Public vehicle tenders in Europe, May 2026: 726 contract awards on TED, 1 naming a Chinese maker

Contract award notices for motor vehicles that public buyers in Europe published in TED from 1 May 2026 to 31 May 2026. All seven vehicle categories; each figure is counted from the notices' own fields.

Award notices	Name a winner	Firm contract value	Name a Chinese maker
726	**634**	**€551 m**	**1**
−8 % on the previous month	87.3 % of the awards	475 awards with a firm value	0.2 %

Key points

- 726 contract award notices for motor vehicles in May 2026 (−8 % on the month before, −11 % on the mean of the 4 months before); 634 name a winner.
- Most awards by vehicle category: emergency and police vehicles 193, other and unspecified vehicles 174, municipal vehicles 107; by buyer country: Germany 193, Spain 87, Poland 74.
- 1 award names a Chinese maker among the winners: Yutong.
- Firm contract value of 475 awards: €551 m; the largest, €24 m, went to SOLARIS BUS IBÉRICA S.L.U.

Award notices per month on TED, all vehicle categories, January 2026 to May 2026: 726 in May 2026

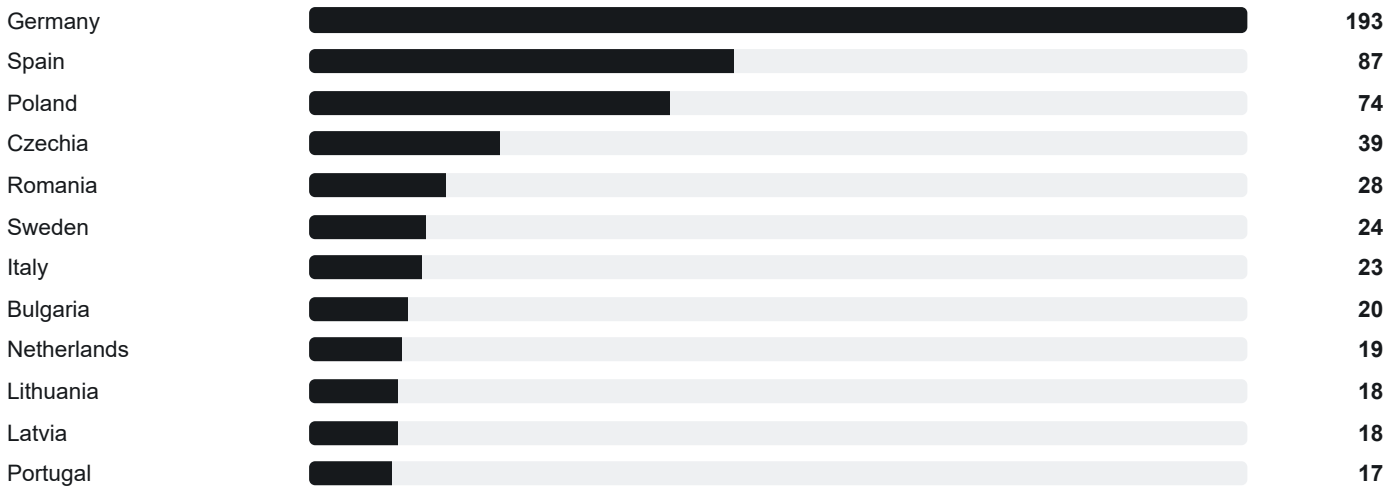


The highlighted bar is this report's month. Award notices that name a Chinese maker are in the tables below.

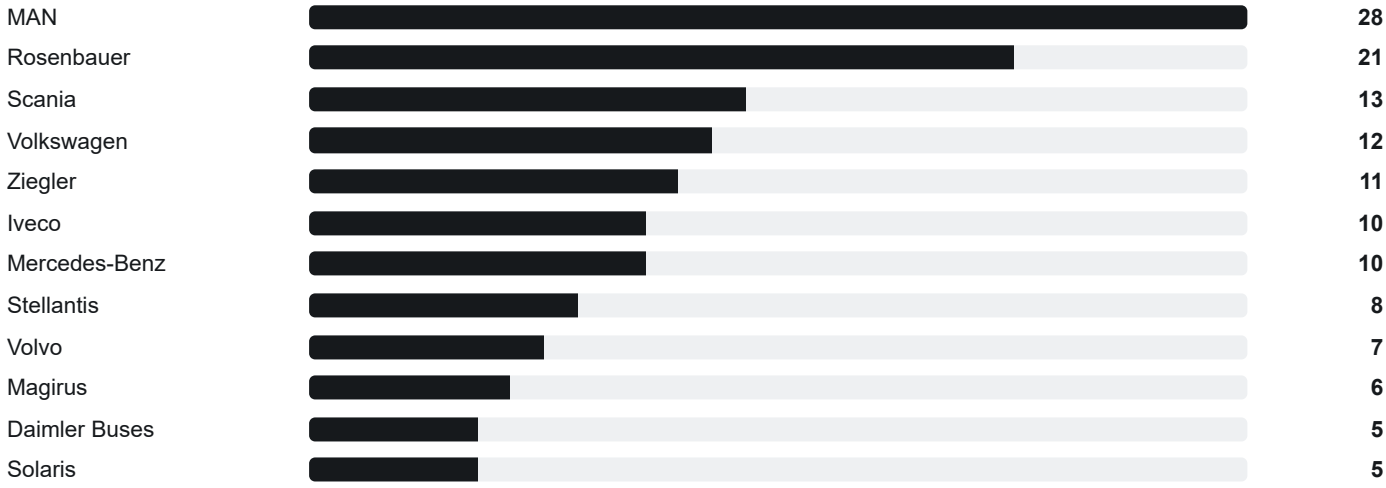
Award notices by vehicle category, May 2026

