

# The Dynamics of Plug-in Electric Vehicles in the Secondary Market

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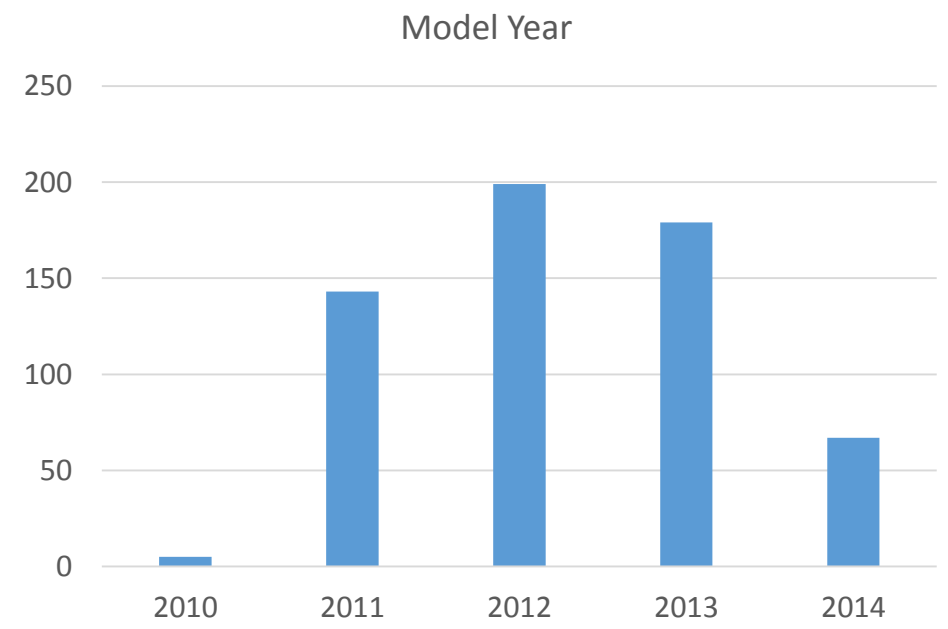
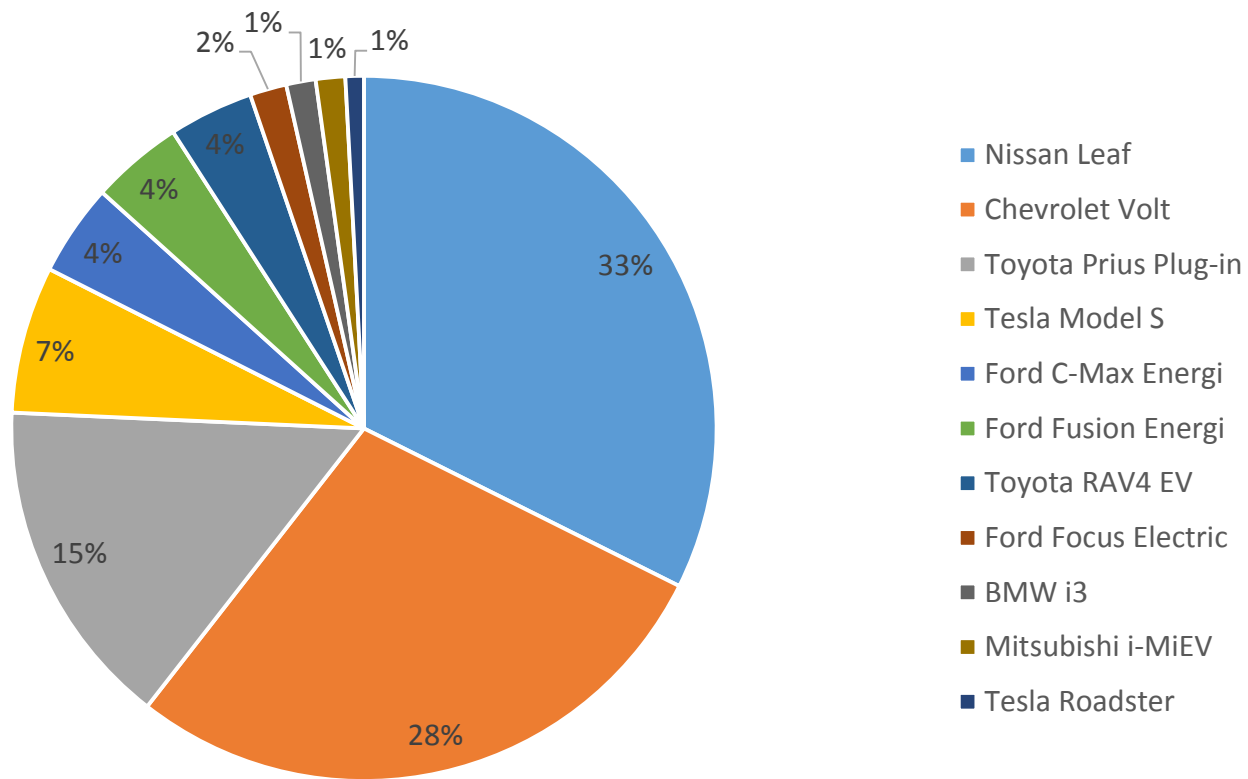
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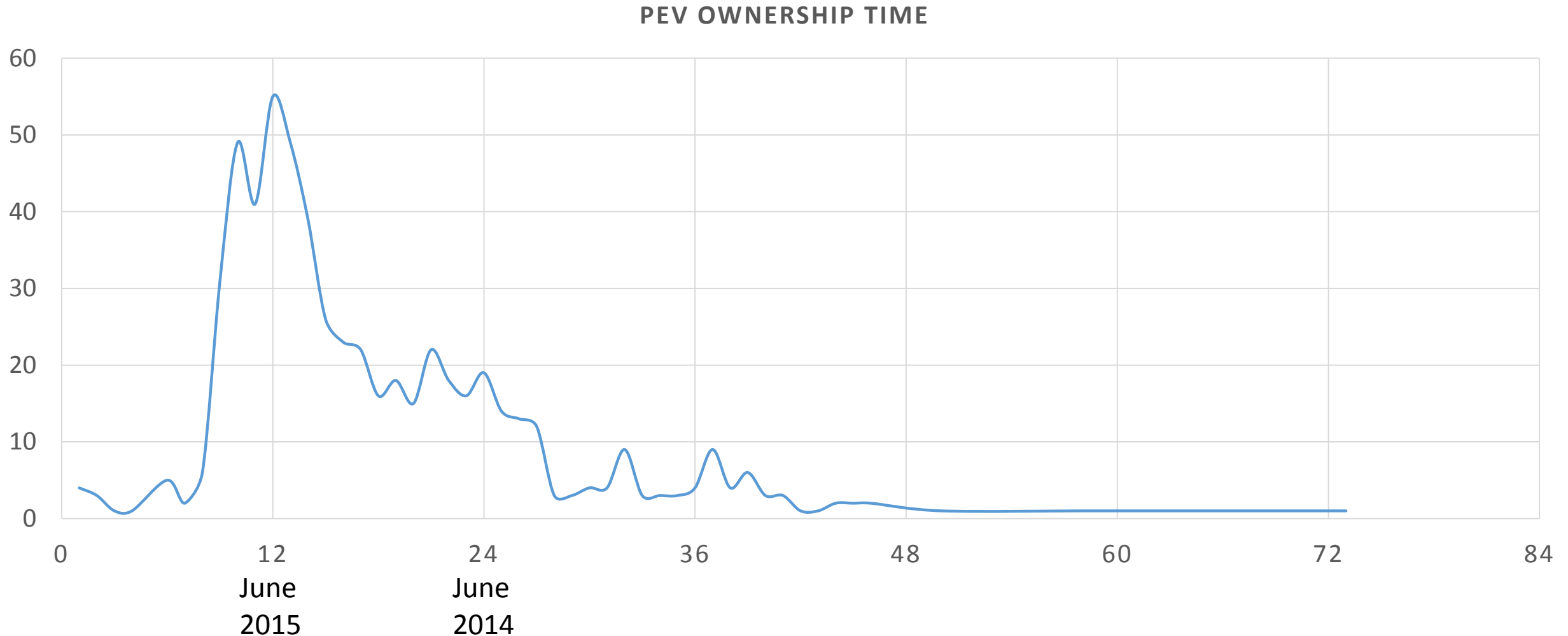
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# Population and Sampling

Used PEVs in DMV records	~14000		
Invitations letters	4700		
Address problem	183		
Started	913	Response rate	20%
Purchased used	732	Used owners response rate	17%
Purchased from lease	52		
Finished usable	602	Completion rate	82%
		<b>of all invitations</b>	<b>13%</b>

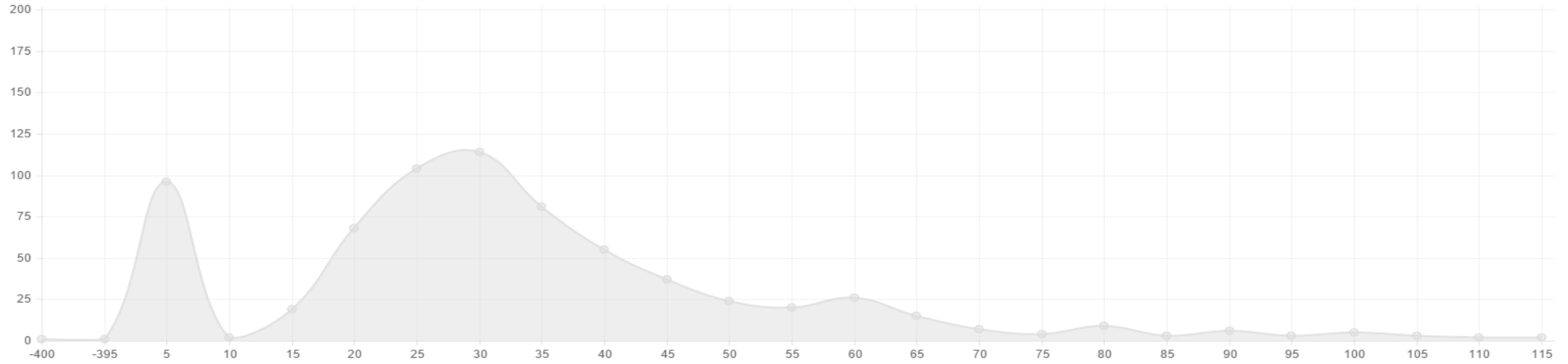


We only use households with some experience, our data is “old”

