

Today there are over 6,000 products refined from Natural Gas and Crude Oil.



Stow, Ohio family. Photo courtesy of National Geographic.



Plastics

Plastics come in a large variety from sporting equipment, storage containers, toys, toothbrushes, artificial hearts to everyday household products.

Synthetic Fabrics



Nylon, Orion, Dacon and Dynel are all made from petroleum. Parachutes, carpets, rope and Astro-Turf are made from these synthetic fabrics.

Synthetic Rubber



Synthetic rubber was developed during World War II. Today we find it in gloves, tennis shoes, boots, tires, swimming floats, hoses, stoppers, rubber bands, belts, skate wheels, shoe heels and balloons.

Carbon Black



Carbon Black is used in paints, inks, rubber, cement, batteries, televisions, radios and computers.

Medicines



Medicines such as aspirin, antihistamines, Vaseline, alcohol, ammonia, antibiotics and antiseptics all contain petrochemicals.

Waxes



Waxes are used to make waxed paper, candy, gum, candles, crayons and soap.



Cosmetics

Soap, cleansing creams, toothpaste, shampoo, hair spray, lotion, cologne, baby oil, lipstick, lip balm, nail polish, hand cream, shaving cream and suntan lotion among others all come from crude oil!

Natural Gas and Propane



Nearly 6 out of every 10 homes are heated with natural gas. It cooks our food, warms our home, dries our clothes and heats our water. Businesses use it in many ways, from cooking to fueling high temperature ballast furnaces.

Fuels



Gasoline, jet fuel, kerosene and other products help fuel automobiles, trucks, motorcycles, airplanes, golf carts, lawn mowers and edgers.

Which of these products do you use everyday?

Fact: The average U.S. citizen uses 3 gallons of these refined petroleum products each day!



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