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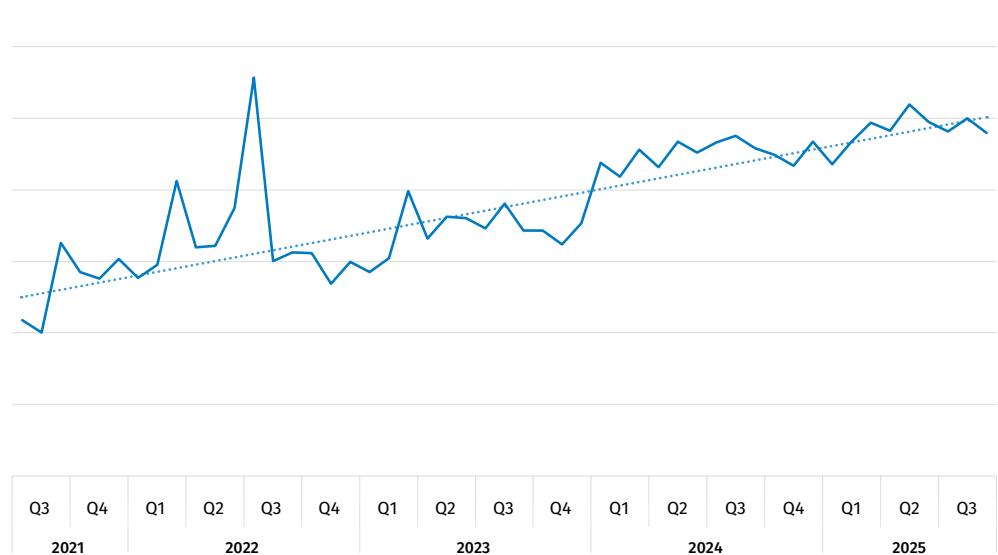
Automotive Finance Digital Transformation Index Q3 2025

Wolters Kluwer, a global leader in professional information, software solutions, and services, announced the third-quarter 2025 analysis from its Auto Finance Digital Transformation Index, a key resource that tracks the rate at which the industry is advancing digitization from paper-based finance back-office processes. Results of the latest Index reflect overall trends in the auto industry; although the rate of eContracting adoption decreased slightly in the third quarter, a significant surge was recorded in the securitization market.

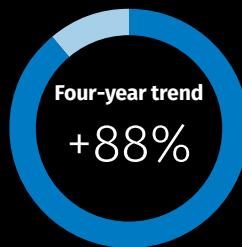
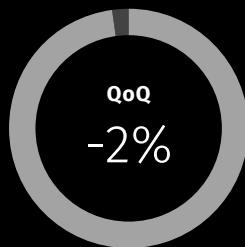
eContracting adoption stalls amid slower auto sales

Auto dealers, service providers, and lenders tapped the brakes on their digitization journey in the third quarter of 2025, with eContracting volumes decreasing 2 percent compared to the second-quarter. The slight dip aligns with the sales volume for new vehicles during the same period, which also declined 1.6 percent, according to [Cox Automotive](#). Still, the rate of digital contracting remained strong overall, with a solid 4 percent year-over-year increase and a positive four-year trend. Dating back to Q3 2021, a growth rate of more than 88 percent has been recorded for digital adoption, accentuating the industry's recognition of the value of incorporating digitized contracting and documentation workflows to increase back-office efficiency.

Digitization adoption growth Q3 2021 – Q3 2025

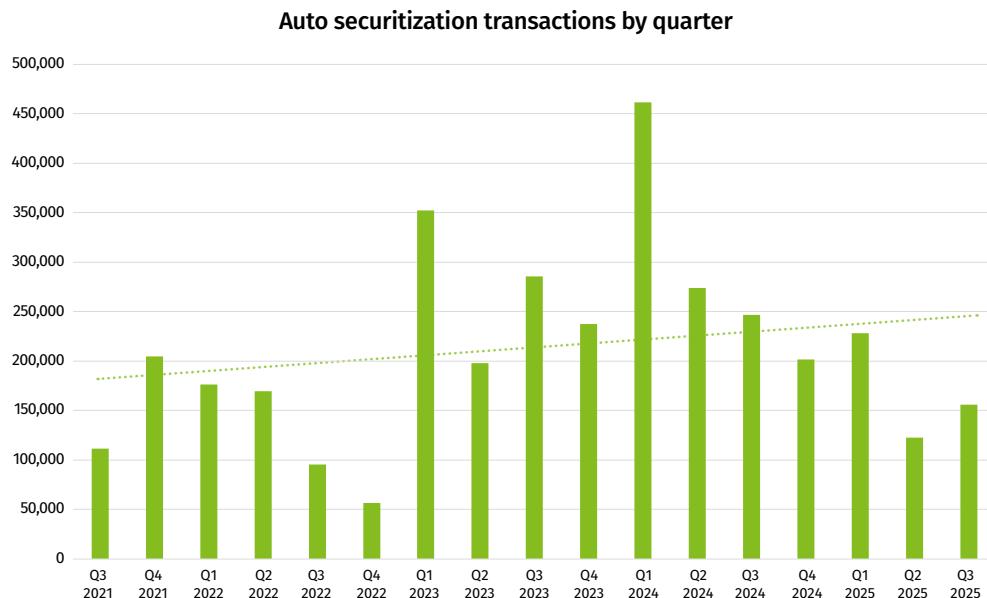


eContracting digital adoption rate



Digital auto securitization activity rebounds in third quarter

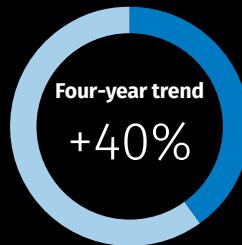
Digital auto securitization activity revved up considerably in the third quarter, surging more than 27 percent compared to second-quarter activity. The impressive quarterly jump reflected renewed issuance interest in the transition toward digital asset management and was complemented by a positive four-trend, with adoption increasing nearly 40 percent since Q3 2021. However, when comparing Q3 2024 and Q3 2025, the year-over-year rate in securitization dropped nearly 37 percent, indicative of broader market volatility. Still, the strong quarter-over-quarter increase signals market re-engagement, while overall industry issuance remains resilient despite performance concerns surrounding certain subprime auto segments.



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"The Q3 data clearly shows that while eContracting is maturing, the next major frontier for digital transformation continues to be in the back office, particularly within the securitization workflow. In a climate where subprime performance is heavily scrutinized and institutional participation is expanding, operational efficiency is paramount. To unlock this growth, the industry must tackle the most critical risk areas in the back office. We need to digitally 'bulletproof' the process – aggressively resolving the bottlenecks of data extraction and standardizing documentation. This isn't just about efficiency; it's about establishing a new foundation of evidentiary integrity that minimizes manual error and allows us to confidently withstand the most intense regulatory and institutional examination."

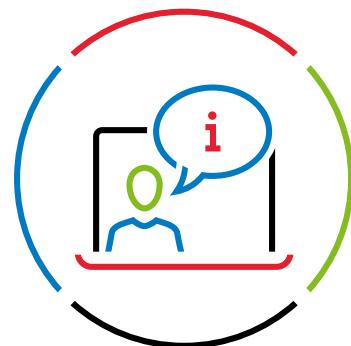
Securitization adoption rate





Summary

The Wolters Kluwer Auto Finance Digital Transformation Index helps identify and track adoption drivers, while providing insights into market shifts that may impact automotive industry digitization. Results of the Q3 2025 Index mirrored trends in the overall auto industry, with a slight decrease in eContracting adoption rates and a sizable swell in securitized markets.



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