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[Update by Leanan on 10/07/06 at 10:18 AM EDT]

[Oil, Smoke, and Mirrors](#) is an independent 50 minute documentary on peak oil, 9/11 and the war on terror. Watch it online, free at Google Video.



[Update by Leanan on 10/07/06 at 11:04 AM EDT]

[PDVSA said to halt gasoline to U.S., company denies](#)

NEW YORK (Reuters) - Oil traders and ship brokers said on Friday Venezuela's PDVSA state-owned oil company had stopped exports of unleaded gasoline to the United States, but the company denied the reports.

Traders and brokers said the stoppage also included Cuba and was due to persistent refinery problems.

[US Democracy Under Threat](#)

The global economy is set to start shrinking as the supply of oil goes into decline. Big business will fight ruthlessly to protect their share of the pie.

Supply Chain Digest worries about [Getting the Fuel Surcharge Genie Back in the Bottle](#).

[Conspiracy Theories Abound as Oil Prices Fluctuate](#)

[ConocoPhillips backs long-term production view](#)

ConocoPhillips said it still expects a long-term compounded annual production growth rate of 3 percent including oil from the partnership with EnCana Corp., announced earlier on Thursday.

[States may make own rules on furnaces](#)

The Energy Department on Friday proposed to let states decide whether to increase the required efficiency of residential furnaces much beyond what's now on the market, rejecting calls for significantly tougher national standards.

With consumers facing high heating bills each winter, furnace efficiency has become an increasingly important matter for both keeping down costs and saving energy.

[All can play part in beating global warming](#)

[Study Says Lab Meltdown Caused Cancer](#)

Radioactive emissions from a 1959 nuclear accident at a research lab near Simi Valley appear to have been much greater than previously suspected and could have resulted in hundreds of cancers in surrounding communities, according to a study released Thursday.

Chemical contamination from rocket engine testing at the site continues to threaten soil and groundwater in the area around Rocketdyne's Santa Susana Field Laboratory, the study also found.

[Clampdown on air travel 'a must' for Britain to meet climate target](#)

[Nigeria violence underscores lawlessness](#)

Attack helicopters battled speedboats full of armed fighters for control of key oil installations. Seven foreigners were abducted from a residential compound, and militants claimed dozens of soldiers were killed. Even by the standards of Nigeria's oil-

rich southern delta region, it has been a bloody week.

"There is no rule of law here. The AK47 rules," says Anyakwee Nsirimovu, a human rights lawyer based in Rivers state, which has been worst hit by the violence.

[EU seeks global energy fund to boost investment in poor nations](#)

[Statoil Says Norway's Biggest Gas Field Will Deliver](#)

Statoil ASA, Norway's largest oil and gas company, said it will maintain natural-gas deliveries even though production from Troll, the country's biggest gas field, will be lower this year and next.

[Germany aims to slash energy consumption by 2020](#)

[Higher Oil Prices Prompt Israel to Search for 'Black Gold'](#)

[Eni chief puts price 'in perspective'](#)

First of all, prices are not very high. Sixty dollars a barrel is not very high. If they were high, the American consumer in particular would behave differently. As long as each American consumer burns 26 barrels of oil per year against 12 for Europeans, this means that the prices are not high. High means that people start to say that I can use my energy better.

[Greenspan says U.S. trusts Alberta to deliver oil](#)

[EIA - Coal Production in the United States - An Historical Overview](#)

[Carbon capture: climate savior?](#)

[Pondering a future after oil peaks](#): Two Orange County supervisors discuss whether local government has a role to play.

[Assessing GM's Fuel Cell Strategy](#)

The automaker plans to begin rolling out a test fleet of fuel-cell cars, but some experts say it's a mistake.



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