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Factory backing boosts confidence as late-model XPENGs head to auction amid EV surge

Fourteen 2025 XPENG G6s, including near-new and demonstrator vehicles, will go under the hammer with battery State of Health readings of at least 98.6 per cent and XPENG's recently announced seven-year factory-backed warranty.

28 August 2026: Australia's rapid shift towards electric vehicles is beginning to reshape the used-car market, with a group of late-model XPENG G6 electric SUVs set to go under the hammer at Pickles as demand for EVs reaches new highs.

Fourteen 2025 XPENG G6s will be offered through Pickles' Major Event Electric Vehicle Sale from Monday 31 August, including near-new and demonstrator vehicles that are already in Australia and ready to go following the sale.

The auction follows XPENG Australia's recent move to provide greater certainty for owners by extending its factory-backed seven-year / unlimited-kilometre manufacturer warranty to eligible G6 vehicles previously sold through the brand's former distribution network.

XPENG Australia has confirmed that all 14 vehicles will be covered by its recently announced seven-year factory-backed warranty, providing buyers with ongoing manufacturer support.

Pickles General Manager, Automotive Solutions, Brendon Green, says the combination of manufacturer backing and independent information about vehicle condition is important as more Australians consider buying an EV.

"Buyer confidence is critical as the EV market develops, particularly as more brands and models enter Australia," Green says.

"Knowing you have factory backing after you purchase the vehicle, together with independent information about battery condition before you buy, provides an important level of reassurance."

The sale comes as battery electric vehicles (BEVs) accounted for 21.7 per cent of Australia's new-vehicle market in July, with 23,510 sold during the month. Chinese-built vehicles have also surged, accounting for more than one in three new vehicles sold in Australia in July.

Green says the change in buyer behaviour towards EVs has been significant.

“The conversation around electric vehicles has changed incredibly quickly.

“Earlier this year we saw searches for EVs on the Pickles website more than double as fuel prices climbed, while EV auction clearance rates reached 100 per cent,” Green says.

“What we’re seeing now suggests this isn’t simply a short-term reaction. EVs are becoming a much bigger part of the Australian vehicle market and we’re seeing that increasingly flow through to the secondary market.”

Among the biggest considerations for Australians contemplating a used EV is battery condition – something Pickles has sought to address through independent State of Health testing.

Across the XPENG vehicles tested ahead of the auction, the lowest recorded battery State of Health is 98.6 per cent.

The result compares with an average battery State of Health of approximately 96 per cent across EVs previously tested by Pickles, including substantially older and higher-mileage vehicles.

“Battery condition remains one of the first questions people ask when they consider buying a used EV, so providing buyers with independent data is incredibly important,” Green says.

“A State of Health result of at least 98.6 per cent across these vehicles gives buyers meaningful information about the condition of what is arguably the most important and expensive component of an electric vehicle.

“Rather than asking buyers to make assumptions about battery condition, we can give them independent information before they bid.”

Pickles uses independent battery testing technology from European battery diagnostics specialist AVILOO, with detailed battery certificates available to buyers.

The auction comes during a period of rapid change in Australia’s automotive landscape, with an influx of new EV models and brands – particularly from China – giving consumers considerably greater choice.

Green says the growth of those brands is beginning to create a more diverse secondary EV market.

“We’ve gone from a used EV market dominated by a handful of models to one where buyers are starting to see a much broader range of vehicles, technology and price points.

“That’s important for the development of the market. Greater choice, manufacturer backing, better information about battery condition, and more vehicles flowing into the secondary market all help remove some of the barriers that have traditionally made buyers hesitant about used EVs,” Green says.

The 14 XPENG G6s are being offered by Pickles under instruction from a major financier.

The Major Event Electric Vehicle Sale will open online at 10:00 a.m. AEST on Monday 31 August and close at 7:00 p.m. AEST on Wednesday 2 September.

Buyers can view vehicle details, photographs and battery information and bid online through Pickles.com.au.

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Imagery of the XPENG G6 vehicles for auction can be downloaded here.

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