Big Oil's big profits

Exxon Mobil has unveiled the largest annual reported net income in U.S. history. Earnings jumped to \$10.71 billion for the fourth quarter of 2005 and \$36.13 billion for the year – up 42% on 2004. Exxon's results lifted the combined profits for the country's three largest oil companies to more than \$63.7bn

ExonMobil

Total revenue 2005 \$371bn

Average oil price/barrel (Q4) \$52.23

Increase on year earlier \$13.38

Average natural gas price per

1,000 cubic feet (Q4) \$11.34 Increase on year earlier \$4.73

Chevron

Chevron Corp.

Earnings (Q4) **\$4.14bn**Earnings (2005) **\$14.1bn**

ConocoPhillips

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Earnings (Q4) \$3.36bn

Earnings (2005) \$13.53bn

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