

RADIO ROUNDUP

a collection of features, oddities,
and helpful tips



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ENERGY MATTERS

WHEN GASOLINE PRICES ARE HIGH, IT CAN PAY NOT TO BE FUELISH. FORTUNATELY, SIMPLE THINGS LIKE NOT SPEEDING, KEEPING YOUR CAR WELL-MAINTAINED AND CARPOOLING CAN HELP CUT FUEL USE AND HELP AMERICA TOWARDS BEING ENERGY-INDEPENDENT. THE U-S DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OFFERS THESE ADDITIONAL TIPS: AGGRESSIVE DRIVING, RAPID ACCELERATION AND HARD BRAKING CAN LOWER GAS MILEAGE BY THIRTY-THREE PERCENT ON THE HIGHWAY AND BY FIVE PERCENT AROUND TOWN. GET THE JUNK OUT OF THE TRUNK—A LIGHTER CAR USES LESS FUEL. COMBINE ERRANDS INTO ONE TRIP. KEEP TIRES PROPERLY INFLATED AND WHEELS ALIGNED. DOING SO CAN IMPROVE GAS MILEAGE BY MORE THAN THREE PERCENT. THINK ABOUT FUEL BEFORE BUYING A VEHICLE. ON AVERAGE, A CAR THAT GETS THIRTY MILES PER GALLON WILL COST ABOUT SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS LESS TO FUEL EACH YEAR THAN ONE THAT GETS TWENTY MILES PER GALLON. YOU MAY ALSO WANT TO CONSIDER A HYBRID OR FLEX-FUEL VEHICLE FOR YOUR NEXT PURCHASE. FOR MORE INFORMATION ON ENERGY, FUEL COSTS AND TIPS, VISIT ENERGY-SAVERS--DOT--GOV.