Category	Awards	Share
Emergency and police vehicles	193	26.6 %
Other and unspecified vehicles	174	24.0 %
Municipal vehicles	107	14.7 %
Passenger cars	87	12.0 %
Medium and heavy trucks	75	10.3 %
Buses	57	7.9 %
Light commercial vehicles	33	4.5 %

Award notices by buyer country, May 2026 (top 12)



Award notices by maker named among the winners, May 2026 (top 12)



137 of the 634 notices that name a winner name a maker on our list; the others went to dealers, body builders or makers not on the list. Chinese makers are marked in colour.

Contract awards naming a Chinese maker, May 2026: 1

Published	Type	Award	Chinese maker	Notice on TED
29/05/2026	City buses	Reus Transport Públic SA (Spain) awarded city buses to YUTONG SPAIN HOLDCO SL. Contract value: €2.6 m.	**Yutong**	suministro de cuatro minibuses de piso bajo y tracción eléctrica, del servicio de transporte colectivo urban… (369466-2026)

The 10 largest contract awards by firm value, May 2026

Rank	Published	Type	Award	Notice on TED
1	12/05/2026	City buses	Empresa Municipal de Transportes de Madrid, S.A. (Spain) awarded city buses to SOLARIS BUS IBÉRICA S.L.U. Contract value: €24 m.	Suministro de 30 autobuses articulados eléctricos de 18 metros a EMT de Madrid en los años 2026 y 2027 (326121-2026)
2	15/05/2026	Refuse trucks	Antwerpen (Belgium) awarded refuse trucks to MOL CY. Contract value: €20 m. 2 lots.	Raamovereenkomst voor bovenbouwen voor huisvuilwagens en 3-haaksysteem, inclusief onderhoudscontract en 12 j… (332240-2026)
3	15/05/2026	Cars and estates	REPUBLIK ÖSTERREICH vertreten durch die Bundesministerin für Landesverteidigung (Austria) awarded cars to Denzel Autoimport GmbH. Contract value: €18.7 m.	300 Stk. Mitsubishi L200 2,4 DI-D GLX Doppelkabine, 3N1 (332640-2026)

