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### **Survey Says: Air Compressors Most Important Equipment On Service Vehicles; UNDERHOOD™ Is The Favorite**

Nanaimo, B.C. — Air compressors are the most important piece of equipment on service vehicles, a 2022 survey has confirmed. VMAC surveyed 340 industry professionals for their 2022 State Of The Mobile Compressed Air Industry Report, and over half (51%) agreed air compressors are the most important piece of equipment.

“These results are consistent with our annual survey's 2020 and 2021 results,” says Mike Pettigrew, VMAC’s Marketing Manager. “Fleet managers, owner/operators, and mechanics agree each year that air compressors are essential equipment on their service trucks and vans.”

The other pieces of equipment were distant choices with only 10% of respondents choosing either generator or welder as their top choice, followed closely by the crane with 9%.

When asked what types of air compressors are used on their service vehicles, 40% of respondents said they use above-deck gas engine powered air compressors. One in four (25%) use UNDERHOOD or vehicle-engine driven air compressors, while 18% use diesel engine driven and another 18% use hydraulic driven air compressors.

Respondents were also asked what their favorite type of air compressor is, and the top choice was UNDERHOOD, with 34% of respondents choosing this option. This preference is almost identical to 2021’s results when 35% selected UNDERHOOD. The second and third choices were above-deck gas engine driven air compressors (28%) and above-deck diesel engine driven air compressors (24%).

“Our customers are asking for UNDERHOOD air compressors, citing physical space and weight savings on the truck deck, less maintenance, and higher productivity,” shares Rob Beukema, Vice President at Work Truck West. “Supply chain challenges with above-deck air compressors make UNDERHOODs more desirable, as these vehicle-integrated air compressors remain resistant to supply chain delays. We can put an UNDERHOOD on a truck in weeks, as opposed to months.”

Download VMAC’s 2022 State Of The Mobile Compressed Air Industry Report at <https://info.vmacair.com/survey> For graphs, [click here](#).

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