

# President Obama on the Benefits of American Shale Development

## Top Five Quotes



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**Here is a look back at President Obama's top five statements touting the importance of abundant, affordable energy – made possible by hydraulic fracturing.**

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- 1 “For the first time in nearly two decades, the United States of America now produces more of our own oil here at home than we buy from other countries. That’s a big deal.” (11/16/13)
- 2 “Meanwhile, our 100-year supply of natural gas is a big factor in drawing jobs back to our shores. Many are in manufacturing – the quintessential middle-class job.” (10/2/14)
- 3 “Today, the number one oil and gas producer in the world is no longer Russia or Saudi Arabia; it’s America. We’re doing it so fast that two years ago, I set a goal to cut our oil imports in half by 2020 – and we will meet that goal this year.” (10/2/14)
- 4 “We should strengthen our position as the top natural gas producer because, in the medium term at least, it not only can provide safe, cheap power, but it can also help reduce our carbon emissions.” (6/25/13)
- 5 “We produce more natural gas than ever before – and nearly everyone’s energy bill is lower because of it...[T]he natural gas boom gas led to cleaner power and greater energy independence. We need to encourage that.” (2/13/13)