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4	06/05/2026	Police cars	The Office of Government Procurement (Ireland) awarded police cars to Skoda Ireland, SEAT Ireland, Volvo Car Ireland Ltd and 1 more. Contract value: €16.9 m for the whole notice.	KFP063F-017- Executive and other vehicles (with the option of Police Specification fit outs) (310260-2026)
5	20/05/2026	Refuse trucks	I/S Amager Ressourcecenter (Denmark) awarded 14 refuse trucks to Scania Danmark A/S. Contract value: €16.4 m (122,601,702 DKK).	Indkøb, levering og servicering af 3-akslede, 1- og 2-kammer renovationsbiler (343458-2026)
6	29/05/2026	Electric vehicles (unspeci-fied)	Infraestruturas de Portugal, SA (Portugal) awarded electric vehicles to LeasePlan Portugal – Comércio e Aluguer de Automóveis e Equipamentos Unipessoal, Lda, LEASYS MOBILITY PORTUGAL, S.A. and KINTO PORTUGAL, S.A. Contract value: €16.4 m for the whole notice. 7 lots. Rental or leasing.	Aluguer Operacional de Viaturas para a IP (367925-2026)
7	27/05/2026	City buses	Consejo de Administración de Transportes Interurbanos de Tenerife S.A.U. (Spain) awarded city buses to SCANIA HISPANIA, S.A., IVECO ESPAÑA, S.L. and JUAN ANTONIO RIVERA S.L. Contract value: €14.1 m for the whole notice. 7 lots.	Suministro (adquisición) de TREINTA Y CUATRO (34) AUTOBUSES para destinarlos a la prestación del servicio pú… (362009-2026)
8	26/05/2026	City buses	Miejskie Zakłady Komunikacyjne Sp. z o.o. (Poland) awarded 22 city buses to DAIMLER BUSES POLSKA Sp. z o.o. and PEKAO LEASING Sp. z o.o. Contract value: €13.8 m (58,253,184 PLN) for the whole notice. Rental or leasing.	DOSTAWY W FORMIE LEASINGU FINANSOWEGO 22 (DWUDZIESTU DWÓCH) FABRYCZNIE NOWYCH AUTOBUSÓW (12 PRZEGUBOWYCH I 1… (357106-2026)
9	18/05/2026	City buses	TPER (Italy) awarded city buses to Italscania S.p.A. Contract value: €13.7 m.	Procedura aperta per la fornitura di n. 10 autobus (+ulteriori opzionali max. n. 20), Classe II, lunghezza m… (335303-2026)
10	06/05/2026	Off-road vehicles and SUVs	ΟΡΓΑΝΙΣΜΟΣ ΦΥΣΙΚΟΥ ΠΕΡΙΒΑΛΛΟΝΤΟΣ & ΚΛΙΜΑΤΙΚΗΣ ΑΛΛΑΓΗΣ (Greece) awarded off-road vehicles to MK CARS & TRUCKS ΕΕ, AIGLON ΑΝΩΝΥΜΗ ΒΙΟΜΗΧΑΝΙΚΗ ΚΑΙ ΕΜΠΟΡΙΚΗ ΕΤΑΙΡΕΙΑ ΑΥΤΟΚΙΝΗΤΩΝ and STAR AUTOMOTIVE ΕΛΛΑΣ ΜΟΝΟΠΡΟΣΩΠΗ ΑΝΩΝΥΜΗ ΕΤΑΙΡΕΙΑ. Contract value: €12.5 m for the whole notice. 5 lots.	Προμήθεια Οχημάτων α) για την επιστημονική παρακολούθηση, εποπτεία και φύλαξη περιοχών του δικτύου Natura 20… (311954-2026)

Framework agreements state a ceiling, not a purchase, and are left out, as are amounts most likely typed in the wrong unit. The value is that of the whole notice.

1 award this month states an amount of €1 bn or more, most likely typed in the wrong unit; it is left out of the value totals.

Sources and method

- Source: TED (Tenders Electronic Daily), the online version of the Supplement to the Official Journal of the EU, read through its public search API. Contract award notices (eForms “can-standard” and earlier award notices) and contract notices still open for tenders (“cn-standard”).
- Scope: notices carrying a CPV code for motor vehicles (341…, 3414…); TED also returns the codes below each one. A notice is placed by its most specific code, so an ambulance code wins over a passenger-car code; a notice that names only an unspecified type (motor vehicles, special-purpose or electric vehicles) stays in “Other and unspecified vehicles”, and notices are not reclassified from their text. Each category page lists its codes. Every award is kept from 2024 for buses and from 2026 for the other categories; awards naming a Chinese maker are kept from 2024 in every category. Buyers outside Europe (EU-funded aid purchases) are left out, and so are notices whose main contract nature is services or works (bus line concessions, school transport, hire with driver): they carry vehicle codes but buy no vehicle.
- Chinese makers are matched by name in the winner field: BYD, Yutong, King Long, Golden Dragon, Higer, Zhongtong, CRRC, Foton, Ankai, Skywell, Maxus, Dongfeng, MG, Chery, Geely, Great Wall, Leapmotor, XPeng, Sinotruk and JAC. A dealer counts when it carries the brand's name or where a TED notice ties it to the maker (KL Buses for King Long); a consortium or subcontracting maker is added where the notice names it as part of the winning party.
- Amounts are copied from the notice: the total value of the notice, or the one tender's value when there is exactly one tender and one winner. Values of 0 or below €1,000, which buyers enter to keep a value undisclosed, are left out. Other currencies are converted at the ECB euro reference rate of the publication day. An amount of €1 bn or more, or one far above what any vehicle of the type costs per counted vehicle, is most likely typed in the wrong unit: it is shown as published with a note and left out of totals and rankings. A unit price outside the plausible range for its vehicle type is not shown.
- Vehicle counts are taken only from the quantity field of single-lot notices that state a whole number of pieces; multi-lot notices often put the number of lots there, and many notices give the count only in the text, so most rows show none. A corrected notice republished under a new number replaces the earlier one.
- Each sentence in the lists is built from the notice's own fields; nothing is translated or summarised. Read the notice on TED for the full text.

Source: TED, the procurement journal of the European Union, contract award notices for motor vehicles; counted and compiled by China Car Index. Data as of 17 November 2026.
Online edition with links to every notice: https://chinacarindex.com/tenders/reports/2026-05