

Table 2. Natural gas consumption in the United States, 2021-2026

billion cubic feet, or as indicated

Year and month	Lease and plant fuel ^a	Pipeline and distribution use ^b	Delivered to consumers						Total consumption	Heating value ^c (Btu per cubic foot)
			Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Electric power	Vehicle fuel	Total		
2021 total	1,851	1,131	4,717	3,289	8,375	11,229	54	27,663	30,646	1,037
2022 total	1,879	1,252	4,964	3,511	8,529	12,092	65	29,160	32,292	1,036
2023 total	1,934	1,248	4,524	3,331	8,553	12,941	60	29,409	32,592	1,036
2024										
January	163	147	934	543	801	1,137	5	3,420	3,730	1,039
February	157	115	644	415	718	913	5	2,695	2,967	1,039
March	164	108	509	347	747	919	5	2,529	2,801	1,037
April	157	92	318	248	699	880	5	2,150	2,400	1,035
May	163	89	172	176	685	1,048	5	2,087	2,339	1,033
June	159	94	124	153	658	1,238	5	2,178	2,431	1,034
July	167	106	107	147	686	1,528	5	2,474	2,746	1,036
August	165	105	105	148	698	1,496	5	2,454	2,724	1,036
September	159	93	113	154	670	1,223	5	2,165	2,416	1,035
October	166	93	194	209	693	1,071	5	2,172	2,431	1,035
November	161	104	412	314	725	987	5	2,444	2,710	1,037
December	169	131	757	464	798	1,037	5	3,061	3,362	1,038
Total	1,951	1,278	4,389	3,318	8,580	13,476	64	29,827	33,056	1,037
2025										
January	£167	£152	1,036	610	828	1,125	£5	3,603	3,921	1,039
February	£152	£125	796	492	732	932	£4	2,956	3,232	1,039
March	£172	£106	527	365	745	830	£5	2,472	2,751	1,037
April	£166	£92	326	262	697	830	£4	2,119	2,377	1,035
May	£172	£89	188	191	691	972	£5	2,047	2,308	1,033
June	£167	£93	130	155	655	1,211	£4	2,155	2,416	1,034
July	£174	£105	111	154	681	1,494	£5	2,444	2,723	1,035
August	£175	£102	105	153	694	1,409	£5	2,365	2,643	1,034
September	£169	£94	113	155	671	1,221	£4	2,164	2,427	1,033
October	£173	£94	216	227	693	1,035	£5	2,175	2,443	1,035
November	£172	£108	472	341	740	946	£4	2,503	2,783	1,037
December	£179	£135	825	507	800	1,047	£5	3,184	3,498	1,038
Total	£2,038	£1,296	4,845	3,611	8,625	13,054	£53	30,188	33,523	1,036
2026										
January	£174	£146	£972	588	808	1,093	£5	£3,466	£3,786	1,039
February	RE161	£120	R725	R445	R715	947	£4	R2,835	R3,116	1,039
March	£179	£107	481	349	741	918	£5	2,493	2,779	1,036
2026 3-month YTD	£513	£374	2,177	1,382	2,264	2,958	£13	8,794	9,682	1,038
2025 3-month YTD	£491	£383	2,359	1,467	2,305	2,887	£13	9,031	9,905	1,038
2024 3-month YTD	484	370	2,087	1,305	2,267	2,969	16	8,643	9,498	1,039

^a We only collect plant fuel data and lease fuel data annually. We estimate monthly lease and plant fuel use from monthly marketed production by assuming that the preceding annual percentage remains constant for the next 12 months.

^b We base published pipeline and distribution use data on reports collected on an annual basis. We estimate monthly pipeline and distribution use data from monthly total consumption (excluding pipeline and distribution use) by assuming that the preceding annual percentage remains constant for the next 12 months. Pipeline and distribution use volumes include line loss, defined as known volumes of natural gas that were the result of leaks, damage, accidents, migration, and/or blow downs, as well as fuel used in liquefaction and regasification.

^c Heating value is the average number of British thermal units per cubic foot of natural gas as reported on EIA-857 and EIA-176. Appendix A, Explanatory Note 11, contains further information.

^R Revised data.

^{RE} Revised estimated data.

^E Estimated data.

Source: 2021-2024: U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA); Form EIA-857, *Monthly Report of Natural Gas Purchases and Deliveries to Consumers*; state and federal agencies; EIA estimates based on historical data; and *Natural Gas Annual 2024*. January 2025 through current month: Form EIA-914, *Monthly Crude Oil and Lease Condensate, and Natural Gas Production Report*; Form EIA-857; Form EIA-923, *Power Plant Operations Report*. Appendix A, Explanatory Note 6, contains an explanation of computation procedures and revision policy.

Note: Data for 2021 through 2024 are final. All other data are preliminary unless otherwise indicated. Geographic coverage is the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Totals may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding. Appendix A, Explanatory Note 6, contains a definition of sectors.