

Motor industry bailout

Detroit's Big Three auto makers, General Motors, Ford and Chrysler, have appealed for a combined \$34 billion in low-cost loans from the U.S. government. GM says it will be bankrupt by year's end without a \$4bn cash infusion this month



Loans requested

\$18bn

\$9bn

\$7bn

Employees

266,000

66,409

87,700

Percentage drop in sales Nov 2008, compared with Nov 2007

