





3 out of 9 NEW vehicles have catalytic converters that do NOT work properly



All U.S. passenger vehicles had a catalytic converter fitted by 1981.



Palladium-103, a radioactive isotope of Pd, used in prostate cancer research.





About 50% of the world's platinum Platinum's, 85% Rhodium and nearly 90% of Palladium is employed in catalytic converters manufactured for automobiles





Norilsk region in Russia is added to Time Magazine's list of the most polluted places due to pollution created by harvesting of precious metals

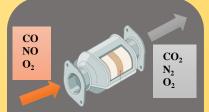




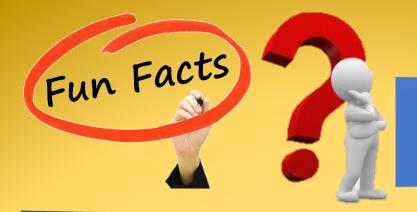
If not for catalytic converters, we probably would be buying fresh air today



'Cats' is Houndry's nickname for the first smoke stack he invented.



Up to 98% of toxic and harmful gases are potentially reduced by a catalytic converter.



Approximately 85 % of a vehicle is recycled.

Converters change carbon monoxide (toxic) into carbon dioxide; and nitrogen oxides (causes acid rain) into nitrogen and oxygen

The typical passenger car consists of about 65 percent steel and iron, by weight.

Recycling one ton of steel saves 2500 pounds of iron ore, 1400 pounds of coal and 120 pounds of limestone.

The quantity of hazardous fluids and oil that Auto recyclers reclaim is approximately the same as 8 Exxon Valdez disasters.

Platinum is used in medical implants due to its ability to resist corrosion and allergic reactions

More than 27 million vehicles are recycled across the world annually, most recycled consumer product in the world.

Recyclers supply used auto parts 20 % to 80 % cheaper thank new auto parts

Automotive recycling reduces accident rates by removing unsafe old vehicles from the roads.

Aluminium recovered from old vehicle accounts for nearly 50 percent vehicle's scrap value.

Approximately 90 percent of aluminium of a vehicle is recovered and recycled.



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