

THE AUTOMOTIVE VALUE-CAPTURE GAP

Why the next automotive opportunity is not selling more cars — but capturing more value from every car.



Manufacturing → transaction → installed-fleet economics → secondary market → circular recovery

01 | THE THESIS

The car is not a one-time product. It is a recurring economic platform.

Two economies can sell the same vehicle — and capture radically different domestic value.

LINEAR CAPTURE

IMPORT → SELL → TAX

- First-sale value is captured.
- Downstream parts and services remain import-dependent or informal.
- Used-car and end-of-life value leaks outside the formal ecosystem.

LIFECYCLE CAPTURE

BUILD → SERVICE → RESELL → RECOVER

- Supplier value is localized.
- Aftermarket keeps value circulating around the installed fleet.
- Secondary and recovery markets become formal economic layers.

The strategic question shifts from market size to domestic value retained per vehicle.

02 | GLOBAL PATTERN

The value-capture spectrum is global —but every economy captures different layers.

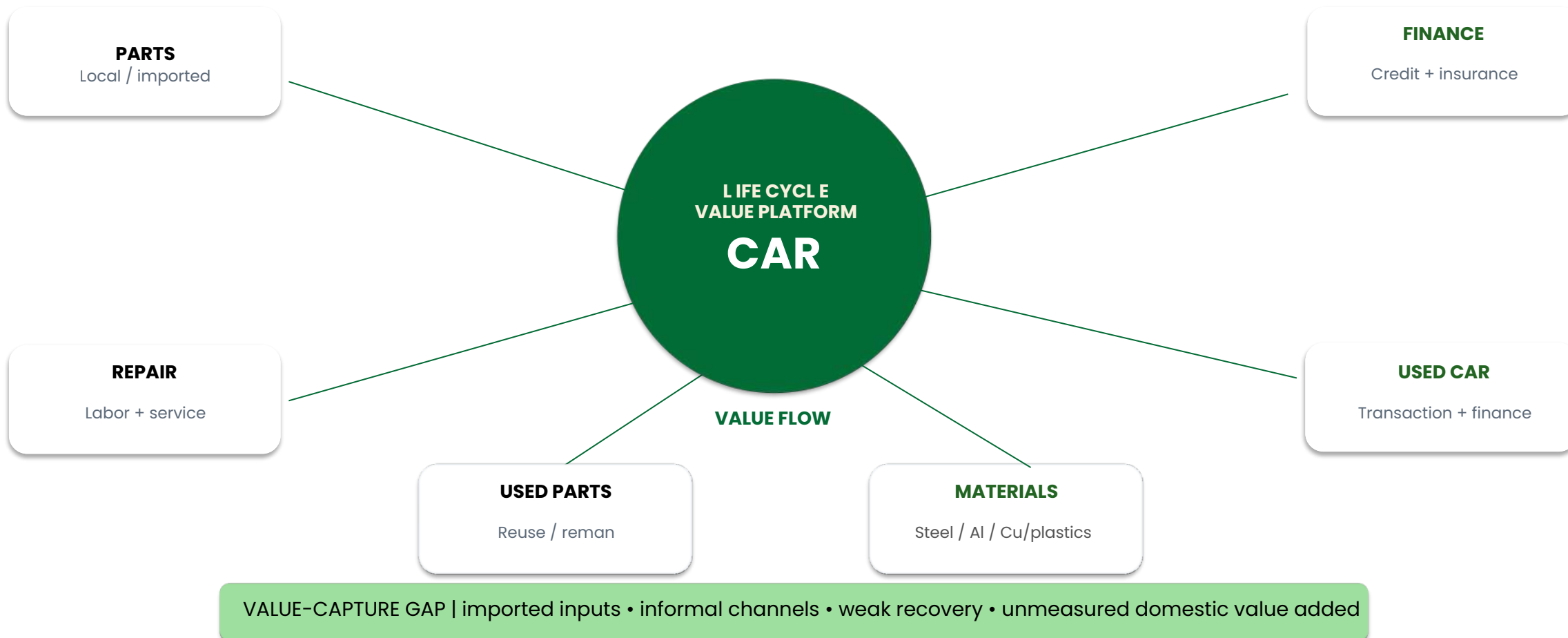
From integrated automotive powerhouses to large consumer markets, the strategic question is where lifecycle value stays local.