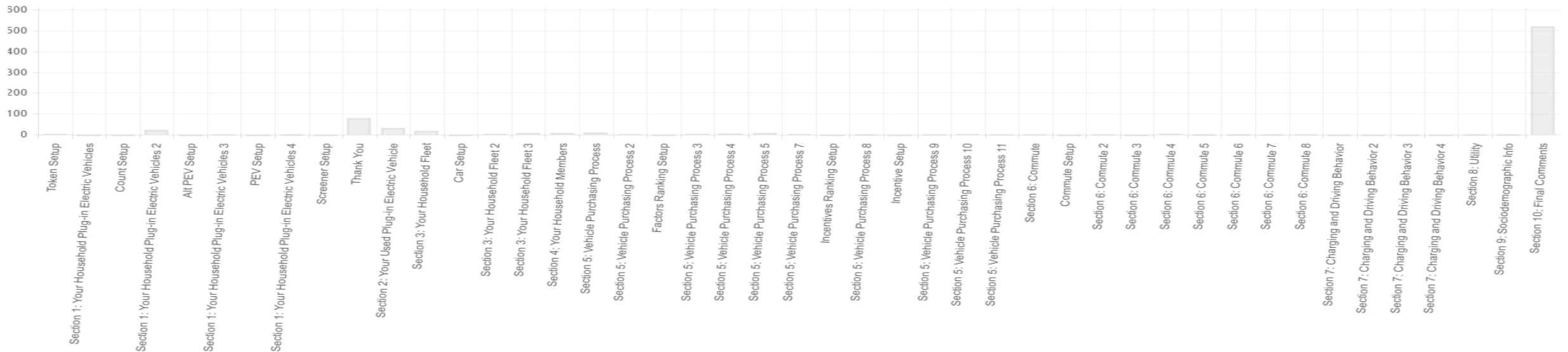


# Completion Time and Drop Rates

Number of Completes per 5 Minute time interval

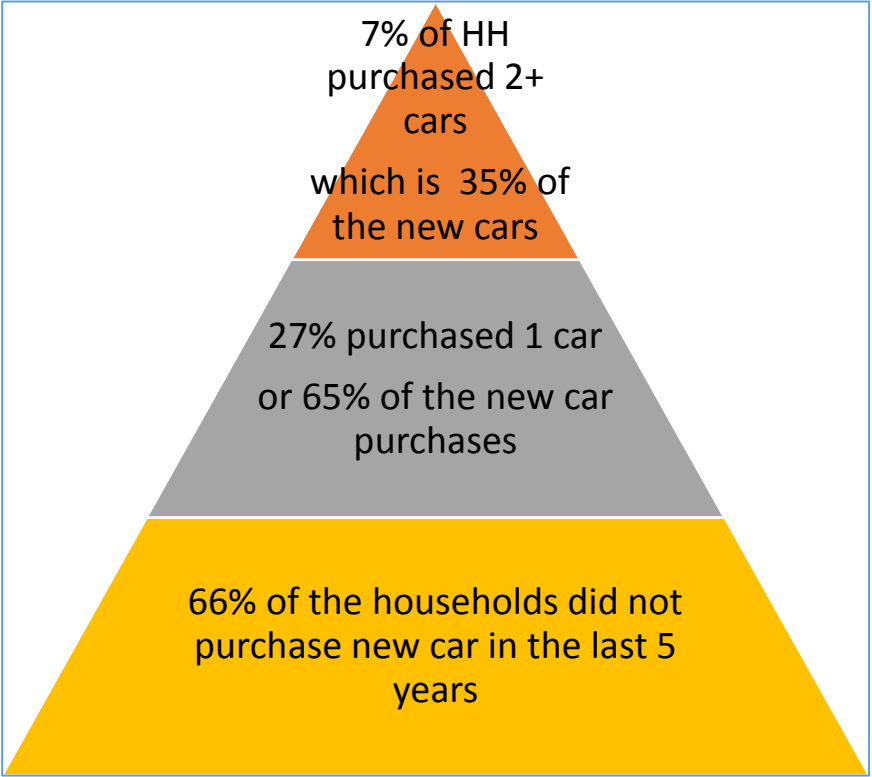


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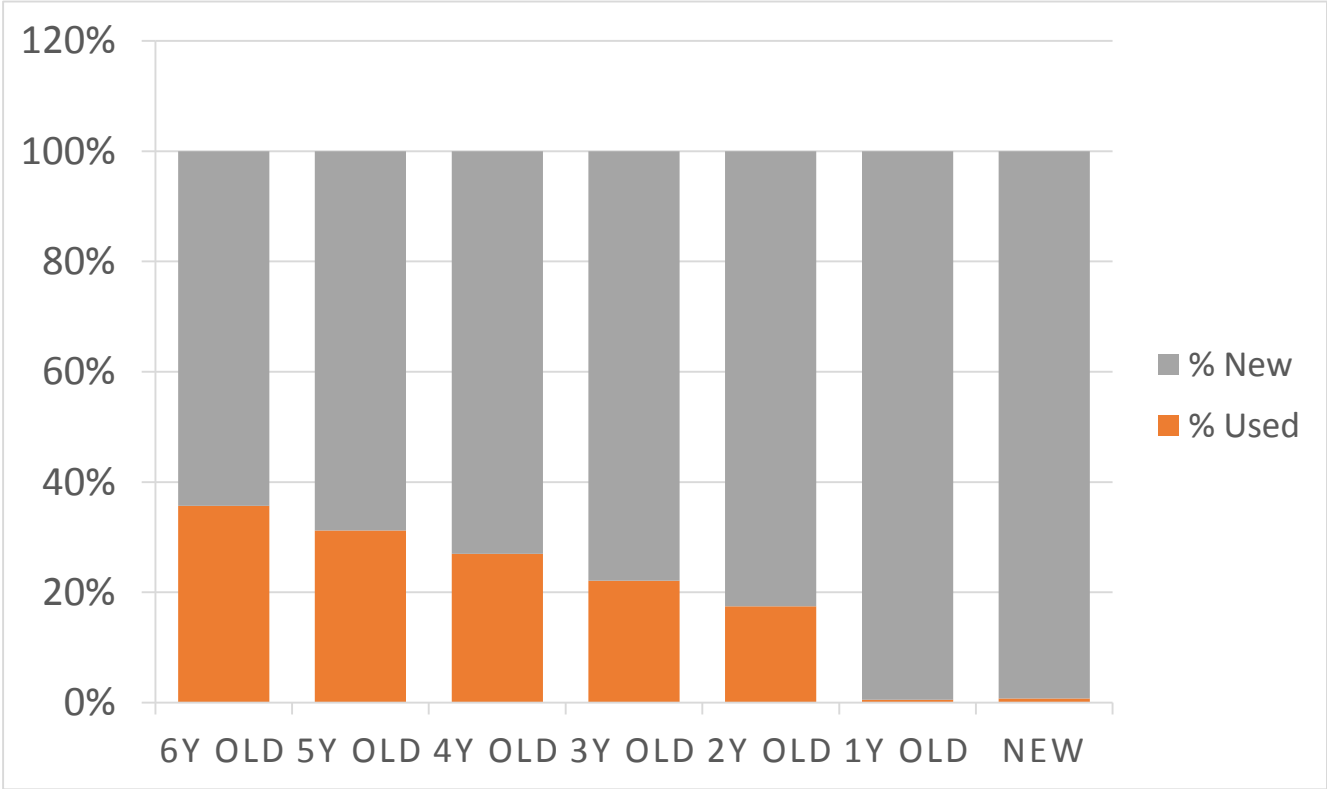


Who Sells Used PEVs?

