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# who we are

## About the industry

The 533,000 businesses in the auto care industry form a coast-to-coast network of independent manufacturers, distributors, repair shops, marketers and retailers small and large. At its core, this integrated grid of professionals is dedicated to providing the quality parts, products and vehicle service and repair for all 280 million cars and trucks on the road today.

But the industry is far more than our total number of businesses. We represent choice: because drivers should be free to decide for themselves where to go for car care, even if it means their own driveway or garage. We represent innovation: working relentlessly to provide parts and service designed to last longer, perform better and keep you safe. And when we say “independence drives us,” it means your independence as well as ours. We aren’t dedicated to just one kind of vehicle—we’re dedicated to every vehicle. The auto care industry keeps cars moving so we can keep lives moving.

Further details about our dynamic industry are outlined in our [State of the Auto Care Industry Report](#).

## About the association

The Auto Care Association is the voice of the \$392 billion plus auto care industry. We provide advocacy, educational, networking, technology, market intelligence and communications resources to serve the collective

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# what we do

The Auto Care Association serves our members in a variety of important ways, each designed to help them maintain their position as innovative and impactful businesses. Our **government affairs** department represents the industry's complex set of interests before federal and state legislators and regulators, and advocates for policies that are favorable to our member businesses. We develop standards and best practices in e-commerce and **technology** to help lower costs and increase efficiency. We develop our members' **professional skills** with a full **calendar of education, meetings and events**.

Our **market intelligence** experts assess trends that are reshaping the industry, and our **international program** assists members seeking opportunities in the lucrative global market. The association's award-winning **communications** keep members informed about critical auto care issues, association programs and initiatives, and connect them with their industry peers.

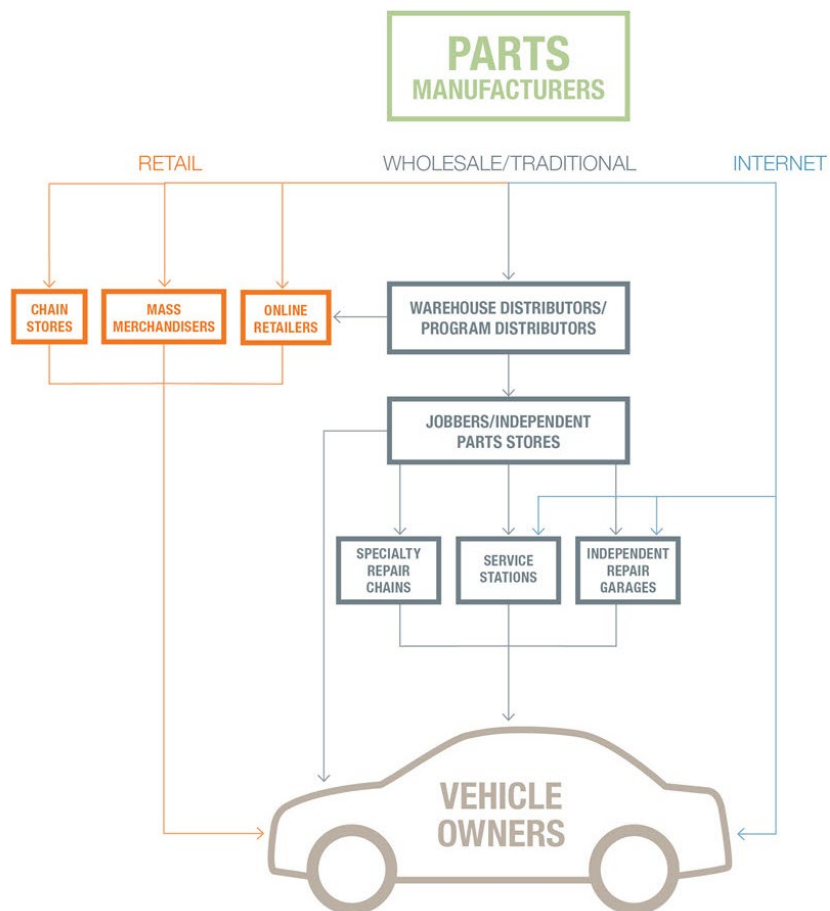
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# events

The automotive industry events listed below are filled with the latest opportunities for career progression, networking and industry information. Auto Care Association is proud to bring you a new events app! Discover new events, connect with attendees and organize your schedules once you've registered through our meetings department. For information on the apps capabilities, how to download the app and troubleshooting, click [here](#).



**RESEND FAXED REGISTRATIONS**  
During the period of Jan. 1 - Jan. 23, 2019, our fax system was inoperative. Please resend your faxed registration if it was submitted during this time.