INTEGRATED POWERHOUSE	USA / Germany / Japan	Manufacturing + suppliers + aftermarket + finance + recovery
EXPORT MANUFACTURING HUB	China / Korea	Scale + components + exports + supplier ecosystems
ASSEMBLY → EXPORT PLATFORM	Mexico / Morocco	OEM assembly + localization + regional exports
INDUSTRIALIZING MARKET	South Africa / Saudi	Localization + supplier development + cluster building
LARGE CONSUMER MARKET	Egypt / India	Installed fleet + aftermarket + used-car + formalization opportunity

The point is not to rank countries. It is to identify which value pools each model captures —and which remain open.

Where does the value go after the car is sold?

The vehicle becomes an economic platform: each life cycle stage creates a new value pool – and a potential leakage point.



Conceptual SPE framework. Gross activity, fiscal revenue and domestic value added must remain separate measures.

Five markets. One lifecycle lens.

Use comparable evidence where possible; keep scope visible where datasets differ.

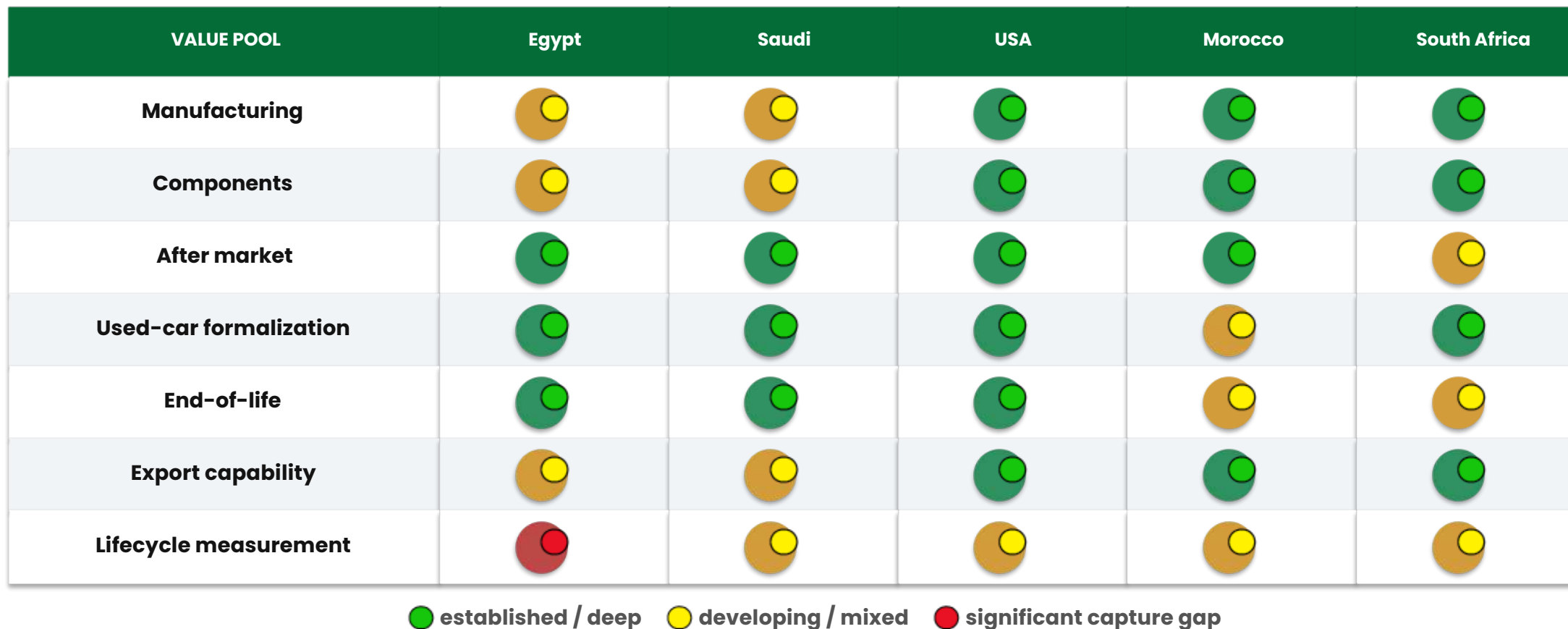
VALUE POOL	Egypt	Saudi	USA	Morocco	South Africa
Installed fleet	11.05M	15.8M*	289M light	—	—
New vehicle sales	173.8k	857k	—	—	—
Manufacturing	Developing	Building	Mature	Strong	Strong
Components	~170 makers	Building	Deep	Strong	~39.7% local content
Aftermarket	\$0.76B services	\$5.67B est.	\$43.5B	\$1.56B est.	Scope varies
Used cars	\$7.53B est.	\$24.53B est.	Very deep	700k+ sales*	R160.1B platform*
Exports	Emerging	Building	Global scale	MAD 15.7B *	R291B*
End-of-life	Gap	Formalizing	Mature	New circular push	Formal framework