# New and Used Vehicles in California

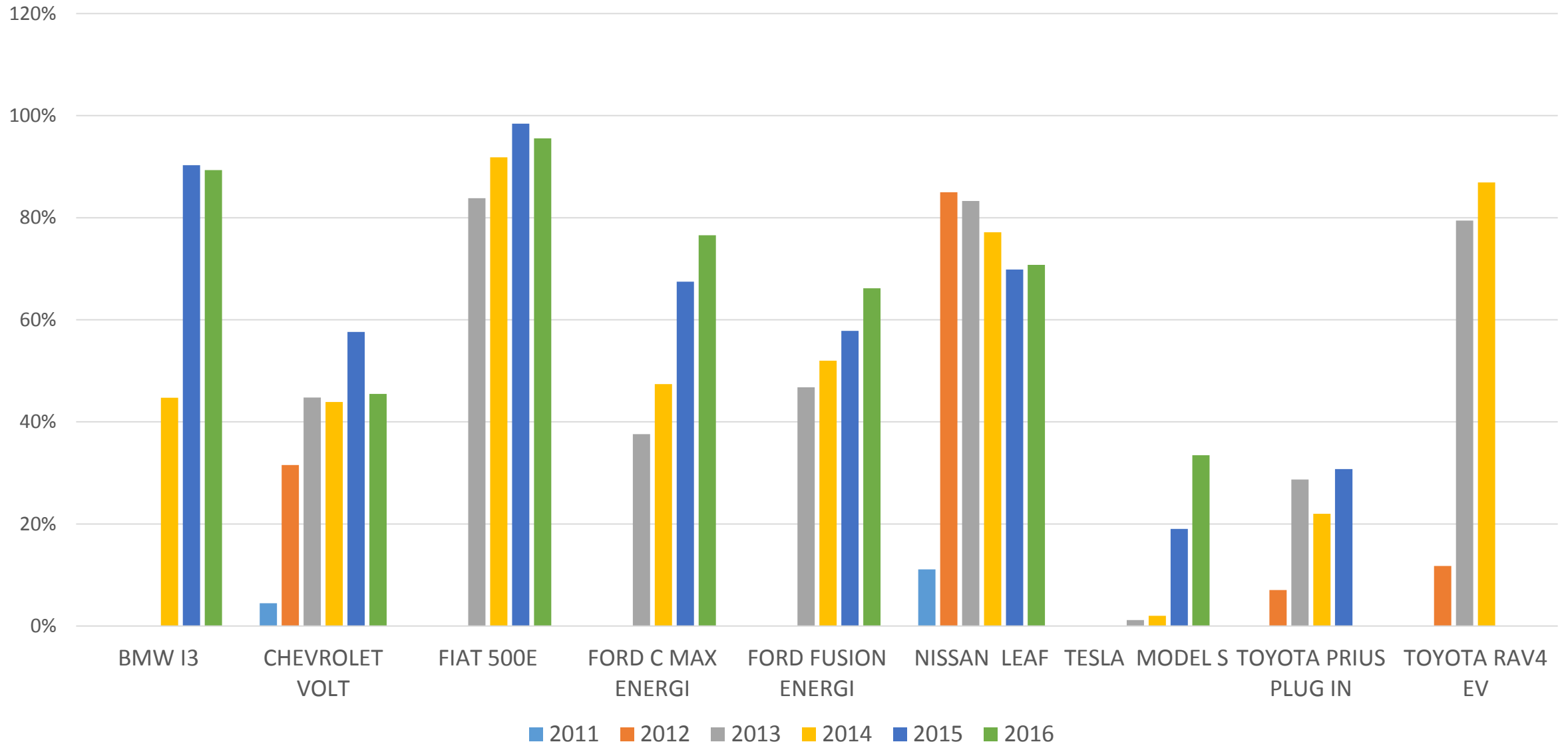


New Vehicle (ICE) Buyers in California



Ownership Status by Model Year

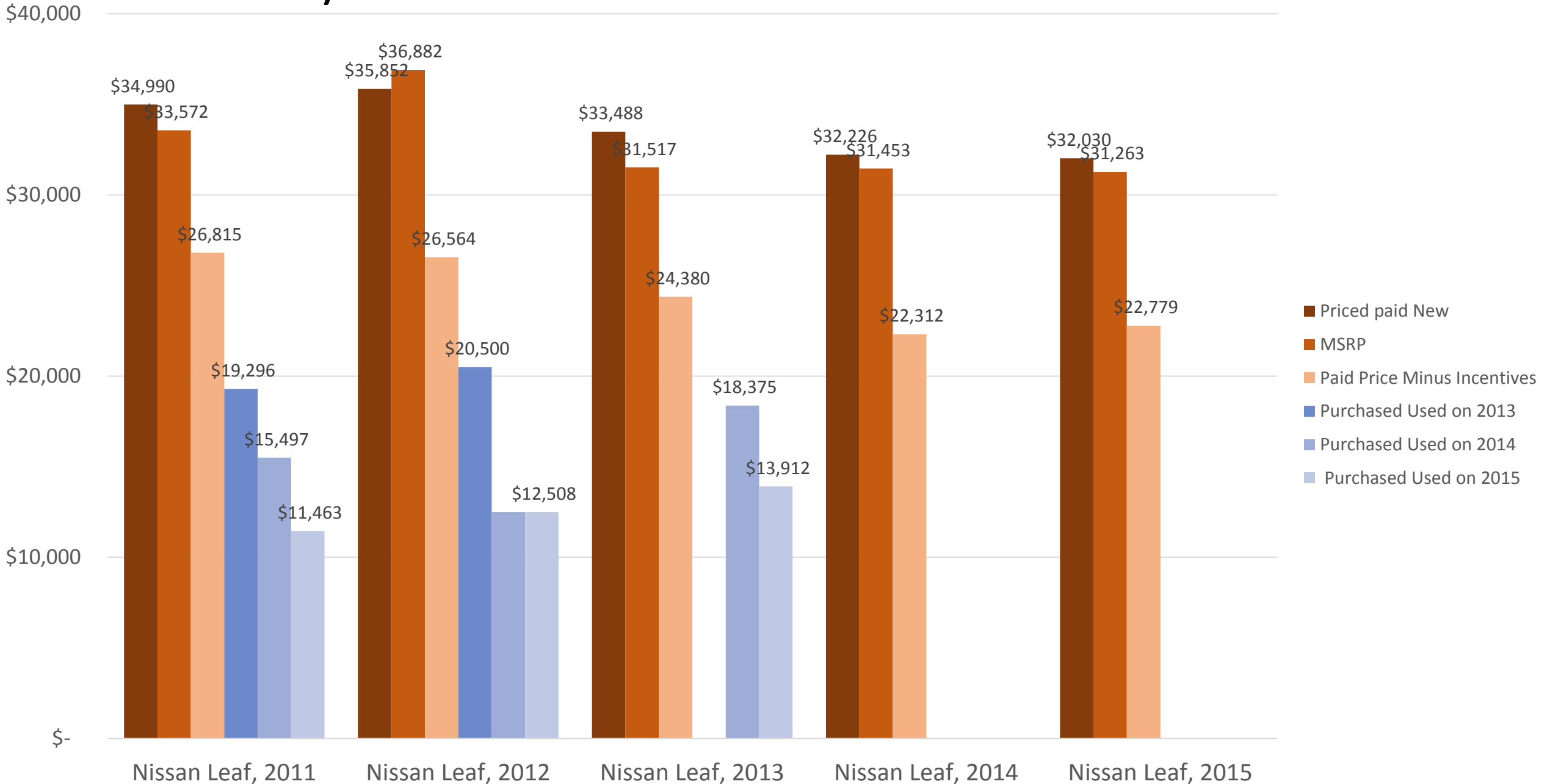
# Share of Leased New PEVs



# Used PEV Pricing

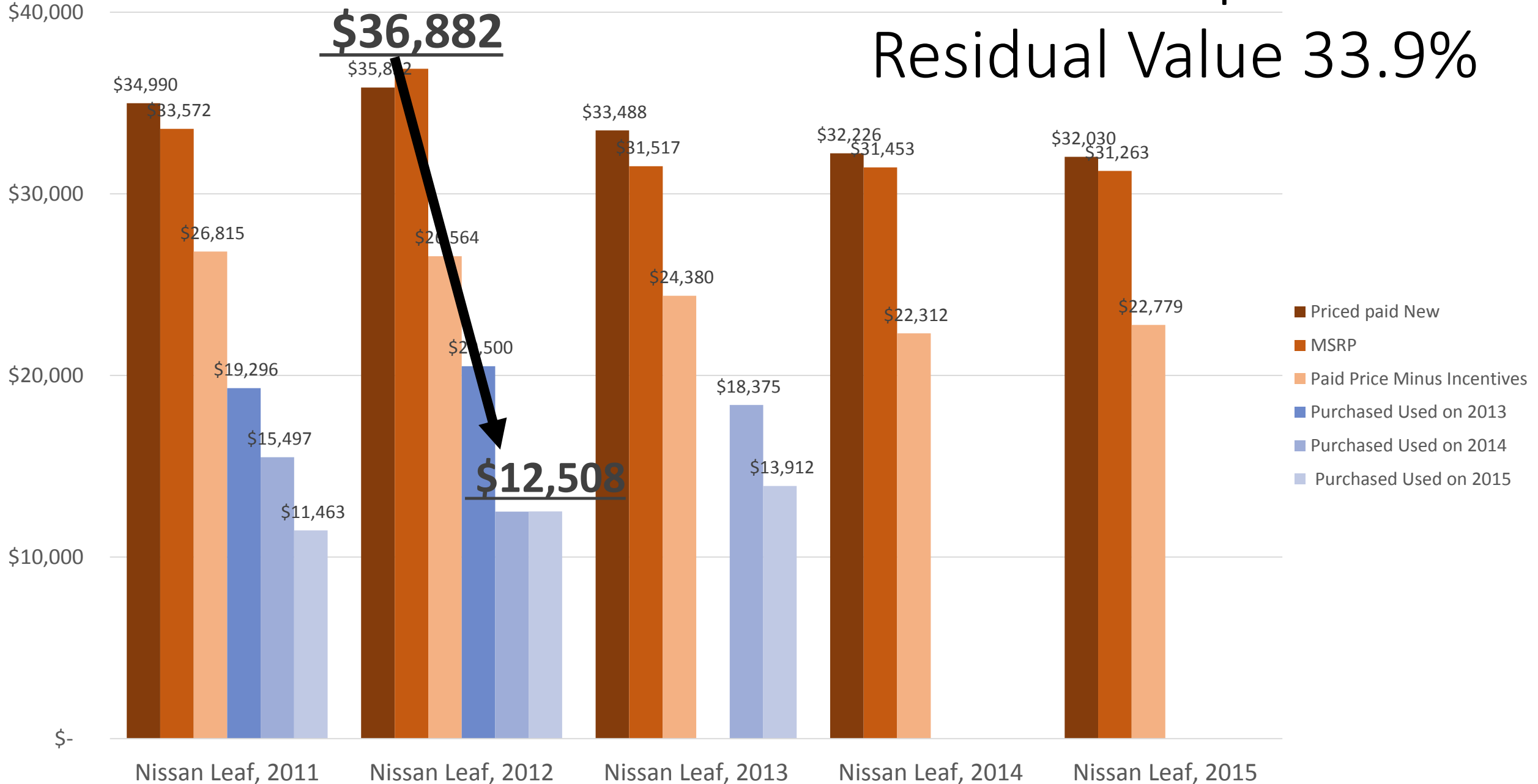


# Price by Model Year and Purchase Year



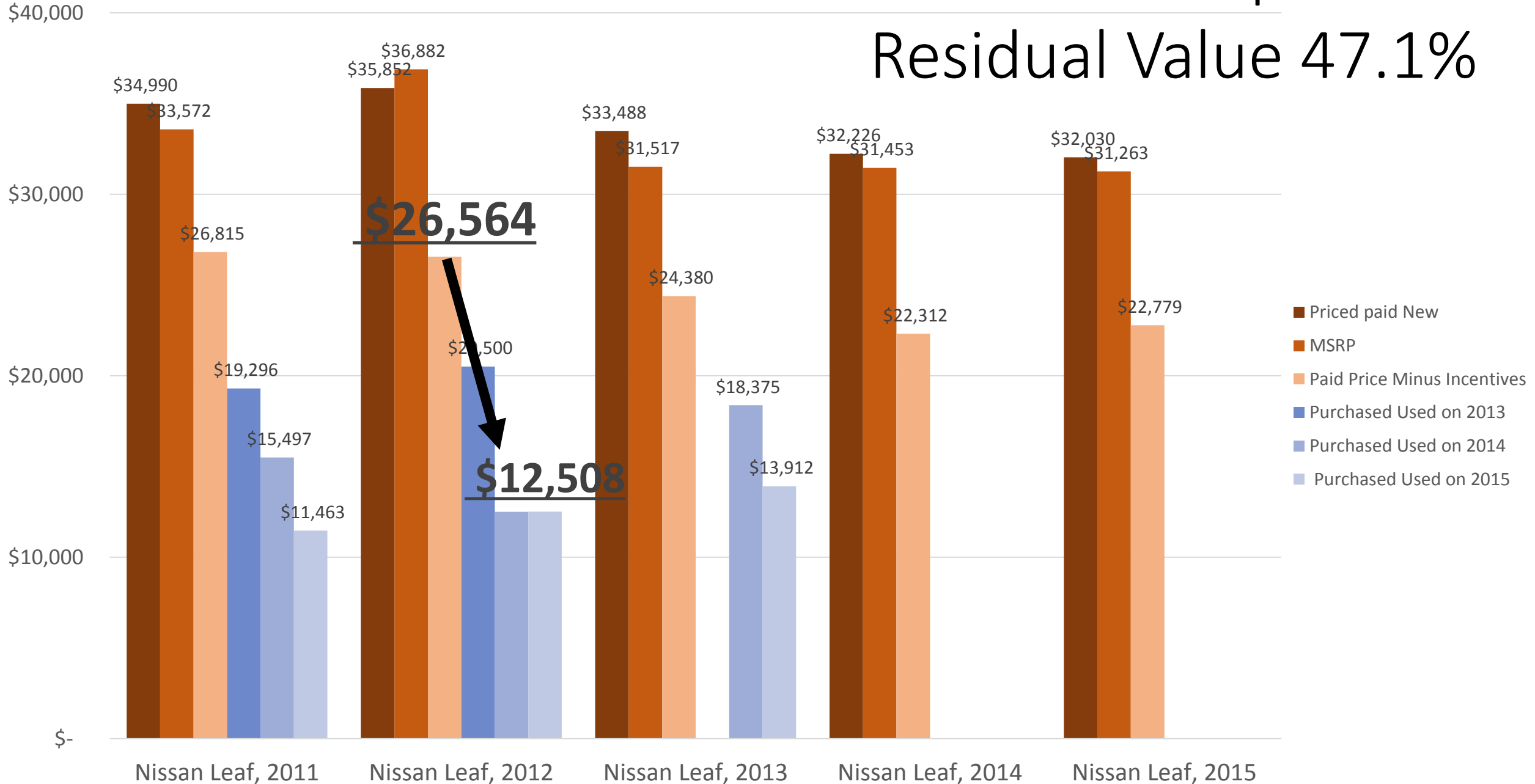
# 2012 LEAF Sold in 2015: The OEM Perspective

## Residual Value 33.9%



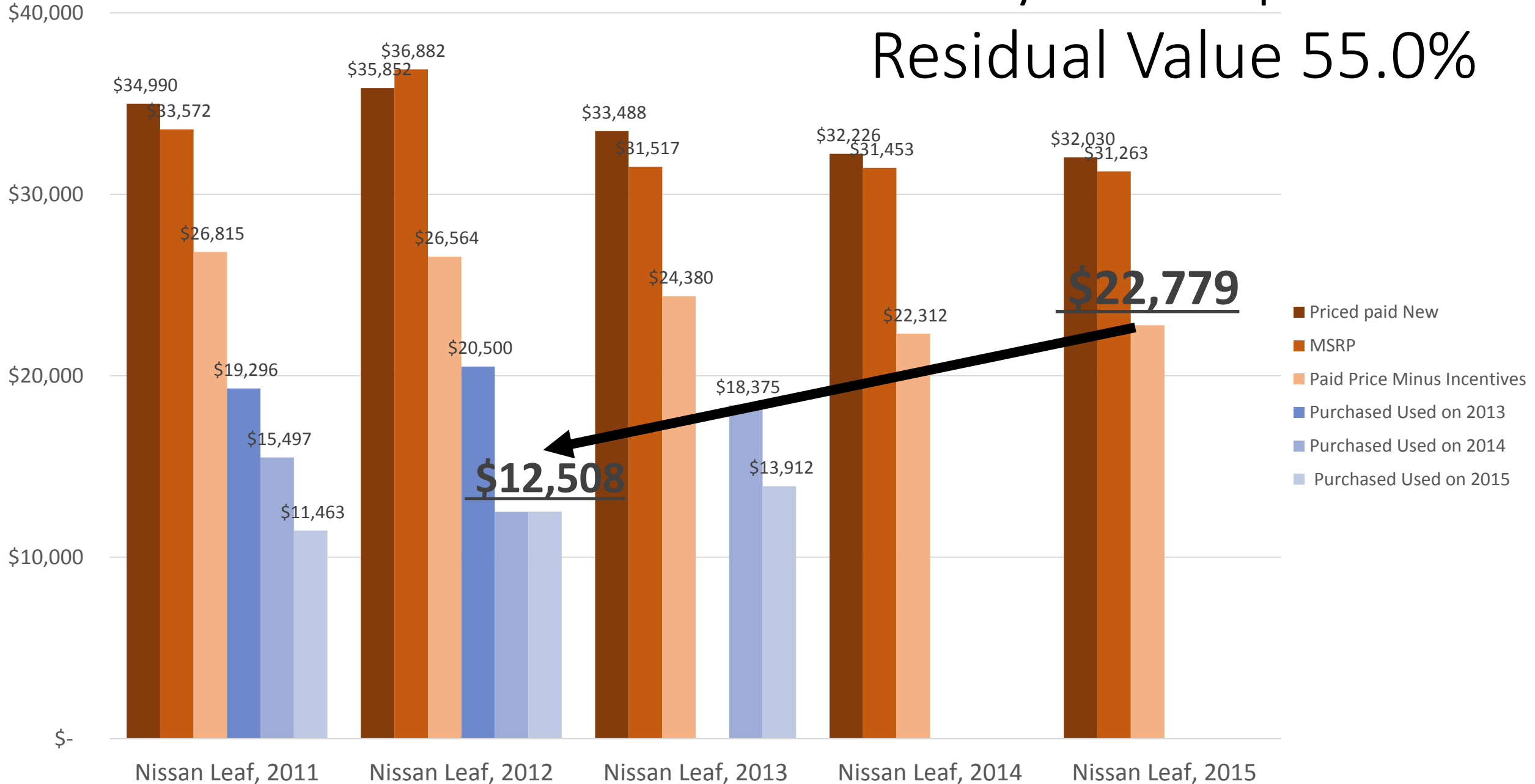
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## Residual Value 47.1%



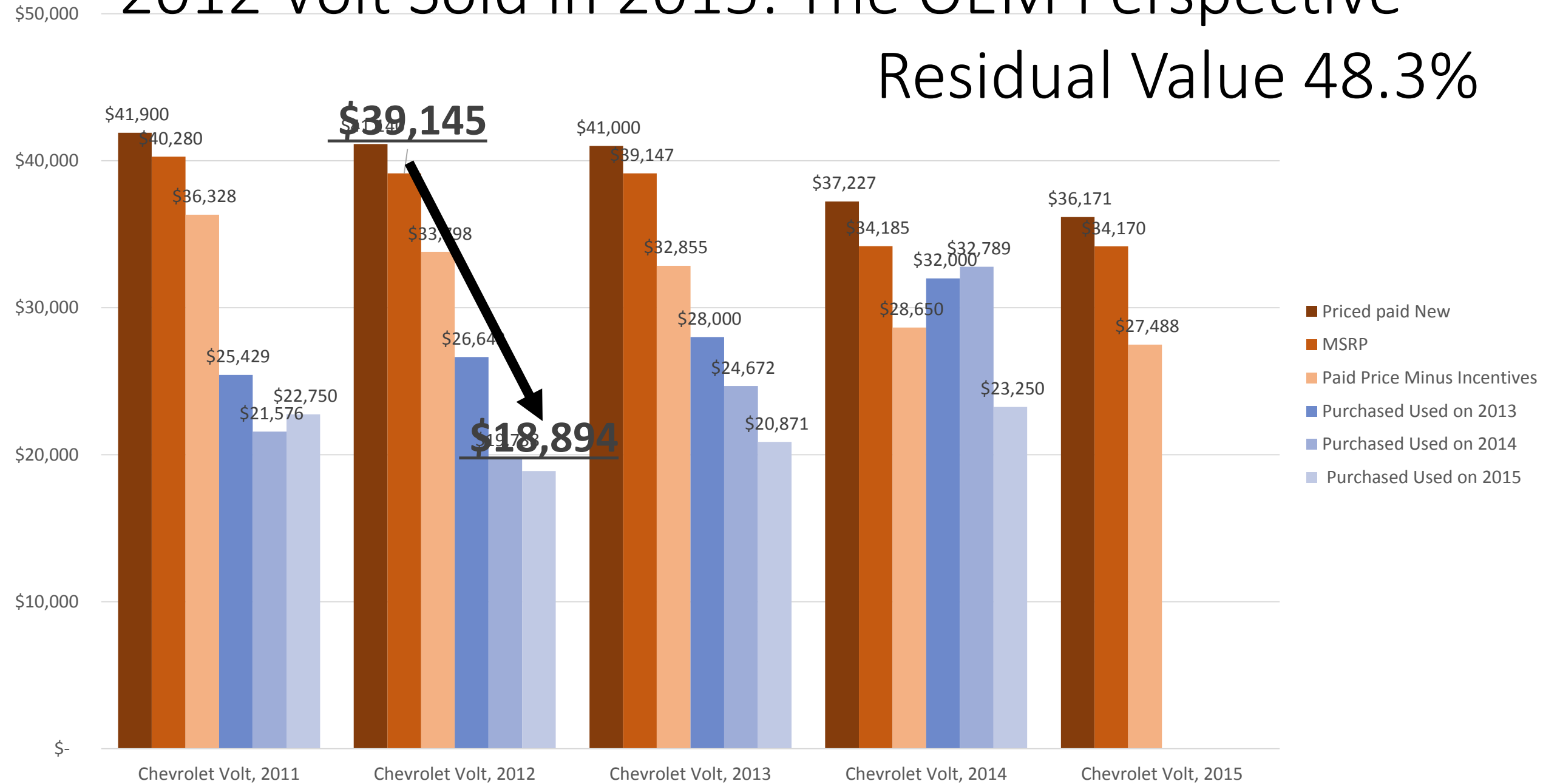
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## Residual Value 55.0%



