Mitsubishi Motors: China auto sales drop 62.9%

TOKYO-Mitsubishi Motor Corp. said Friday that sales dropped 62.9% to 2,340 vehicles in China in September amid strong concerns over the impact of anti-Japanese sentiment fueled by a territorial row between China and Japan.

The September sales posted a larger on-year drop than the 33.4% slump in August and lower sales volume than the 3,495 vehicles sold in the previous month.

As Japanese auto makers are facing fierce pressure in China following anti-Japanese protests in mid-September, fears of sagging demand have led some car makers to lower local production.