



Neil King, Senior Data Journalist, highlights the top predictions for each of the EU5 markets in 2019.

SPAIN

Residual values (RVs) may show a slight downward trend in Spain in 2019 given the current economic uncertainty and the healthy supply of new cars.



FRANCE

SUVs will continue to drive residual value growth in France in 2019 as WLTP figures will only be used to calculate tax liabilities from 2020.



GERMANY

Diesel RVs will stabilise over the course of 2019 in Germany but user-choosers, forward-thinking self-employed consumers and progressive businesses will increasingly consider electric vehicles when choosing a new car.



ITALY

The tax changes in effect from 1 March onwards in Italy will boost new car registrations and create further oversupply in the used car market, weakening residual values in 2019.



UNITED KINGDOM

With the UK's departure from the EU still shrouded in uncertainty, 2019 is an unpredictable year for the UK automotive sector. We predict a weakening of RVs but the more Brexit disrupts new car demand, the more the used car market and residual values will benefit.



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