* Scope/year differs from other markets; these figures are not directly rankable.

Master evidence matrix, September 2026 refresh. Third-party estimates are labeled; no artificial normalization.

The strategic gap is ecosystem depth –not simply market size.

Qualitative heatmap based on evidence depth and formalization; it is not a statistical ranking.



06 | EGYPT

Egypt's opportunity is to monetize the installed base —not only expand assembly.

The fleet already creates downstream demand; the missing piece is deeper, measurable domestic capture.

11.05M

licensed vehicles

6.0M

cars

\$7.53B

used-carmarket
activity est.

\$0.76B

aftermarket services est.

WHERE VALUE CAN BE CAPTURED NEXT

LOCALIZE

→ **supplier depth**

FORMALIZE

→ **used-car + repair**

RECOVER

→ **ELV + parts**

MEASURE

→ **DVA / vehicle**

WHAT THE DATA DOES NOT YET GIVE US

- National component manufacturing output value
- National ELV / scrap value
- A harmonized lifecycle DVA per vehicle

That is a measurement gap —and potentially a policy opportunity.

07 | BENCHMARKS

The benchmark is not 'more factories'. It is deeper value capture around every vehicle.

Morocco and South Africa show how manufacturing becomes more valuable when supplier, export and employment ecosystems deepen.

MOROCCO | EXPORT ECOSYSTEM

MAD 157 B

auto exports
2024

220K

jobs

>65%

local
integration

- OEM assembly feeds suppliers and exports.
- Stellantis circular dismantling adds a recovery layer.
- The ecosystem multiplies value beyond the plant.

SOUTH AFRICA | INDUSTRIAL ECOSYSTEM

R291B

2025

≈457K

formal-
sector jobs
supported

5.2%

GDP contribution

- Local content creates a measurable domestic value layer.
- Exports make supplier capability economically scalable.
- The ecosystem is the asset —not assembly alone.

08 | SAUDI ARABIA

Saudi Arabia is building a full automotive ecosystem —from OEM assembly to components and downstream mobility services.

The strategy combines production scale, localization and supplier development to deepen domestic value

capture.
860K
vehicles sold in 2024

600K
production target / year by 2035

40%
local GVA target

\$5.67B
aftermarket estimate

VALUE CHAIN

LOCALIZE OEM+supplier development

SUPPLY Components + industrial services

SCALE Manufacturing capacity

EXPORT regional manufacturing + exports

VALUE-CAPTURE SHIFT MARKET → LOCALIZATION → EXPORT CAPABILITY

Invest Saudi / national automotive strategy sources. Production target is a target, not current production.

