

Re: Fuel efficiency not allowed in the US

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Eeyore wrote:

Rodney Kelp wrote:

R.H. Allen wrote:

As for Citroen, their cars are not banned from import, but Citroen withdrew from the US market in 1974 because they consistently used technology that was not yet approved by US regulators -- things like adjustable-height suspensions, swivel headlights, new brake fluid formulations, etc. (most, if not all, of which is now legal here). Nowadays, since they aren't in the US market, they make no effort to comply with US regulations. Anybody in the US who wishes can import a Citroen, but if it is less than 25 years old it cannot be driven on public streets until it is made compliant with US regulations. That's no different than for any other vehicle made for a foreign market -- even one made by Ford, if it was made to be sold in Europe.

Complete and utter bullshit. The fact is they ARE running in Europe without problems so US safety is like I said, complete and utter bullshit. US safety is nothing more than BIG THREE protectionism, nothing more. Lie all you want.

He's not lying.

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Citroens have always been a bit 'unusual' and some 'conservative' markets don't find that attractive. I doubt they would sell in the USA even if you could buy them.

Besides, with gasoline back under \$3 a gallon, where's the incentive to buy a car that has good fuel economy ?

The only way to get ppl interested in buying high mpg vehicles is to tax the crap out of gasoline. It's about the equivalent of \$7 a US gallon here (UK) right now and that still doesn't discourage SUV (or 4WD) ownership.

Graham

You have to go for high mileage vehicles if you want to reduce CO2 emissions. Has noting to do with price. Everybody should be moving down as fast as they can. The next vehicle you buy should be better than the last in higher mileage and lower emissions. Drive a scooter when you can, weather permitting. Ride your bike or weed whacker powered skate board. Airlines are the WORSE CO2 emitters. Don't fly, drive.