

## TOD 2.0 goes over 1 million visitors

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Topic: Site news

Since we moved from Blogger to the oildrum.com around the end of August, we have accumulated 1 million unique visits and 2.5 million pageviews. (TOD 1.0 got about 200k visitors and 300k pageviews by the time it was decommissioned.)

This is simply an amazing development in my eyes. When Heading Out and I started this long ago, we never thought it would grow like this. HO's expertise and insights are so invaluable in my estimation. Super G and Yankee came along and contributed wonderfully in many areas of the site, both seen and unseen. Stuart has been simply amazing in his efforts as well, he has added insight in so many areas! Our new contributors, Dave, Bubba, [ED: and peakguy! The TOD-NYC blog is doing really well too.], have also added a lot to the site, both in their posts and in the comments. Thanks to all of you for being good people and helping this community grow.

But, truthfully, we wouldn't be able to do this without you, our readers. You make this work with your wisdom, insight, and healthy skepticism. Your participation in (and some days, the defense of) what we have here is wonderful...we handle some "big" polemic topics here in ways that just have not happened elsewhere, and it's wonderful.

Please know that we're going to do everything we can to maintain the product and dynamic that we have here at TOD. Ideas and suggestions are always welcome.

**Update [2006-2-10 12:38:19 by Super G]:** And of course, The Oil Drum wouldn't exist if it weren't for Prof. Goose's vision and initiative.

**Update [2006-2-10 1:30 pm by Heading Out]:** That's exactly right, Super G. This was the Prof's idea originally, and his was a lot of the hidden effort that got us up to where we are now. Though I echo him in pointing out that I have learned far more from those that contribute, and I thank them, not only for those contributions, but also for the civility and frankness with which they have helped us all learn - from both sides of the discussion - and for making us all conscious that we have to back up the statements that we make.

**Update [2006-2-11 4:11:37 by Stuart Staniford]:** Just to add my thanks to everyone who visits and especially our regular commenters. I deeply appreciate all the thoughtful, sceptical feedback I've received here. I don't think I've ever felt more productive or more like I was doing something meaningful and worthwhile than I have writing for this site. It's a pity it takes such a gloomy subject to do this, but there you go...

**Update [2006-2-11 9:14:16 by Yankee]:** I suppose I should add my 2 cents, though I really have nothing new to say that my fellow editors haven't already written. I salute them, and you, the readers for your contributions here, and for your efforts to get the word out. Let's hope that we aren't just sending our words into a big black vacuum out there.

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