Where is the next \$1 of automotive value likely to come from?

The answer depends on where a market sits on the value-capture spectrum.

MATURE AUTOMOTIVE ECONOMIES

Optimization • remanufacturing • circularity • connected services

EXPORT-ORIENTED HUBS

Supplier localization • components • logistics • regional exports

LARGE CONSUMER MARKETS

Aftermarket • used-car finance • inspection • repair networks

LOCALIZATION TRANSITIONS

OEM capacity • supplier development • industrial clusters

CIRCULARITY FRONTIERS

Dismantling • used parts • metals • plastics • batteries

THE COMMON PRINCIPLE

Capture the next value pool around the installed fleet —not only the next vehicle sale.

10 | WHAT CHANGES

The next automotive investment cycle will be about value capture, not just vehicle volume.

This creates five priority value pools for investment and policy.

01

SUPPLIER LOCALIZATION

Move from assembly depth to supplier depth.

02

AFTERMARKET FORMALIZATION

Turn installed fleets into recurring domestic activity.

03

USED-CAR INFRASTRUCTURE

Finance, inspection, warranties, tax and digital marketplaces.

04

END-OF-LIFE ECONOMY

Dismantling, used parts, metals, plastics, batteries.

05

LIFECYCLE DATA

Measure domestic value added per vehicle over its life.

The strategic KPI should evolve from “cars sold” → “value captured per car”.

Automotive Value Capture (AVC): six questions for any country.

Use the same diagnostic across markets to identify where value is created, where it leaks, and where to intervene.

CAN WE BUILD?

Local manufacturing

CAN WE SUPPLY?

Components + suppliers

CAN WE SERVICE?

Aftermarket + repair

CAN WE RESELL?

Formal secondary market

CAN WE RECOVER?

Dismantling + recycling

CAN WE EXPORT?

Regional / global value chain

OUTPUT **A country profile of domestic value capture —not a league table.**

THE GLOBAL CONCLUSION

**The winning automotive economy
is not necessarily the one that sells the most cars.**

It is the one that captures the most value from each car—across its entire economic life.



FROM MARKET SIZE → TO VALUE CAPTURE

APPENDIX | METHODOLOGY

How to read the evidence.

Scoped discipline is part of the insight: comparable figures are compared; non-comparable figures are explicitly labeled.

MARKET ACTIVITY

Gross transaction / market estimates. Useful for scale, not domestic value added.

GOVERNMENT REVENUE

Taxes, duties and fiscal mechanisms. Do not add to market size.

DOMESTIC VALUE ADDED

Value retained by local production, services, wages and supplier activity.

EMPLOYMENT

Industry or value-chain employment, depending on source scope.

EXPORTS

Foreign-exchange / ecosystem capability indicator; not the same as domestic profit.

END-OF-LIFE

Recovery, dismantling and recycling evidence remains less consistently measured globally.

Core evidence base: SPE Automotive Value-Capture Master Data Audit, September 2026.

Selected global anchors used to frame the insight.

The global thesis is anchored in established value-chain and circular-economy research.

IEA —What Next for the Global Car Industry (2025)

Global car market ~\$2.9T; automotive share of manufacturing GVA; downstream economic multiplier evidence.

OECD —The Future of the Automotive Value Chain (2024)

Value-chain framing from upstream materials through OEMs, services and recycled components.

European Commission —ELV Regulation (2026)

Circularity, dismantling, recycled content, traceability and producer responsibility across the vehicle lifecycle.

National / industry sources

IEA, S&P Global, OICA, China, India, Germany, Korea, Japan, InvestSA, S&P Global Mobility, BLS, NAMA, S&P Global, OICA, China, India, Germany, Korea, Japan

Important: estimates retain their original scope/year; they are not silently harmonized.



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