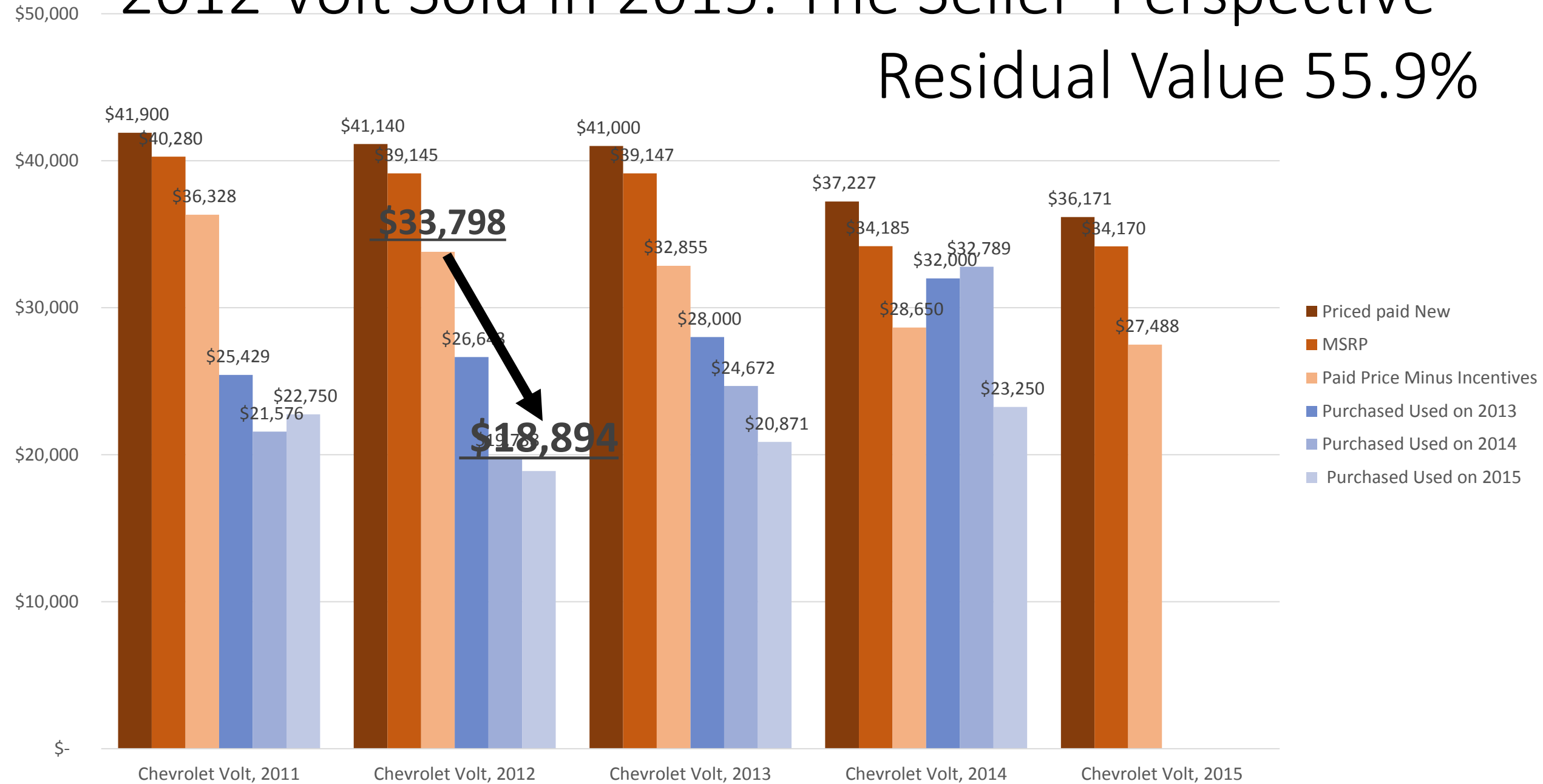
# 2012 Volt Sold in 2015: The OEM Perspective

## Residual Value 48.3%



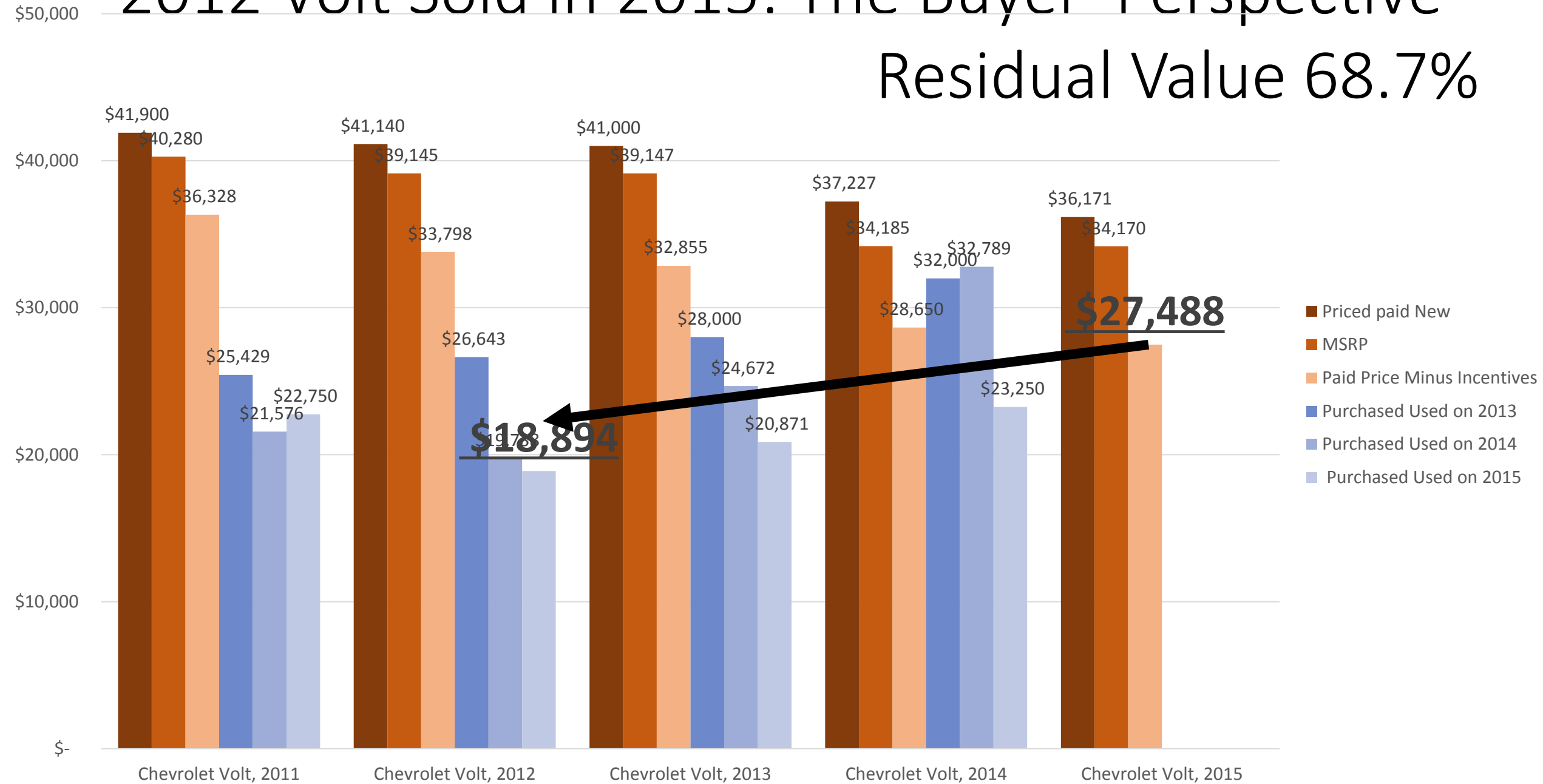
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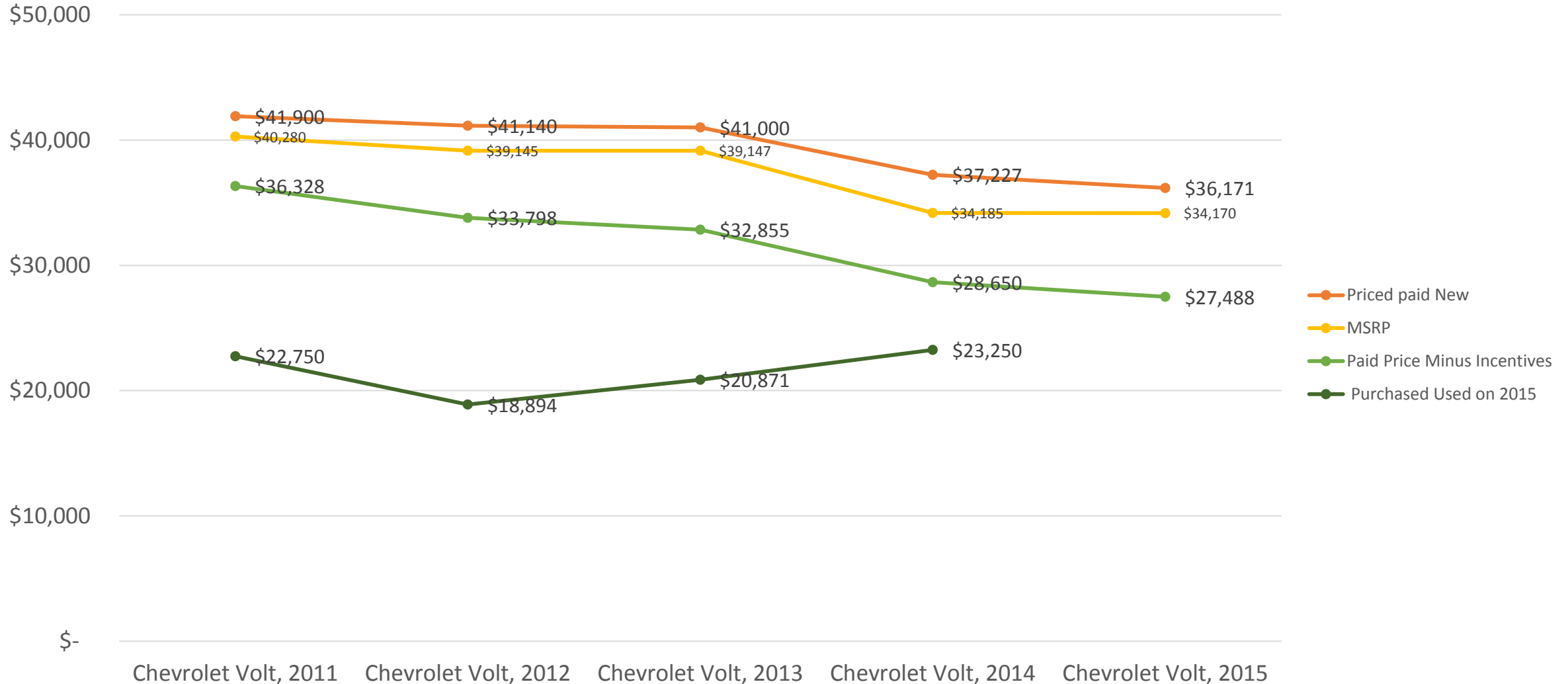


