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## ***BYD has officially overtaken Tesla as the world's largest manufacturer of all-electric vehicles (BEVs) for the full year of 2025.***

And it wasn't even close.

According to data released, BYD ended 2025 with **2.26 million all-electric vehicles sold**. That represents a massive 28% year-over-year increase for its battery-electric vehicle (BEV) lineup. In comparison, Tesla reported **1.64 million deliveries** for the full year of 2025, marking an approximate 9% decline from 2024.

This means BYD outsold Tesla by over 600,000 all-electric vehicles last year. And to be clear, we are only talking about all-electric vehicles here. BYD actually sold a total of **4.55 million vehicles** in 2025, with Plug-in Hybrids (PHEV) accounting for the difference.

Interestingly, the split in sales between their powertrains (BEV & PHEV) is now nearly 50/50 %.

Another bright spot for BYD is its international performance. The company's overseas sales surpassed 1 million units for the first time, up 150% from the previous year.

The UK has become BYD's biggest market outside China. Sales surged by over 800% compared to the previous year, and was driven by strong demand for the PHEV SUV model the Seal U, which is available in Seychelles and elsewhere as the Sealion 6. Europe has seen similar trends.

In Singapore meanwhile, BYD now has the largest market share of around 20%. And that is against all brands, who sell all kinds of vehicles not just those that sell BEVs or PHEVs !

### **Awards:**

BYD has received significant recognition in 2025, winning a string of awards. Some examples: **WORLD URBAN CAR OF THE YEAR** for the Dolphin Surf at the World Car Awards in April. The first ever Chinese car to win this. **COMPANYBEST 2025** for best car manufacturer at AUTOBEST in January. **MOST LOVED BRAND 2025** by Autotrader UK in June '25. **MOST IMPROVED MANUFACTURER OF THE YEAR**, and **BEST VALUE CAR** (Dolphin Surf) at UK Business Car Awards in September '25. At the UK Car of the Year Awards in December '25, BYD was crowned UK's **MOST EXCITING CAR BRAND** with the Sealion 7 winning **BEST EV**, and the Dolphin Surf winning **BEST BUDGET CAR**.

**In Seychelles:** In April 2025, BYD cars were launched in the Seychelles. These were introduced by BYD's officially appointed Distributor for Seychelles – **Autocare** - a company of the PMC Group. Local buyers have given the new BYD models an enthusiastic welcome. A wide range of award-winning models, from the

compact Dolphin Surf to the luxurious Sealion 7 and the Shark 6 pickup are on our roads already with proud Seychellois owners. Both the 100% electrics as well as the Plug-in Hybrids are proving popular.

### **Strength in Plug-in Hybrid Offerings**

BYD has significantly strengthened its position in the plug-in hybrid electric vehicle (PHEV) segment, recognizing the diverse preferences of consumers who may prefer hybrid solutions alongside fully electric options. The company offers an extensive range of PHEV models that complement its pure electric vehicles, catering to a broader audience seeking flexibility in their driving experience. With a dedicated team of 120,000 engineers, amongst its 1 million plus employees, BYD possesses a substantial research and development (R&D) edge, allowing it to innovate and enhance its PHEV technology vigorously. This strong focus on R&D not only supports the development of advanced PHEVs but also ensures that they meet the same high standards of performance and sustainability as BYD's all-electric offerings. The Blade Battery is common to both.

### **Technology and Innovation – High Speed Charging**

Thanks to their strong R&D engineering skills, BYD is constantly innovating, revealing new technology developments. They are now preparing to bring their **5-minute Flash Charging** technology to markets beyond China, marking one of the most significant advancements yet in reducing EV charging times to levels comparable with traditional refueling. The system, recently demonstrated on one of BYD's latest models in Beijing, boosted the vehicle's battery from low state to over 50% in under five minutes—an achievement that could reshape expectations for public fast-charging.

While this may not yet lead to huge excitement for Seychelles, given our short daily travel distances and no real need here, yet, for public fast chargers, it promises big advantages for larger countries.

As BYD's founder and CEO, Wang Chuanfu said “ *BYD's achievement in becoming the world leader in electric vehicle sales marks a significant milestone in the transition to sustainable mobility. We are dedicated to innovation, quality, and sustainability, and we will continue to lead the charge in the EV industry.*”

