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## NEW FORD EXPLORER COULD HEAL ECONOMY



MLive: With the debut of its 2011 Explorer coming Monday, [Ford Motor Company](#) has announced that mass production of the sport utility vehicle will create some 1,200 jobs at its Chicago assembly plant and an additional 600 for parts builders and suppliers in Michigan, Indiana and Illinois. One auto expert cited at [PR Newswire](#), says that the new vehicle could create up to 12,000 new jobs collaterally. The theory is that for every automotive job created, 10 "indirect" jobs are generated. If that's the case, someone needs to tell the President and Congress. Never mind wind farms or all that save-the-environment-while-creating-an-innovative-alternative-energy-economy jazz. Building new, flashy, big cars with spinny rims, apparently, is the panacea that needs to be force fed to our dyspeptic economy.

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