boosting the retail workforce to around 500,000 employees.

Volkswagen Group China Sites 2019

SAIC VOLKSWAGEN AUTOMOTIVE COMPANY LIMITED		
1. Anting plant	Volkswagen: Polo, Lavida, Gran Lavida, Lavida BEV, Tiguan L, Tiguan L PHEV, Tiguan Silkroad, Phideon; T-Cross Engines, Battery	
2. Nanjing plant	Volkswagen: Passat, Passat PHEV; ŠKODA: Superb, Kamiq, Kamiq GT	
3. Yizheng plant	Volkswagen: Santana; Gran Santana, Tharu; ŠKODA: Rapid, Rapid Spaceback	
4. Urumqi plant	Volkswagen: Santana	
5. Ningbo plant	Volkswagen: Lamando, Tharu, Teramont; Teramont Coupe; ŠKODA: Octavia, Octavia Combi, Karoq	
6. Changsha plant	Volkswagen: Lavida, Touran L; ŠKODA: Kodiaq, Kodiaq GT	
FAW-Volkswagen Automotive	e Co., Ltd.	
7. Changchun Plant	Volkswagen: Magotan, Magotan PHEV, CC, Bora, C-TREK; Audi: A6L, A6L PHEV, Q5L, A4L; Engines, Gearboxes, Battery	
8. Chengdu Plant	Volkswagen: Sagitar; Jetta: VA3, VS5, VS7; Engines	
9. Foshan Plant	Volkswagen: Golf, Golf Sportsvan, Golf BEV, T-Roc; Audi: A3 Limousine, A3 Sportback, Q2L, Q2L BEV	
10. Qingdao Plant	Volkswagen: Bora, Bora BEV	
11. Tianjin Plant	Volkswagen: Tayron, Tayron PHEV Audi: Q3	
JAC-Volkswagen Automotive	Co., Ltd.	
12. Hefei Plant	Sihao: E20X	
VOLKSWAGEN Automatic Tra	nsmission (Dalian) Co., Ltd.	
13. Dalian plant	Gearboxes/AVS (Audi valve lift system) Camshaft	
VOLKSWAGEN Automatic Tra	nsmission (Tianjin) Co., Ltd.	
14. Tianjin plant	Gearboxes, electric-drive	
Volkswagen FAW Platform Co	., Ltd.	
15. Changchun plant	Chassis	
16. Chengdu plant	Chassis	
17. Foshan plant	Chassis	
18. Tianjin plant	Chassis	
Volkswagen FAW Engine Co.,	Ltd.	
19. Dalian plant	Engines	
20. Changchun plant	Engines	
VOLKSWAGEN Transmission (Shanghai) Co., Ltd.	
21. Anting plant	Gearboxes	
Shanghai Volkswagen Powert	rain Co., Ltd.	
22. Loutang plant	Engines	
MAN Diesel & Turbo Shangha	i Co., Ltd.	
23. Changzhou plant	Components: Turbochargers, superchargers	
Sitech Dongchang Automotive	e Seating Technology Ltd.	
24. Baoshan plant	Complete seats and seat metal structures	

Chronicle

Year	Event	
1978	The Volkswagen Group and representatives of the Chinese government agree on the local assembly of Volkswagen brand models in the Chinese mainland.	
1985	Start of operations for SAIC VOLKSWAGEN Automotive Co., Ltd	
1988	License agreement with FAW Group in Changchun for the production of the Audi 100 in China. This is the first standard technology transfer contract for high-end automobiles in the history of Chinese automobile industry.	
1991	FAW-Volkswagen Automotive Co., Ltd.(FAW-Volkswagen) was officially established.	
1997	Establishment of FAW-Volkswagen Sales Co., Ltd.	
1998	SAIC VOLKSWAGEN celebrates production of the millionth Volkswagen vehicle.	
2002	Volkswagen Group China and its joint venture partner SAIC extend their contract by 20 years.	
2004	Establishment of Volkswagen Finance (China) Co., Ltd.	
2008	SAIC VOLKSWAGEN inaugurates its fourth automobile plant in Nanjing. In 2011, the capacity of Nanjing plant reaches 300,000 vehicles per year.	
2011	The Chinese government approves the construction of two automobile plants with an annual capacity of 300,000 vehicles each, which Volkswagen is to construct in cooperation with its joint ventures, SAIC VOLKSWAGEN in Yizheng, Eastern China, and FAW-Volkswagen in Foshan, Southern China.	
2012	The New Lavida, an A-segment notchback saloon produced by SAIC VOLKSWAGEN, makes its debut at Auto China. Following two years of construction, SAIC VOLKSWAGEN inaugurates its new plant at Yizheng, Eastern China, designed for annual production capacity of 300,000 vehicles. The New Santana produced by SAIC VOLKSWAGEN makes its world debut in Wolfsburg. The first generation had been launched 31 years previously, before the model started its success story in China, with almost 4 million vehicles sold from 1982 onwards.	
2013	SAIC VOLKSWAGEN celebrates a total of 10 million vehicles produced; in the same month, FAW-Volkswagen celebrates the production of 8 million vehicles. The FAW-Volkswagen EA 211 engine plant broke ground in Changchun. From mid-2014, annual capacity is to reach 450,000 engines for Volkswagen Passenger Cars and Audi models. Production of the ŠKODA Superb starts at the SAIC VOLKSWAGEN facility in Ningbo.	
2014	Volkswagen Group China and its joint venture partner FAW Group extend their contract by 25 years until 2041. Inauguration of a component plant of the 100% wholly-owned Volkswagen subsidiary, Volkswagen Automatic Transmission (Tianjin) Co., Ltd., in Tianjin for the production of dual-clutch gearboxes (DSG). Annual capacity is 450,000 gearboxes, to be expanded to 1.2 million units by 2016. Groundbreaking ceremony for the construction of a new vehicle plant in Qingdao, East China, with joint venture company FAW-Volkswagen.	
2015	Inauguration of new vehicle plant in Changsha with joint venture SAIC VOLKSWAGEN, with a capacity of up to 300,000 vehicles per year.	
2016	Audi transmission production opens at Volkswagen Automatic Transmission (Tianjin) Co., Ltd	
2017	Volkswagen Group signed a joint venture agreement with Anhui Jianghuai Automobile Group Corp., Ltd. (JAC), to develop, produce and market electric vehicles and mobility services in China. Volkswagen Automatic Transmission Dalian 10 th Anniversary Ceremony.	
2018	Volkswagen Group officially opened Future Center Asia in Beijing focus on delivering foresee prospective mobility solutions. Shanghai Volkswagen Powertrain Co., Ltd (VWPT) reaches major milestone with production of 10 millionth engine.	
2019	JETTA becomes a new brand of Volkswagen in China. Volkswagen Group China Initiates wide scale Smart City Project in Hefei. The Volkswagen Group launched Group R&D China, further creating synergies across its brands and strengthening the Group's R&D capabilities in China. Volkswagen Group China advances e-mobility strategy with production of new NEV components in Volkswagen Automatic Transmission (Tianjin) Co., Ltd. SAIC VOLKSWAGEN Anting Plant starts pre-production, will produce fully electric cars on Volkswagen's MEB platform. The Volkswagen Group has achieved total cumulative sales of 42 million vehicles since it first arrived in China.	