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Volkswagen Group Components -Plant Brunswick

Area:	682,000 m ²
Production:	Components for 5.2 million vehicles of the Volkswagen Group (2024)
Employees:	about 6.300 (2024)
Plant Manager:	Martin Schmuck



Volkswagen Group Components Braunschweig

Plant

The Brunswick plant is the oldest of all Volkswagen AG plants. Today, it stands for high technical competence and is one of the world's leading manufacturers of chassis components. Since 2019, the Brunswick plant has been a part of Volkswagen Group Components, an independent business unit within the Group's Technology Division under the umbrella of the Volkswagen AG, responsible for the

production of strategic components for the Group's vehicle producing brands. Battery technology has been part of the product portfolio since 2013, starting with the battery system for the e-up! The Braunschweig plant now produces battery systems for a large number of battery-electric and hybrid vehicles and has thus assumed a central role in the electric mobility of the Volkswagen brand. The other key products such as chassis and steering systems are both developed and produced at the site - for both conventional and electric and hybrid vehicles of the group.

The total area of the Brunswick site covers around 682,000 square meters. In addition to three plants in Brunswick, further axle production plants in Isenbüttel, Emden, Osnabrück, Meerane and Barsinghausen as well as a logistics center in Harvesse belong to Volkswagen Group Components Brunswick.

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Production

The component production facility manufactures front and rear axles, steering systems and battery systems, among other things. In 2023 components for 5.2 million cars were produced. The site is systematically geared towards e-mobility. Among the customers are the vehicle-building plants of Volkswagen Passenger Cars, Audi, ŠKODA, SEAT, Volkswagen Commercial Vehicles as well as MAN, Scania, Lamborghini, and Bentley. In addition, the company's own plant engineering department develops and manufactures production systems for internal Group customers worldwide.

Management

Martin Schmuck is head of the Brunswick plant. He has been with the Volkswagen Group since 1996. Throughout his career, he has become familiar with the entire product development process. Starting in development at the Brunswick plant, he passed through further stations in planning, production and logistics. In his last position, he was leading the chassis component plant of Volkswagen Group Components in Wolfsburg.

Environment

The Brunswick plant is taking ecological responsibility. Efficient use and protection of natural resources are the key approaches of environmental protection. An important goal is the reduction of the five key figures (energy, water, waste, CO₂, and solvent emissions) by 45% per produced vehicle by 2025, starting from the base year 2010.

The Brunswick site fulfills the requirements of ISO 14001:2015 (environmental management systems) as well as ISO 50001:2018 (energy management systems). The efficacy of the environmental and energy compliance systems is regularly being reviewed and verified by independent certifiers.



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As Volkswagen's Group-wide 'powerhouse', the Volkswagen Group Division Technology with its business units is responsible for the central transformation topics of 'Battery', 'Charging and Energy' and 'Components', the development and production of strategic components for the Group's vehicle-producing brands, and with 'Platform Business' also for business with OEMs outside the Group. As an entrepreneurially independent business unit under the umbrella of the Group's Technology division, Volkswagen Group Components employs around 70,000 people in over 60 plants worldwide. They make a decisive value contribution to the Volkswagen Group, its brands and products. Thomas Schmall is the member of the Group Board of Management responsible for Technology and Chairman of the Board of Management of Volkswagen Group Components.

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