

Pipeline Basics

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What is a pipeline?



There are generally two types of pipelines. They are either natural gas or crude oil. For crude oil the pipeline is either gathering or transmission.



Pipelines are located all across the Untied States. Small natural gas distribution pipelines are the most common and can be found by your house and under your roads.



Majority of mainland pipelines are buried under the ground. Pumping stations are located above ground.



The United States has over 2.5 million miles of pipelines.



Pipelines are deemed the safest method of travel for hazardous materials.

Gas Transmission and Hazardous Liquid Pipelines in the United States





