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### Past Passive Tense Verbs

The bread was baked by the chef.

The cookies were baked by the  
assistant.

### Present Passive Tense Verbs

The bread is baked by the chef.

The cookies are baked by the  
assistant.

### Future Passive Tense Verbs

The bread will have been cooked.

The cookies will have been cooked.

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### Past Passive Tense Verbs

The truck was sold by auctioneers.

Tractors were shipped by truck.

### Present Passive Tense Verbs

The truck is sold by many

dealers.

The tractors are shipped by truck.

### Future Passive Tense Verbs

The truck will have been sold.

The tractors will have been

shipped.