

Table 5.2 Crude Oil and Natural Gas Wells and Footage Drilled

	Wells Drilled						Footage Drilled					
	By Type			By Trajectory		Total	By Type			By Trajectory		Total
	Crude Oil	Natural Gas	Dry	Horizontal and Directional	Vertical		Crude Oil	Natural Gas	Dry	Horizontal and Directional	Vertical	
1950 Total	23,812	3,439	14,799	NA	NA	42,050	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	157,358
1955 Total	30,432	4,266	20,452	NA	NA	55,150	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	226,182
1960 Total	22,258	5,149	18,212	NA	NA	45,619	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	192,176
1965 Total	18,065	4,482	16,226	NA	NA	38,773	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	174,882
1970 Total	12,968	4,011	11,031	NA	NA	28,010	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	138,556
1975 Total	17,449	8,200	13,321	NA	NA	38,970	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	182,199
1980 Total	37,209	17,108	21,125	1,677	73,765	75,442	137,273	92,649	98,054	14,607	313,369	327,976
1985 Total	40,217	14,309	22,270	2,184	74,612	76,796	152,575	77,699	104,791	17,944	317,122	335,066
1990 Total	13,169	9,603	8,054	2,839	27,987	30,826	57,153	52,870	41,360	23,619	127,764	151,383
1995 Total	R 8,653	R 8,474	R 4,951	R 2,495	R 19,583	R 22,078	R 41,930	R 53,637	R 26,714	R 23,034	R 99,247	R 122,281
2000 Total	R 7,963	R 11,377	R 3,900	R 2,915	R 20,325	R 23,240	R 34,903	R 75,329	R 22,786	R 24,182	R 108,836	R 133,018
2005 Total	10,665	21,227	4,163	5,997	30,058	36,055	49,661	148,827	22,978	52,902	168,564	221,466
2010 Total	15,440	R 14,093	3,873	R 12,930	20,476	33,406	93,192	R 130,380	R 19,138	R 137,368	105,341	242,709
2011 Total	R 21,954	R 12,829	R 3,930	R 17,231	21,482	38,713	R 154,738	R 135,957	R 18,931	R 197,401	R 112,225	R 309,626
2012 Total	R 27,871	R 10,046	4,348	R 19,814	22,451	42,265	R 218,208	111,813	R 20,674	R 233,974	R 116,721	R 350,695
2013 Total	R 28,284	R 8,550	R 3,953	R 20,513	R 20,274	40,787	R 235,051	R 100,969	R 19,980	R 254,950	R 101,050	R 356,000
2014 Total	R 29,755	R 7,898	4,405	R 22,413	R 19,645	42,058	R 266,750	R 97,274	R 23,332	R 292,759	R 94,597	R 387,356
2015 Total	R 17,246	R 5,463	2,877	16,038	R 9,548	25,586	R 175,977	R 72,315	R 16,783	R 221,386	R 43,690	R 265,076
2016 Total	R 8,491	R 3,113	R 1,664	R 9,066	4,202	13,268	R 97,684	44,202	R 9,459	R 134,017	R 17,328	R 151,345
2017 Total	R 11,181	R 4,199	1,980	R 12,658	4,702	17,360	R 136,825	63,411	12,992	R 193,526	R 19,701	R 213,227
2018 Total	R 14,387	R 5,058	2,133	R 16,571	5,007	21,578	R 185,659	R 80,381	R 14,342	R 261,097	R 19,284	R 280,381
2019 Total	R 13,879	R 4,463	R 1,943	R 15,949	R 4,336	20,285	R 188,901	R 74,985	R 13,996	R 260,796	R 17,086	R 277,882
2020 Total	R 7,154	2,642	1,119	R 8,941	R 1,974	10,915	R 106,187	R 48,260	R 8,515	R 155,645	R 7,317	R 162,962
2021 Total	R 9,111	R 3,010	R 1,437	10,502	R 3,056	13,558	R 131,690	R 55,399	R 9,427	R 185,265	R 11,250	R 196,515
2022 Total	R 10,749	R 3,945	R 1,631	R 12,553	R 3,772	16,325	R 158,649	R 71,895	R 11,907	R 228,332	R 14,120	R 242,451
2023 Total	R 10,794	R 3,635	R 1,415	R 12,892	R 2,952	15,844	R 174,829	R 69,349	R 10,514	R 243,055	R 11,638	R 254,693
2024 January	R 835	R 259	R 106	R 1,020	R 180	R 1,200	R 13,907	R 5,093	R 862	R 19,095	R 767	R 19,862
February	R 847	285	108	R 1,070	R 170	R 1,240	R 14,850	R 5,572	R 869	R 20,627	R 664	R 21,292
March	R 848	R 251	R 107	R 1,012	R 194	R 1,206	R 14,575	R 4,809	1,111	R 19,711	R 783	R 20,494
April	R 947	R 235	113	R 1,079	R 216	R 1,295	R 16,157	R 4,760	R 799	R 20,873	R 844	R 21,717
May	R 831	279	104	R 994	R 220	R 1,214	R 13,834	5,594	R 867	R 19,435	R 860	R 20,295
June	R 833	R 255	R 103	945	R 246	R 1,191	R 13,795	R 5,184	R 736	R 18,753	R 961	R 19,715
July	R 978	225	R 118	R 1,063	R 258	R 1,321	R 15,906	R 4,672	R 978	R 20,548	1,008	R 21,556
August	R 892	R 234	109	R 1,023	212	R 1,235	R 15,139	R 4,609	818	R 19,737	R 828	R 20,566
September	R 812	296	105	R 1,019	R 194	R 1,213	R 13,806	6,124	768	R 19,939	R 758	R 20,697
October	953	R 262	117	R 1,110	R 222	R 1,332	16,326	R 5,202	R 825	R 21,487	867	R 22,354
