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# MINI Cooper triumphs as The Sun's 2024 Car of the Year.

The MINI Cooper has been announced as The Sun's Car of the Year 2024 at their annual awards ceremony.

Launched earlier this year, the MINI Cooper was praised for both its innovative in car technology and iconic handling, with Motors Editor, Rob Gill, commenting; "The MINI Cooper is hands-down our favourite new buy from our head and heart. Classier inside and out, with a less is more approach, and that dinner plate-sized touchscreen carries the same cutting-edge tech as a £100k BMW. Mega fun to drive, as it always has been".

Judges went on to compliment the vehicles UK based manufacturing; "The icing on the cake is that MINI is a homegrown hero. The petrol engines are made at BMW Group Hams Hall, the body panels in Swindon, and the whole thing is put together at MINI Plant Oxford. British engineering at its best" Gill continued.

The win builds on a successful year for the brand, launching an entirely new generation of models across the whole MINI family. With clean exterior design, a world-first circular OLED display and innovative new interior materials, the MINI Cooper is the icon reimagined.

Commenting on the win, Federico Izzo, Director, MINI UK and Ireland said, "2024 has been a fantastic year for the MINI brand, introducing an entirely new model family over the past twelve months. Taking home the highly coveted Car of the Year award for the new MINI Cooper is an honour, and we're grateful to The Sun for continuing to acknowledge the feel-good factor that driving a MINI provides".

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11/10/2024 page 2 The MINI Cooper is available from retailers nationwide and priced from £23,270  $\,$ 

OTR. Further information on the MINI Cooper and the entire MINI range can be

found at www.mini.co.uk.

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In 2023, the BMW Group sold over 2.55 million passenger vehicles and more than 209,000 motorcycles worldwide. The profit before tax in the financial year 2023 was  $\in$  17.1 billion on revenues amounting to  $\in$  155.5 billion. As of 31 December 2023, the BMW Group had a workforce of 154,950 employees.

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