# 2012 Volt Sold in 2015: The Buyer Perspective

## Residual Value 68.7%



# The Price of New Volt Dropped When the first Used Car came out of Lease

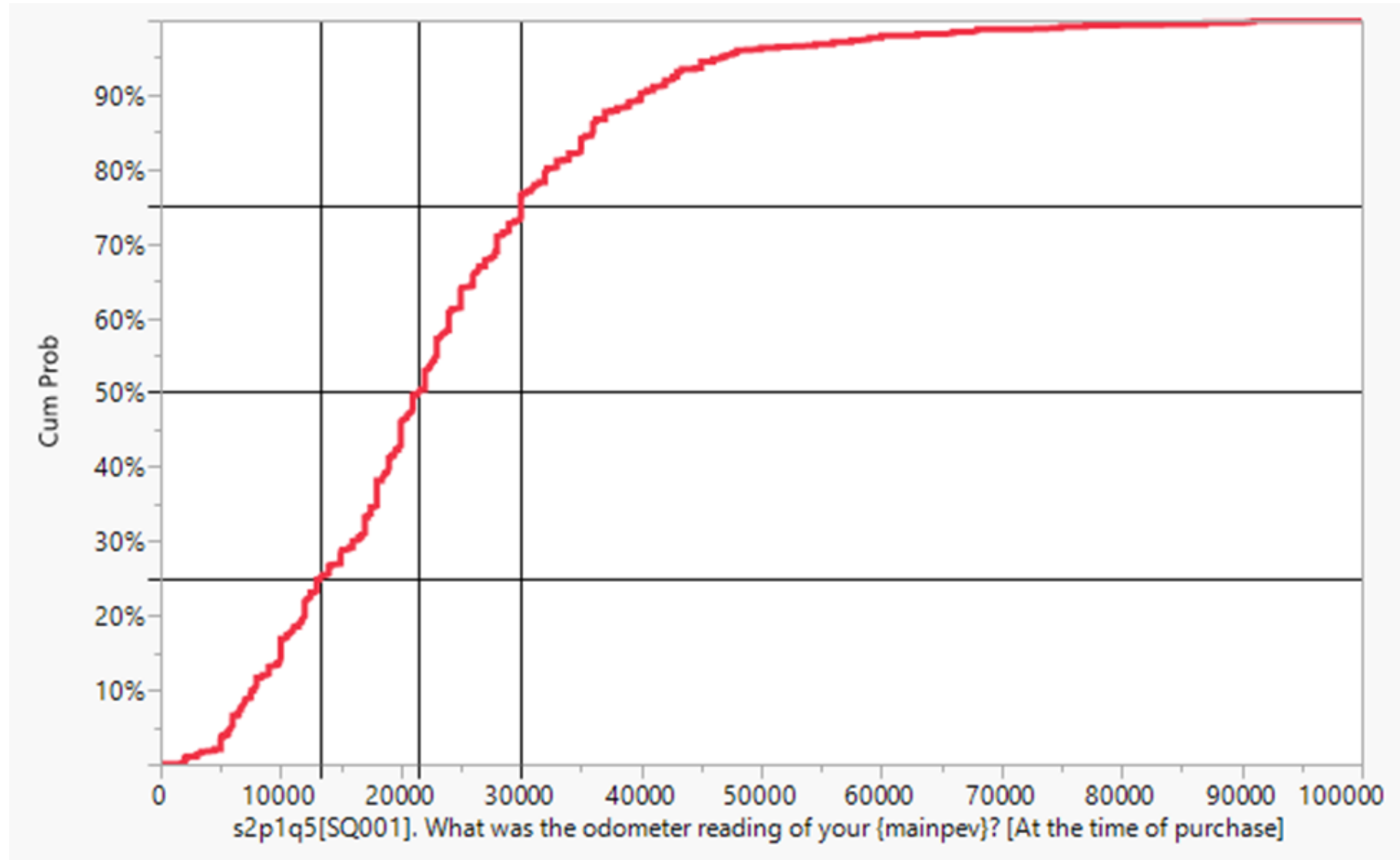




# Residual Value is Between 34% and 99%

	MSRP	Full Price	Price Minus Incentives	Used Price in 2014	Used Price in 2015	price minus incentives of a 2015 model	2015 price over MSRP	2015 price over Paid as New	2015 price over new car price
<b>Nissan Leaf, 2011</b>	\$33,572	\$ 34,990	\$ 26,815	\$ 15,497	\$11,463	\$ 22,779	<b>34%</b>	<b>43%</b>	<b>50%</b>
<b>Nissan Leaf, 2012</b>	\$36,882	\$ 35,852	\$ 26,564		\$12,508	\$ 22,779	<b>34%</b>	<b>47%</b>	<b>55%</b>
<b>Nissan Leaf, 2013</b>	\$31,517	\$ 33,488	\$ 24,380		\$13,912	\$ 22,779	<b>44%</b>	<b>57%</b>	<b>61%</b>
<b>Tesla Model S, 2013</b>	\$87,217	\$ 96,732	\$ 87,974		\$67,338	\$ 105,998	<b>77%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>64%</b>
<b>Ford Fusion Energy, 2013</b>	\$39,235	\$ 41,243	\$ 35,936		\$25,288	\$ 36,214	<b>64%</b>	<b>70%</b>	<b>70%</b>
<b>Chevrolet Volt, 2012</b>	\$39,145	\$ 41,140	\$ 33,798	\$ 24,672	\$20,871	\$ 27,488	<b>53%</b>	<b>62%</b>	<b>76%</b>
<b>Chevrolet Volt, 2013</b>	\$39,174	\$ 41,000	\$ 32,855	\$ 24,672	\$20,871	\$ 27,488	<b>53%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>76%</b>
<b>Ford C-Max Energy, 2013</b>	\$31,665	\$ 35,014	\$ 29,664		\$22,875	\$ 29,900	<b>72%</b>	<b>77%</b>	<b>77%</b>
<b>Toyota Prius Plug-in, 2012</b>	\$38,195	\$ 36,211	\$ 32,273	\$ 24,823	\$22,973	\$ 27,951	<b>60%</b>	<b>71%</b>	<b>82%</b>
<b>Toyota Prius Plug-in, 2013</b>	\$38,704	\$ 34,259	\$ 30,394		\$24,412	\$ 27,951	<b>63%</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>87%</b>
<b>Toyota Prius Plug-in, 2014</b>	\$34,307	\$ 31,726	\$ 27,759		\$27,525	\$ 27,951	<b>80%</b>	<b>99%</b>	<b>98%</b>

# Odometer Reading at Purchase



Used PEV price is, as in any car, correlated positively with the MSRP and negatively with time on the road and mileage

- PHEV remains on average a 10.3% higher value compared to the MSRP than BEVs
- PEVs with HOV access sticker receive \$1,430 more than PEVs without an HOV sticker.

**Table 3: Parameter Estimates for price paid when purchasing used PEV**

Term	Estimate	Std Error	t Ratio	Prob> t
Intercept	6091.0037	2070.067	2.94	0.0034*
PEV Type [electric]	-1958.399	241.1654	-8.12	<.0001*
PEV age when purchased (years)	-2950.497	249.7977	-11.81	<.0001*
HOV Sticker [No]	-715.6517	252.7792	-2.83	0.0048*
Miles when purchased	-0.101106	0.016713	-6.05	<.0001*
Price paid when new	0.6887149	0.049827	13.82	<.0001*

**Summary of Fit**

RSquare	0.602079
RSquare Adj	0.598208
Root Mean Square Error	4642.141
Mean of Response	20814.7
Observations (or Sum Wgts)	520

**Analysis of Variance**

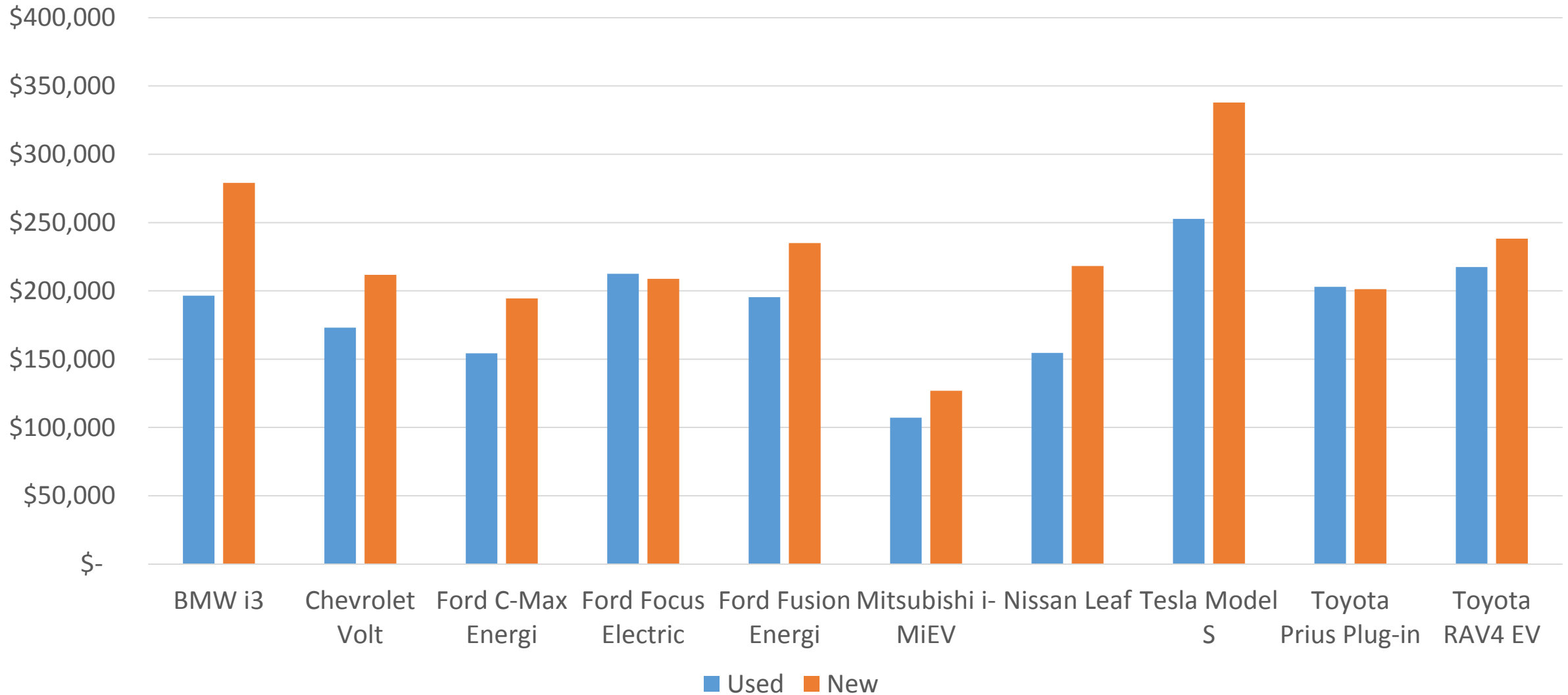
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Ratio
Model	5	1.6759e+10	3.3519e+9	155.5426
Error	514	1.1076e+10	21549476	<b>Prob &gt; F</b>
C. Total	519	2.7836e+10		<.0001*

**Lack of Fit**

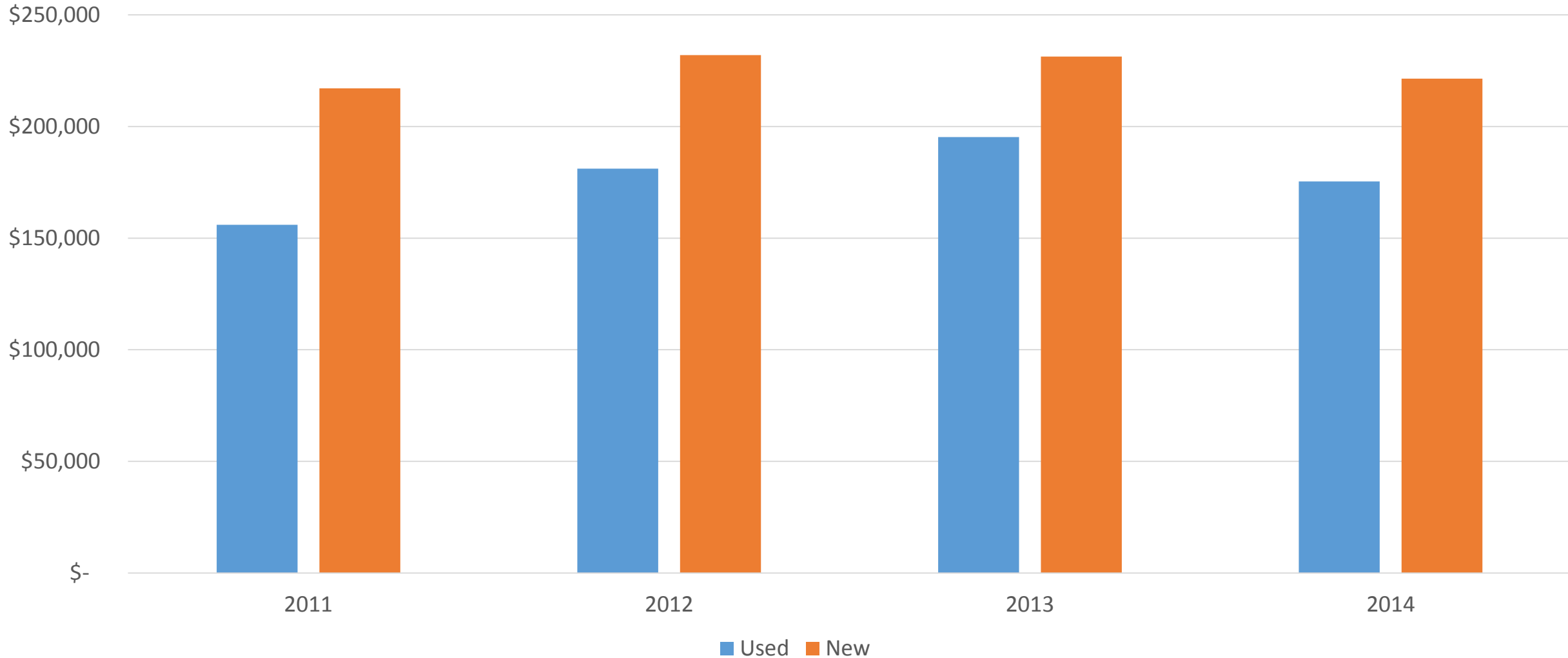
Source	DF	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F Ratio
Lack Of Fit	472	1.0422e+10	22080574	1.4172
Pure Error	42	654400057	15580954	<b>Prob &gt; F</b>
Total Error	514	1.1076e+10		0.0819
				<b>Max RSq</b>
				0.9765

Who Purchases Used PEVs?