November	R 813	R 223	R 102	R 928	R 210	R 1,138	R 13,241	R 4,287	R 795	R 17,497	R 826	R 18,323
December	R 811	R 224	R 102	R 961	R 176	R 1,137	R 13,468	R 4,389	R 821	R 17,990	R 688	R 18,678
Total	R 10,400	R 3,028	R 1,294	R 12,224	R 2,498	R 14,722	R 175,004	R 60,294	R 10,248	R 235,692	R 9,855	R 245,547
2025 January	R 800	R 290	100	R 1,014	R 176	R 1,190	R 13,211	R 5,803	R 839	R 19,165	R 688	R 19,853
February	R 809	R 255	R 101	R 993	172	R 1,165	R 13,309	R 5,209	R 742	R 18,589	R 672	R 19,261
March	R 813	257	103	R 1,008	R 165	R 1,173	R 14,840	R 5,526	R 728	R 20,450	R 645	R 21,095
April	R 808	R 279	R 102	R 1,008	R 181	R 1,189	R 14,133	R 5,818	894	R 20,137	R 707	R 20,844
May	R 869	R 262	R 108	R 1,057	R 182	R 1,239	R 16,250	R 5,386	R 768	R 21,694	R 711	R 22,405
June	R 783	R 246	R 98	R 967	R 160	R 1,127	R 14,533	R 4,984	R 692	R 19,583	R 625	R 20,209
July	R 777	327	R 105	R 1,024	R 185	R 1,209	R 13,917	R 6,774	R 749	R 20,718	R 723	R 21,440
August	R 783	R 307	105	R 1,021	R 174	R 1,195	R 13,903	R 6,529	R 799	R 20,551	R 680	R 21,231
September	724	R 306	98	R 968	R 160	R 1,128	R 13,316	6,041	R 695	R 19,427	R 625	R 20,052
October	R 700	R 283	R 94	R 927	R 150	R 1,077	R 12,365	R 5,659	R 735	R 18,172	R 586	R 18,758
November	R 693	R 382	R 96	R 1,021	R 150	R 1,171	R 12,178	R 7,597	R 678	R 19,867	R 586	R 20,453
December	R 690	R 278	R 93	R 869	R 192	R 1,061	R 11,660	R 5,688	R 667	R 17,265	R 750	R 18,015
Total	R 9,249	R 3,472	R 1,203	R 11,877	R 2,047	R 13,924	R 163,614	R 71,015	R 8,987	R 235,618	R 7,998	R 243,616
2026 January	R 687	R 270	R 93	R 882	R 168	R 1,050	R 11,482	R 5,173	R 845	R 16,831	R 669	R 17,500
February	R 684	R 289	R 94	R 900	R 167	R 1,067	R 12,214	R 5,537	R 663	R 17,727	R 687	R 18,413
March	R 688	R 285	R 94	R 912	R 155	R 1,067	R 12,391	R 5,546	R 669	R 18,000	R 606	R 18,606
April	R 685	R 279	R 93	R 888	R 169	R 1,057	R 11,225	R 5,397	R 662	R 16,624	R 660	R 17,284
May	R 698	R 278	R 94	R 912	R 158	R 1,070	R 11,543	R 5,427	R 720	R 17,073	R 617	R 17,690
June	R 726	R 268	R 97	R 939	R 152	R 1,091	R 12,165	R 5,301	R 706	R 17,578	R 594	R 18,172
July	752	277	100	965	164	1,129	12,532	5,450	724	18,065	641	18,706
7-Month Total	4,920	1,946	665	6,398	1,133	7,531	83,551	37,831	4,989	121,898	4,473	126,371
2025 7-Month Total	5,659	1,916	717	7,071	1,221	8,292	100,193	39,501	5,413	140,336	4,771	145,107
2024 7-Month Total	6,119	1,789	759	7,183	1,484	8,667	103,024	35,683	6,222	139,042	5,887	144,929

R=Revised. NA=Not available.

Notes: • Data are estimates. • For 1960–1969, data are for well completion reports received by the American Petroleum Institute during the reporting year; for all other years, data are for well completions in a given year. • Through 1989, these well counts include only the original drilling of a hole intended to discover or further develop already discovered crude oil or natural gas resources. Other drilling activities, such as drilling an old well deeper, drilling of laterals from the original well, drilling of service and injection wells, and drilling for resources other than crude oil or natural gas are excluded. Due to the methodology used to estimate ultimate well counts from the available partially reported data, the counts shown on this page are frequently revised. See Note, "Crude Oil and Natural Gas Wells," at

end of section. • Geographic coverage is the 50 states and the District of Columbia.

Web Page: See <http://www.eia.gov/totalenergy/data/monthly/#crude> (Excel and CSV files) for all available annual data beginning in 1949 and monthly data beginning in 1973.

Sources: • **1949–1965:** Gulf Publishing Company, *World Oil*, "Forecast-Review" issue. • **1966–1969:** American Petroleum Institute (API), *Quarterly Review of Drilling Statistics for the United States*, annual summaries and monthly reports. • **1970–1989:** U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) computations based on well reports submitted to the API. • **1990 forward:** EIA computations based on well reports submitted to S&P Global.