## 2019 events



### Women in Auto Care Winter Leadership

**Feb. 27-28, 2019 | New Orleans, LA**  
Women in Auto Care is a global community of auto care professionals dedicated to achieving career advancement for women in the automotive aftermarket. The Leadership conference is for auto care industry professionals in any role and part of the supply chain. The conference provides educational sessions, professional development and networking opportunities. We hope you can join us!

### ACPN Knowledge Exchange Conference

**April 28-May 1, 2019 | Tampa, FL**  
At the ACPN Knowledge Exchange, catalog managers can learn how to develop more accurate catalogs, gain insights on more efficient production processes and become aware of new technology and techniques, which will ultimately help them and their companies sell more products, reduce costs, and increase efficiencies.

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### Auto Care Spring Leadership Days

**May 8-10, 2019 | Bonita Springs, FL**

The Auto Care Association's Spring Leadership Days brings together volunteers, association members, and professional staff for several days of meetings aimed at discussing issues and initiatives that are currently affecting our membership and the industry at large. Please join us in Bonita Springs as we address these issues and take advantage of an opportunity to speak up, speak out, and make your voice heard.

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### YANG Leadership Conference

**May 10-11, 2019 | Bonita Springs, FL**

The Young Auto Care Network Group (YANG) Leadership Conference provides a forum to enhance leadership skills, sharpen one's knowledge of the auto care industry and develop new relationships with peers.

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### Paint, Body and Equipment Specialists (PBES) Conference

**May 15-17, 2019 | San Diego, CA**

The PBES Conference brings together the leaders of the automotive aftermarket paint, body and equipment industry for a two day education conference.



### Trade Mission to Colombia

**June 5-6, 2019 | Colombia**

The Auto Care Association is excited to announce a Trade Mission to Colombia. A cost-effective opportunity to gain firsthand market information, meet one-on-one with prospective customers and distributors pre-screened to match your specific business objectives. Trade Mission is open to all companies in the Auto Care Industry.

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### Upholstery and Trim International Council Convention

**Sept. 11-13, 2019 | Las Vegas, NV**

The annual Auto Care Association Upholstery and Trim International Council Convention focuses on



### Auto Care Association Fall Leadership Days and Legislative Summit

**Sept. 18-20, 2019 | Washington, D.C.**

The Auto Care Association's Fall Leadership Days in conjunction with the Legislative Summit brings

building relationships between the premier trim wholesalers and distributors in the industry.

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together volunteers, association members, and professional staff for several days of meetings aimed at discussing issues and initiatives that are currently affecting our membership and the industry at large. Please join us in D.C. as we address these issues and take advantage of an opportunity to speak up, speak out, and make your voice heard. Auto Care executives from the across the country will descend on Washington, D.C. to deliver our industry message to our nation's leaders.



## AAPEX

**Nov. 5-7, 2019 | Las Vegas, NV**

As the annual showcase for the global automotive auto care market, the Automotive Aftermarket Products Expo (AAPEX) engages auto care professionals from around the globe.

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# 2020 events



## Auto Care Association Spring Leadership Days

**May 13-15, 2020 | Denver, CO**

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## Auto Care Association Fall Leadership Days

**Sept. 23-25, 2020 | Baltimore, MD**

The Auto Care Association's Fall Leadership Days brings together volunteers, association members, and professional staff for several days of meetings aimed at discussing issues and initiatives that are currently affecting our membership and the industry at large. Please join us in Baltimore as we address these issues and take advantage of an opportunity to speak up, speak out, and make your voice heard.



## AAPEX

**Nov. 3-5, 2020 | Las Vegas, NV**

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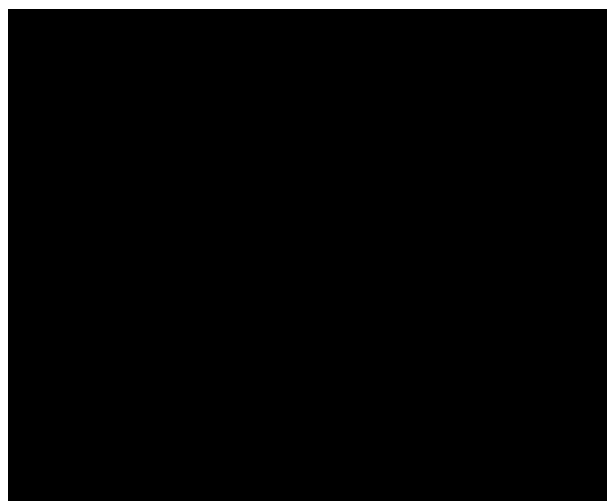
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# government affairs



The Government Affairs team meets with state and federal policymakers on a daily basis, pushing for pro-auto care industry policies. However, we need your help.

Member advocacy takes many forms, from supporting fundraising efforts to reaching out to your elected officials. We want to empower you to become the most effective advocate you can be. Use the links below to get started.

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