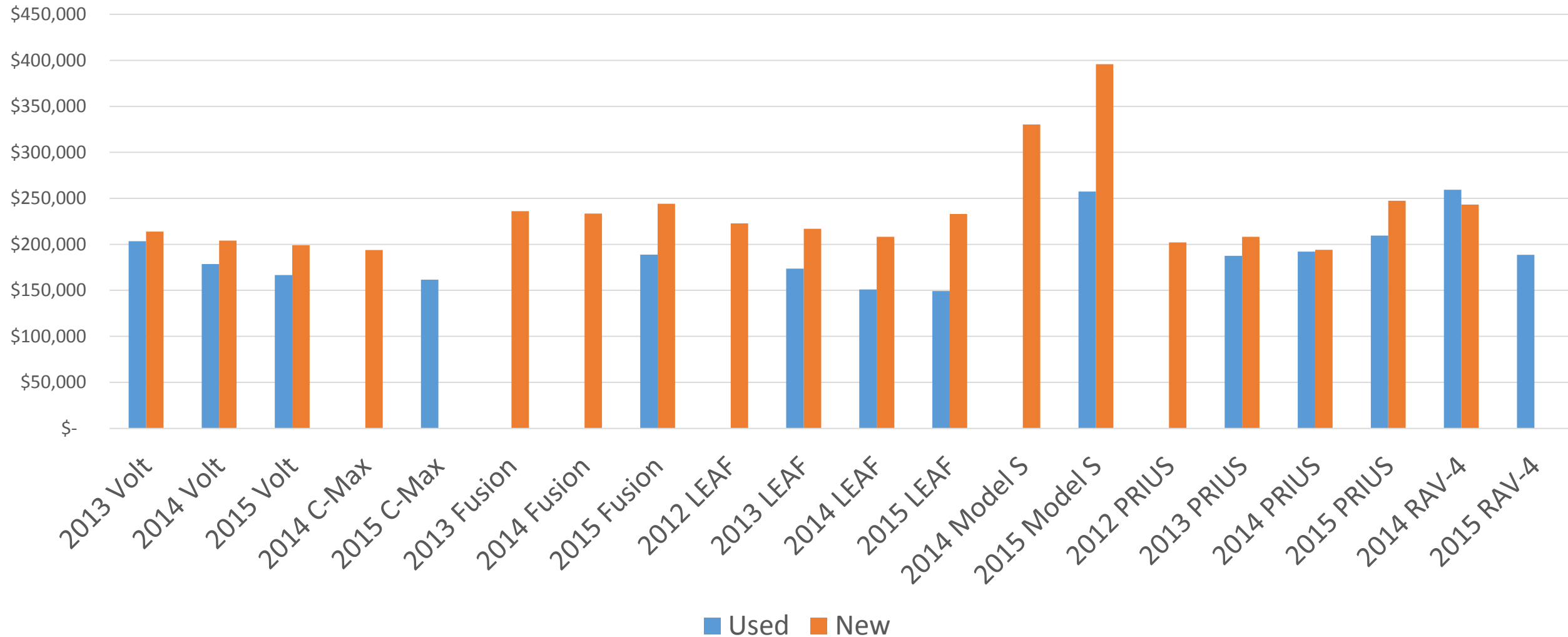
# Household Income of New and Used Buyers



# Household Income of New and Used Buyers: By Model Year



# Household Income of New and Used Buyers: By Purchase Year



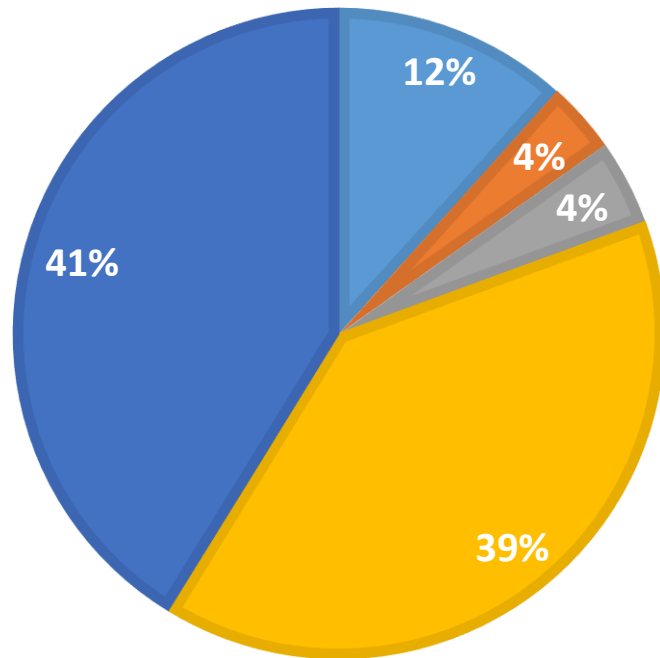
# Knowledge and Motivations



# Household Fleet

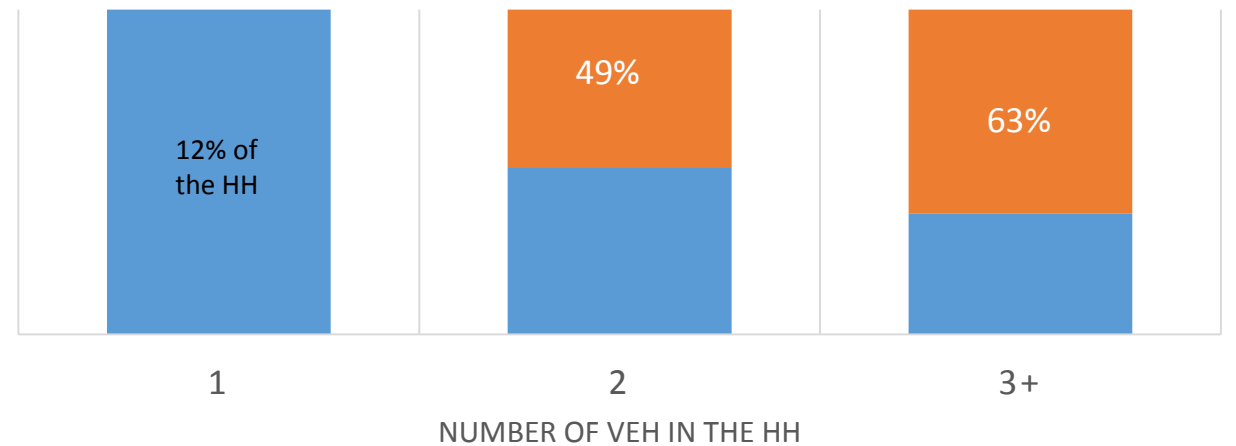
## HOUSEHOLD FLEET

■ One PEV ■ 2 PEVs with no ICE ■ 2 PEVs With ICEs ■ One PEV and one ICE ■ One PEV and 2+ ICEs

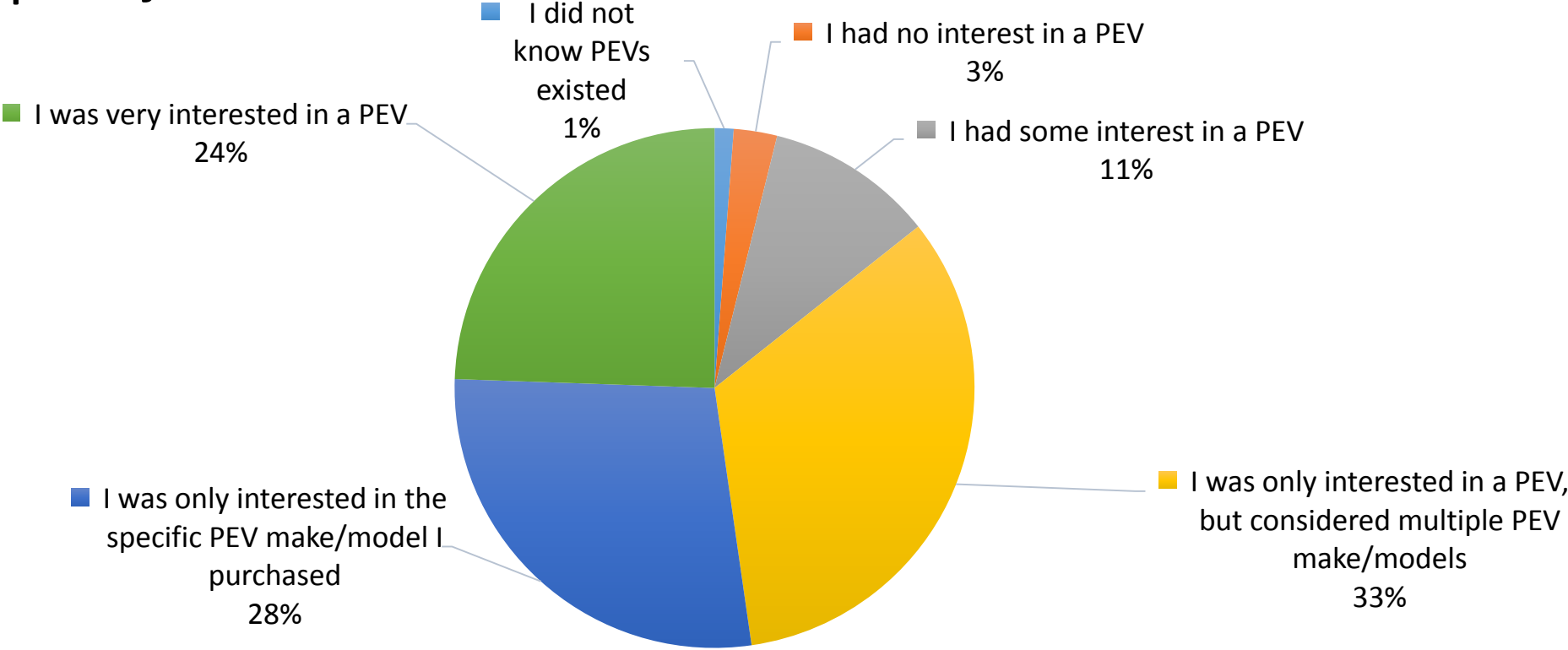


## NEW AND USED CARS IN THE HH FLEET

■ Used only ■ Mix

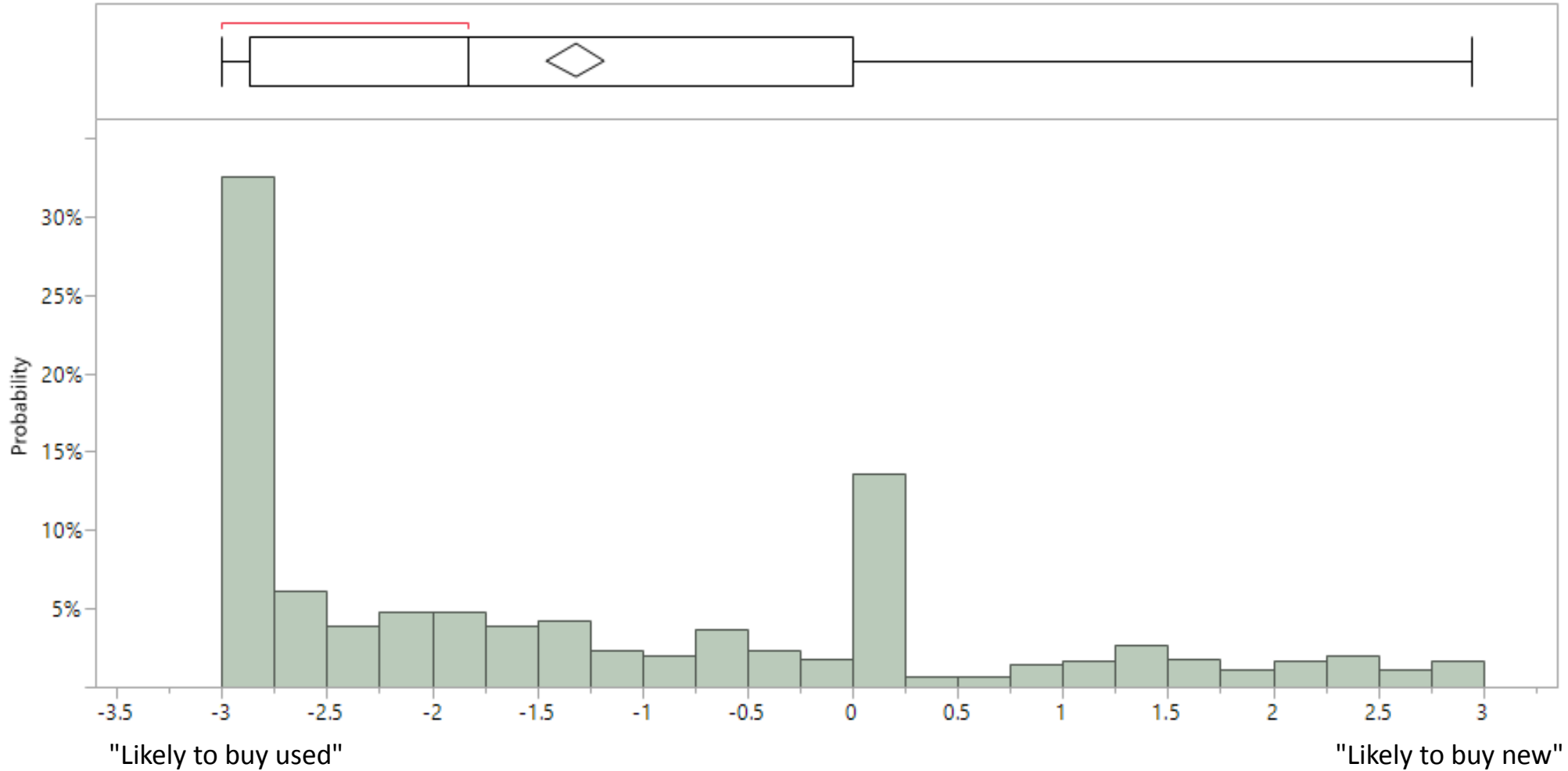


Which of the following statements best describes your interest in acquiring a Plug-in Electric Vehicle (PEV) when you started your search for your {mainpev}?



