

## **Michelin shows uptick for N.A. passenger car tire demand**

PARIS—Michelin said tire demand was fairly strong in North America in October.

North American original equipment passenger tire demand increased 16 percent in October compared with the same month a year earlier, and 18 percent higher for the first 10 months of the year.

Aftermarket car tire sales grew by 6 percent in October, and are down 2 percent for the year-to-date.

The tire maker—which gives only percentage changes in a Website report—said North American OE truck tire markets rose 6 percent for the year-to-date, but fell 14 percent in October compared to the same month a year earlier. Aftermarket sales are down 2 percent year-to-date but up 6 percent on a monthly basis.