

Re: US gasoline: ridiculously cheap

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On May 26, 12:18 pm, xnich...@xxxxxxxxxxxxx wrote:

On 26 May, 16:42, William Mook <william.m...@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

Moving faster means that you can go farther in a given amount of time and cover more area. Covering more area in a given amount of time means there are more opportunities more combinations and permutations possible than when you're 'stuck' in a smaller region. So, there is a natural propensity for people to move farther and faster if they can afford it.

In many situations, it's debatable whether cars do allow you to move faster.

I used to commute into central London for 5 years and I tried every permutation: Car, Overland rail and Tube.

Using a car was NEVER as fast as taking the Tube.

It's also not as fast as using inter-city rail between cities.

Bear in mind also that several European countries, such as Italy and Germany have a higher per capita car ownership than the US, yet gasoline prices

of Germany \$7.08 and Italy \$6.73 compared to the US figure of \$3.28 that you and your mates are whining about.

Like I don't drive all over the EC even though I could do.

Because of the cost of fuel no doubt. Yet, if the cost of fuel were \$1 per barrel, you might consider getting a commercial version of a Harrier Jump Jet and having lunch in Paris and Dinner in Berlin before flying home to a new property development in Morocco..

I've driven to Belgium, France, Germany and Switzerland by boat/car before and never thought about the cost of fuel (whatever it was at the time, it was certainly higher than in the US) If I want to stop along the way and spend a day or two doing it, a car's fine.

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Going to Italy, Greece or further afield I'd use a train or plane.
Not into property development in Morocco, or anywhere else.