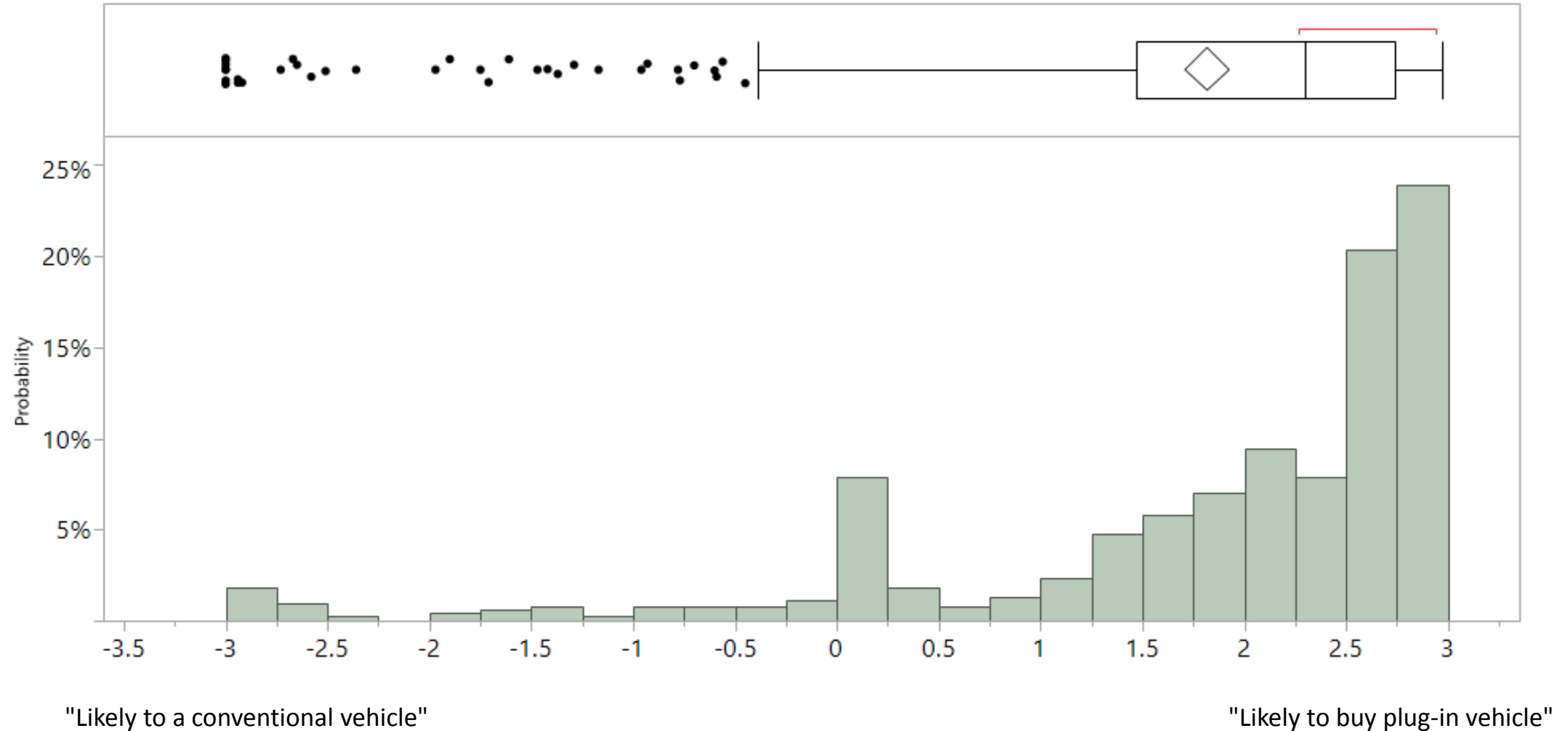
# What did they look for?

- When comparing new cars to used cars, throughout your shopping experience for your {mainpev}, were you more likely to buy a new or used vehicle?

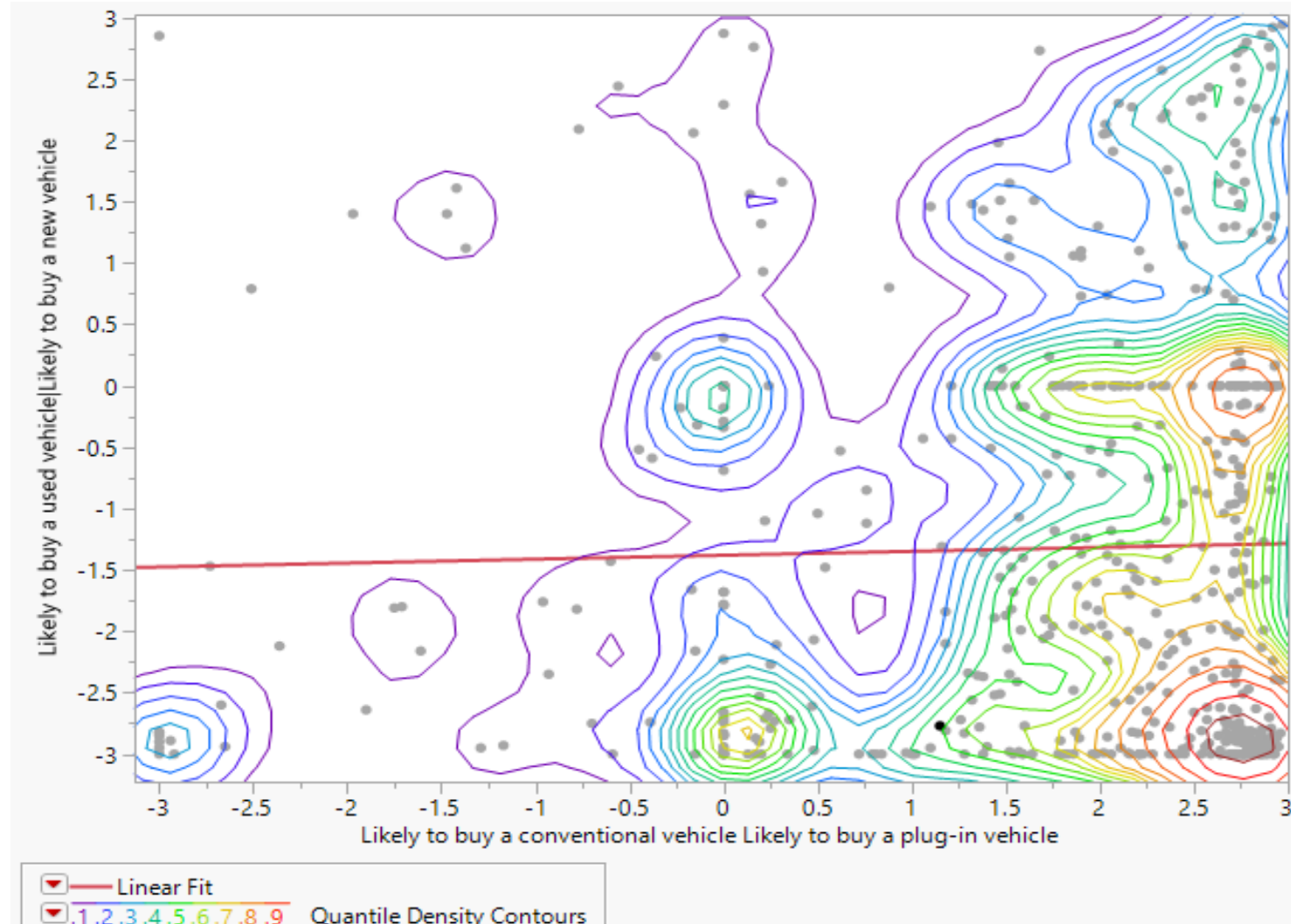


# What did they look for?

When comparing conventional vehicles to plug-in vehicles, throughout your shopping experience for your {mainpev}, were you more likely to buy a conventional or plug-in vehicle?

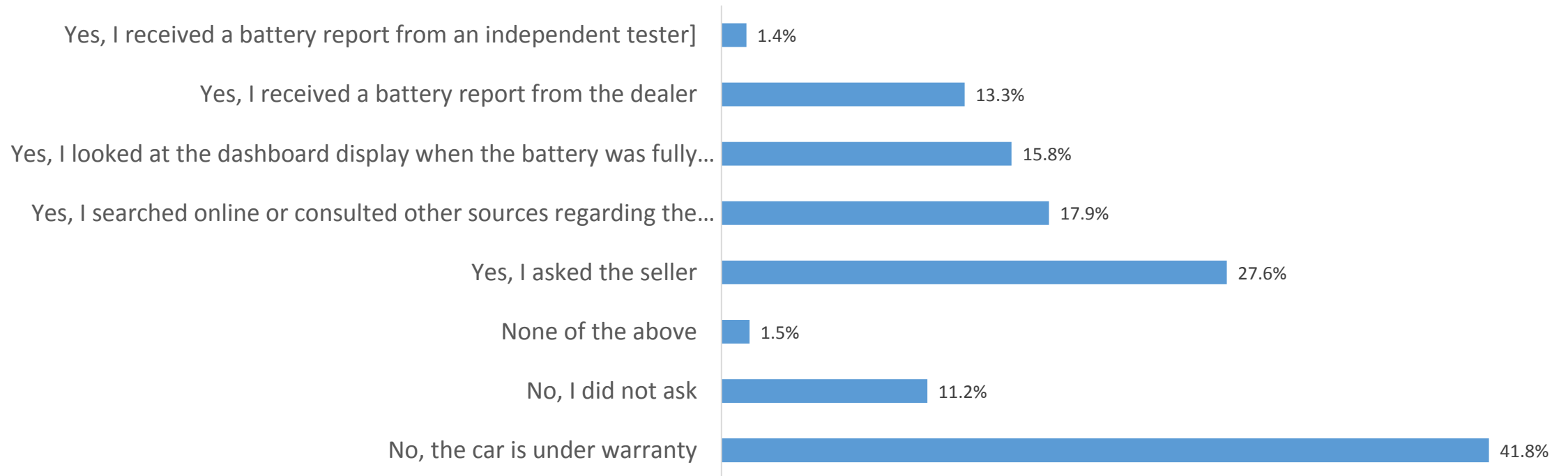


# No Potential Buyers Of New ICEs Who Bought Used PEVs



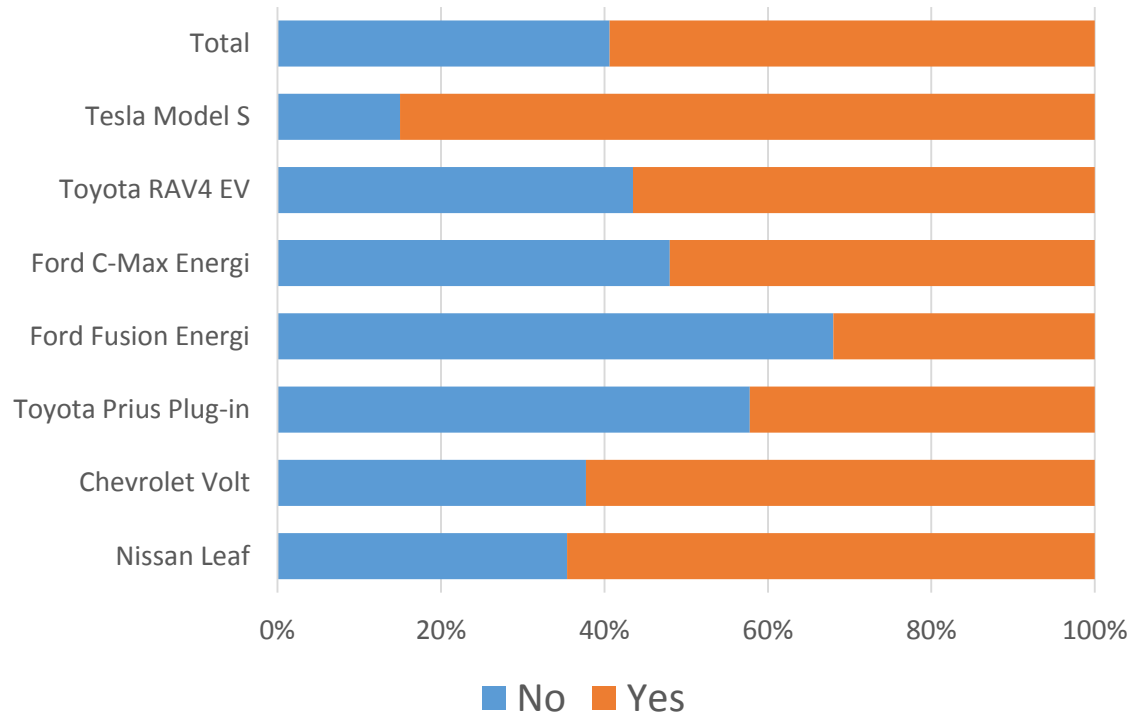
# What about technical knowledge?

