Did you know? European Energy Dependence Day

With each year that passes, the EU imports more and more of its primary energy

When the EU imported 43% of its energy in 1995, European Energy Dependence Day fell on 26th July.

When imports rose to 54% in 2011, largely due to increased energy use in buildings, European Energy Dependence day fell 38 days earlier: on 18th June.

If the EU were to capture the full energy savings potential in the buildings sector with a binding 40% Energy Efficiency Target, European Energy Dependence day could be pushed back as late as 12th October.

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