

Natural gas is an important feedstock for America's manufacturing industry, used to make everything from the plastic jug that holds your milk, to the baseball you caught at a summer game. Meanwhile, shale development has greatly increased our natural gas supplies, providing a clean-burning and affordable fuel to power American industry.

Natural Gas

As the Department of Energy explains, natural gas is used to make a wide array of common products from **aspirin** to **umbrellas**.



- Baseballs
- Basketballs
- Beach umbrellas
- Boats
- Cameras
- Candles**
- Candy
- Cellphones
- Clothing
- Computer keyboards
- Computer monitors
- Crayons
- Credit cards
- Curtains
- Deodorant
- Detergent
- Eyeglasses**
- Fertilizers
- Fishing rods
- Food preservatives
- Footballs
- Glass
- Glue
- Golf bags
- Gum
- Hand lotion
- House paint
- Hula hoops
- Ink

- Life jackets
- Lipstick
- Luggage
- Movie film**
- Paint
- Perfumes
- Plastics
- Propane
- Refrigerants
- Roofing
- Shampoo
- Shaving cream
- Shoes/sandals
- Soap dishes
- Sunglasses
- Surf boards
- Telephones**
- Tennis rackets
- Tents
- Tires
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Trash bags
- Umbrellas**

American Chemistry Council

"These new projects are made possible by one factor above all – plentiful and affordable natural gas and natural gas liquids (NGL) from shale formations."
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Pricewaterhouse Coopers

"As the U.S. chemical industry expands NGL conversion into a higher volume of downstream products, the positive impacts could flow through the value chain into other manufacturing sectors, particularly given that chemicals are used in an estimated 90 percent of all manufactured products."
(A.J. Scamuffa, PwC's US Chemicals leader, Oct. 2012)

Brookings

"NGLs will be a critical component of the industrial sector's ability to take advantage of the U.S. hydrocarbon resurgence."
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