When buying your {mainpev} did you ask about the condition of its battery?

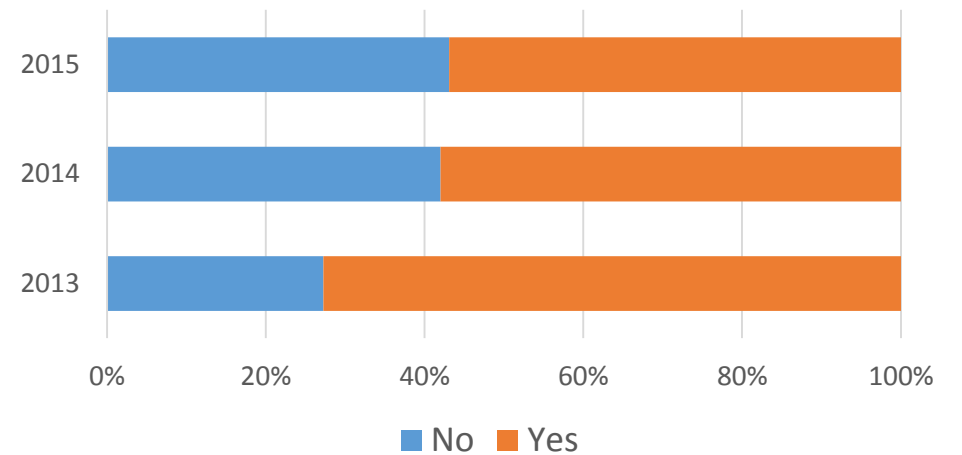


When buying or leasing a new {carmain}, or a similar new plug-in car you may (or may not) be eligible for different incentives that may reduce the price of the new vehicle in your area. When buying your vehicle were you aware of any of the "Federal Tax Credit"?

Federal Tax by Vehicle

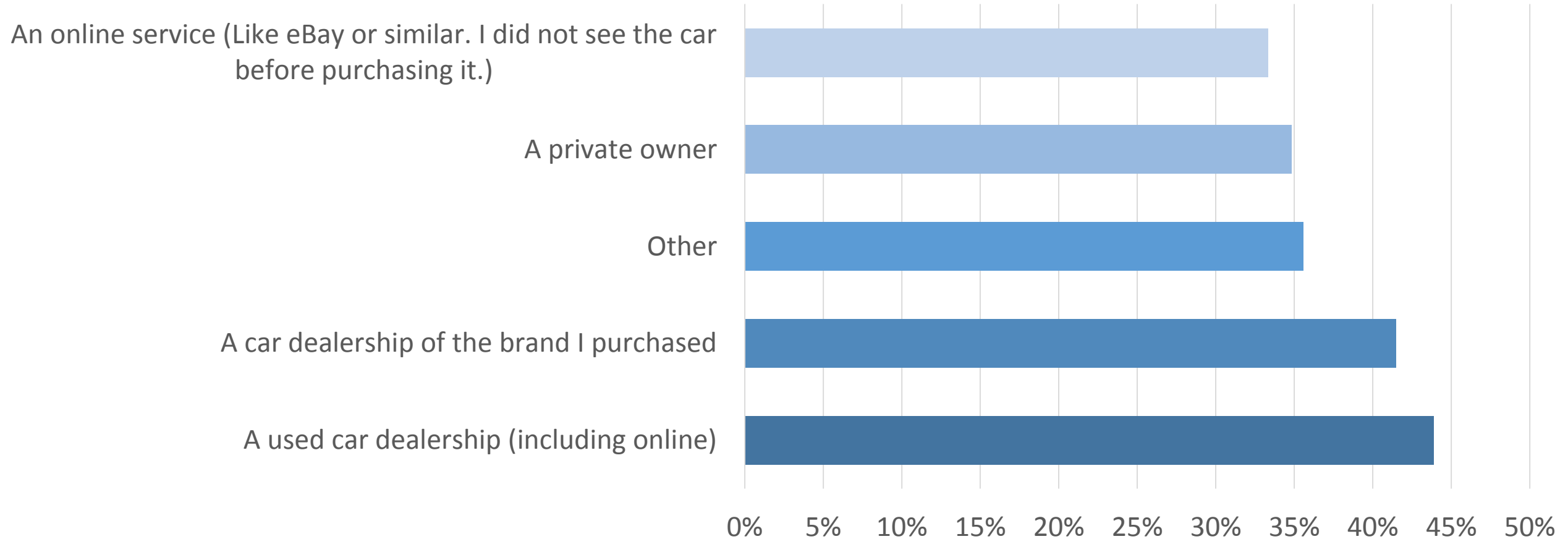


Federal Tax by Purchase Year



# Dealers are Not Helping

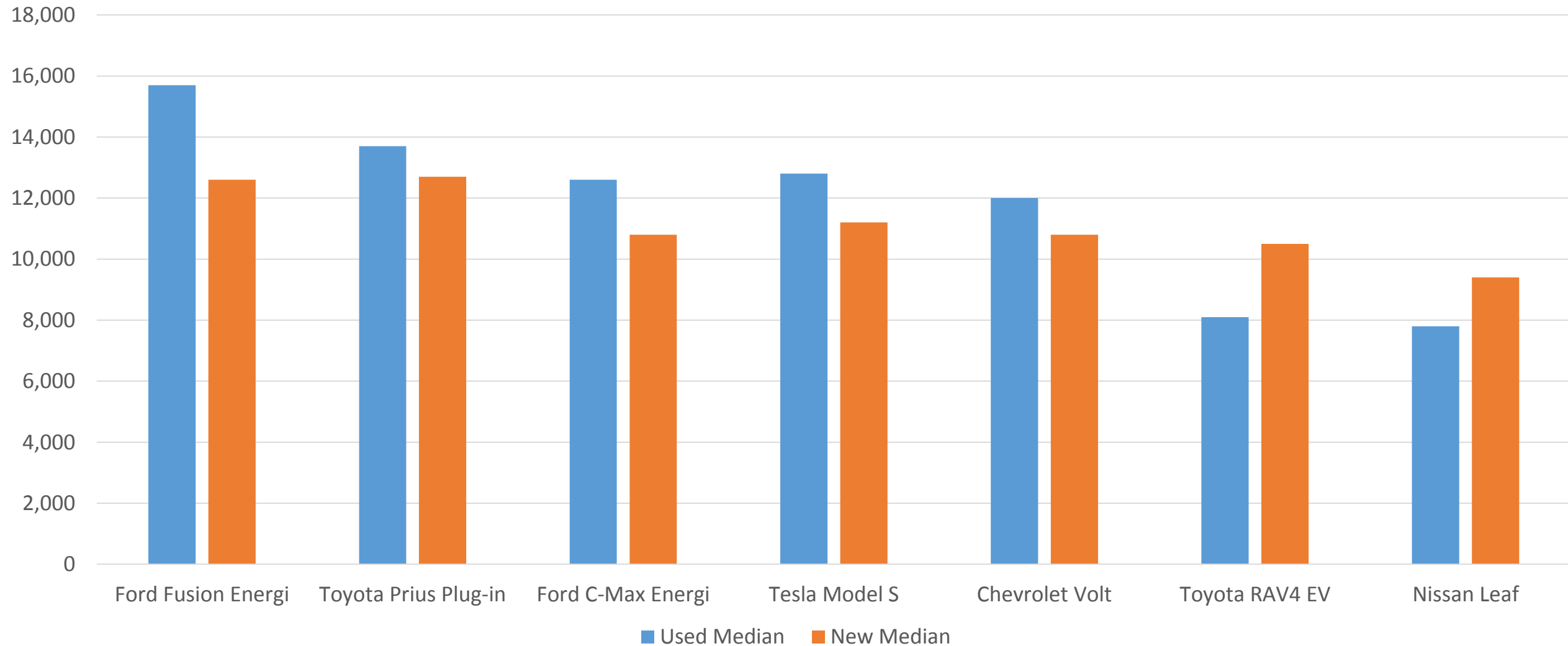
Share of "not aware of the federal tax credit"



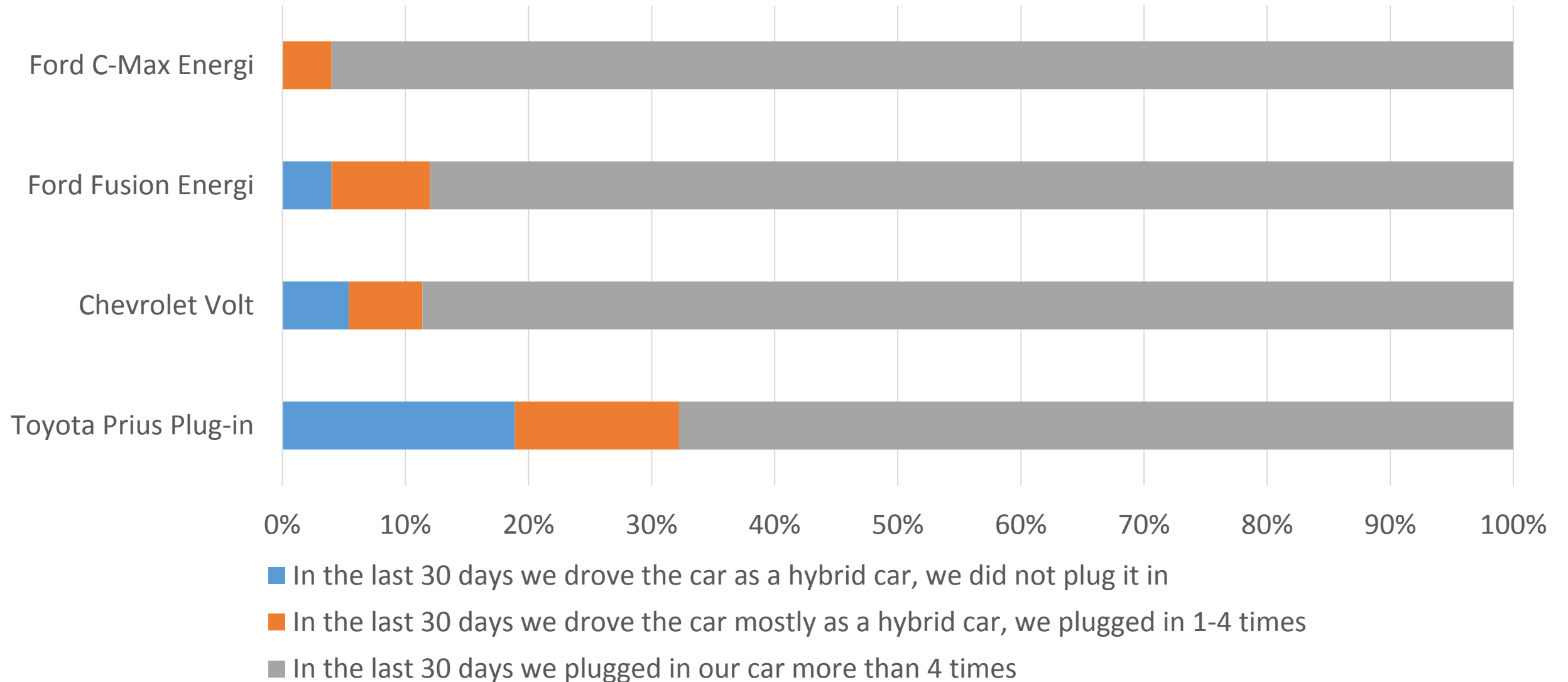


Used PEV Usage

# Used PEVs are driven more than New PEVs except LEAFs and RAV4



# But they plug in less



# What do we know about the secondary market so far

- Residual value is in the eye of the beholder as
  - Price of new PEVs dropped over time
  - Some buyers had the right knowledge to calculate actual cost
  - BEVs price dropped more than PHEVs
  - HOV access may be part of the story
- Second owners have lower income than first owners, but not by much.
- Most of the buyers were looking for a used PEV, very few start with a different car in mind.
- Knowledge (awareness and education) is most likely the key for a strong secondary market
- Used PEV buyers are more utilitarian than new PEV buyers as reflected by their high driving need but they may be less committed to electric driving not always plugging in their vehicle

# What do we know that we don't know

- Overall buyers of used PEVs purchased a vehicle that
  - They plan to buy
  - They learn about it in advance
  - Is relatively new with low mileage and in most cases under warranty
  - Is at a relatively low price
- This may not be the case when the PEV market will contain more older vehicles with high mileage and over the battery and powertrain warranty limit.

# Thank you

Questions?

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