Honda Powersports Production

The Road to Honda's 300-Millionth Motorcycle





Production of the Dream, Honda's first production motorcycle, begins



1959

American Honda is established and begins sales of the Honda Dream, Benley, and Honda 50 (Super Cub)

This campaign helped to create a new image of fun and friendly motorcycling in the minds of American consumers



1968

Total motorcycle production reaches 10 million units



1973

Total motorcycle production reaches 20 million units



This makes Honda the first Japanese automaker to make products in the U.S.



1980

Honda begins production of the Gold Wing motorcycle in Marysville, OH

1988

Honda begins motorcycle production in El Salto, Mexico

1997

Total motorcycle production reaches 100 million units



2006

World's first airbag on a production motorcycle is introduced on Honda Gold Wing

2008

Total motorcycle production reaches 200 million units



Honda builds motorcycle and ATV products in:



Timmonsville, SC

El Salto, Mexico



2014

Worldwide motorcycle production reaches 300 million units



Often referred to as the D-Type, the Dream had a 2-stroke, 98cc motor

1958

Long-selling Super Cub first introduced in Japan

1963

American Honda launches its memorable "You meet the nicest people on a Honda" ad campaign

Did You Know...?

Honda is the world's largest producer of motorcycles and has been since the 1960s



1969

Honda introduces the CB750 FOUR, a four-cylinder high-performance motorcycle

1975

Honda introduces the GL1000 Gold Wing, a 999cc liquid cooled four-cylinder touring motorcycle

1979

Honda of America Mfg., Inc. begins producing the CR250R motorcycle in Marysville, OH

Honda Powersports products are made of domestic and globally sourced parts

1985

Honda of America Mfg., Inc. begins production of motorcycle engines at a new plant in Anna, OH.

1989

Honda of America Mfg., Inc. begins production of ATVs in Ohio

1998

Honda of South Carolina Mfg., Inc. begins production of ATVs at a new production facility in Timmonsville, SC



World's First airbag on a production

motorcycle

2013

Honda of South Carolina Mfg., Inc. begins production of U.S. developed side-by-side off-road vehicles



motorcycle

production

Honda Powersports products of the future are being developed right now in America