

# BMW GROUP PLANT DINGOLFING. SITE PROFILE.

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Aerial view of the BMW Group automotive plant 02.40.

The Dingolfing plant is the BMW Group's largest production site in Europe. Around 1,500 cars of the BMW 3 Series, 4 Series, 5 Series, 6 Series, 7 Series and 8 Series roll off the assembly lines every day. In total, almost 285,000 vehicles were built at the plant in 2019.

## **Home of BMW's large model series.**

Dingolfing is traditionally known as the production site of BMW's large model series. Since the early 1970s, every generation of the BMW 5, 6 and 7 Series has been built here, including the respective M and Individual variants. The new BMW 7 Series Sedan, the brand's flagship and innovation driver, is also 'made in Dingolfing'. In recent years, the plant's model portfolio was expanded to include variants of the BMW 3 and 4 Series as well, and from July 2018 onwards, the new BMW 8 Series. Thus, the Dingolfing plant proves to be one of the world's most flexible automotive plant.



## **Largest employer in the region.**

At present, a total of approx. 18,000 people work at the BMW Group's site in Dingolfing; on top over 800 young people are trained there in 15 different professions. These numbers make BMW Group Plant Dingolfing not only the largest employer in the region, but also one of Germany's biggest industrial production sites. A sophisticated commuter bus system is in place to bring employees from all over Lower Bavaria to their workplace in Dingolfing and back home.

## **More than a car factory: BMW Group competence centre e-drive production.**

Besides the automotive core production, the Dingolfing site also manufactures vehicle components such as pressed parts as well as chassis and drive components. The car bodies for all Rolls-Royce models are also built here.

Thanks to its extensive aluminum expertise and longstanding experience in producing alternative drives, the Dingolfing plant has also established itself as a Group-wide center of excellence for the production of e-drive components. For years now, the Dingolfing plant has been supplying a significant number of electrification components for the BMW i and plug-in hybrid models of the BMW Group. These components are manufactured at Plant 02.20 (high-voltage battery, electric motor) and Plant 02.10 (high-voltage battery, electric transmission, i3 aluminum chassis) in Dingolfing, which is also responsible for the production of axles for the local vehicle plant and axle differentials for the BMW Group's global production network.

## **Dingolfing – City with a rich automotive tradition.**

Dingolfing's Plant 02.10 has a long tradition. It began as the home of a medium-sized Dingolfing car manufacturer, Hans Glas GmbH – famous in Germany in the 1950s and '60s for the 'Goggomobil' microcars. The takeover of Hans Glas GmbH in 1967 by the until then mainly Munich-based carmaker BMW marked the beginning of Dingolfing's history as a 'BMW city' as well as the expansion of BMW. Initially, BMW relocated the production of vehicle components to Dingolfing. In the early 1970s, the decision was made to build a completely new vehicle plant, later to become Plant 02.40. Commissioned in 1973 in the midst of the oil crisis, it has since developed into a success story for the Group and the region. For milestones in the historical development see also:

<https://www.bmwgroup-werke.com/dingolfing/en/our-plant/history.html>

## **Lower Bavaria – The heart of the BMW Group’s global aftersales logistics.**

Dingolfing and Lower Bavaria are not only BMW Group production sites, but also home to the central spare parts distribution. The global BMW and MINI dealer organizations are supplied with original parts and accessories from the so called “Dynamics Center”, a large warehouse and transshipment hub. To meet the increasingly challenging demands of parts distribution, new large spare parts warehouses for the BMW Group were set up in Bruckberg (Landshut district) and Wallersdorf (Dingolfing-Landau district) in 2015/2016, which are also part of the Dingolfing plant group.

## **Strategic site development – Investments in new models and future technologies.**

To prepare for future model generations and remain at the forefront of the technological change in the automotive industry, the BMW Group recently invested several hundred million euros annually in Dingolfing, expanding and remodeling the plant more comprehensively than ever before in its history. For the sixth generation of the BMW 7 Series alone, more than half a billion euros were invested over a period of three years, among other things to further prepare the plant for such important future topics as electrification and lightweight construction. In the course of the launch of the new BMW 7 Series, for example, an in-house CFRP production facility and a new body shop ideally designed for intelligent mixed-material construction were created. The plant was also comprehensively upgraded (e.g. with a new body shop) for the production of the new BMW 5 Series, whose sedan model went into production in November 2016. In 2018 the new BMW 8 Series had its start of production at the Dingolfing plant.

The BMW Group locations in Lower Bavaria play a major role in developing the mobility of the future, establishing themselves as the Group’s centers of excellence in e-mobility and innovative lightweight construction. In addition, Dingolfing serves as the center of excellence and lead plant for the construction of the large BMW series.

From 2021 on, the BMW iNEXT, the BMW Group’s technology flagship, will be manufactured at the Dingolfing plant. This model will combine all key automotive technologies of the future, spanning from autonomous driving to electrification and full connectivity.