

The Distribution of U.S. Oil and Natural Gas Wells by Production Rate with data through 2023

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Overview

Technological innovation in drilling and completions has resulted in growth in U.S. oil and natural gas production over the last 15 years. Exploring how U.S. oil and natural gas wells have changed provides deeper insight into this rapid growth. In this report, we present data on the distribution of wells by size and technology and analyze emerging trends.

In December 2022, U.S. oil production, which includes crude oil and lease condensate, averaged 12.2 million barrels per day (b/d), and U.S. natural gas production (gross withdrawals) averaged 121.1 billion cubic feet per day (Bcf/d). U.S. oil production and natural gas production (gross withdrawals) both increased in 2023; oil production averaged 13.3 million b/d, and natural gas production (gross withdrawals) averaged 128.8 Bcf/d in December 2023.¹ U.S. crude oil and natural gas production, along with well-level productivity for both fuels, increased in 2023, especially in the Permian region.

The number of producing wells in the United States reached a high of 1,031,086 wells in 2014 but declined to 924,493 wells by the end of 2022 and continued to decline in 2023 to 918,068 wells (Figure 1). The percentage share of horizontal wells during the past decade increased from 8% to 21% (2013–23), which illustrates the impact of technological change on well type (Figure 2). Since 2013, more than half of U.S. oil and natural gas production came from wells that produced between 100 barrels of oil equivalent per day (BOE/d) and 3,200 BOE/d (Figure 3 and Figure 4). In terms of the number of wells, the share of U.S. oil and natural gas wells producing 15 BOE/d or less remained steady at about 80% from 2000 through 2022 and declined to 77% in 2023 (Figure 1).

This report provides yearly estimates of producing oil and natural gas wells in the United States, which are grouped according to volume in 1 of 22 production volume brackets that range from less than 1 BOE/d to more than 12,800 BOE/d. We designate wells as either oil or natural gas wells based on a gasoil ratio (GOR) of 6,000 cubic feet of natural gas to 1 barrel (cf/b) of oil for each year's production. If the GOR is equal to or less than 6,000 cf/b, we classify the well as an oil well for that year. If the GOR is greater than 6,000 cf/b, we classify the well as a natural gas well for that year.

The distribution tables for the production rates of all U.S. oil and natural gas wells range from calendar years 2000 through 2023. Appendix B provides summary breakouts for the total United States, each state, the Federal Offshore Gulf of Mexico, and the Federal Offshore Pacific. You can use the Appendix C spreadsheet to generate figures for all regions.

The quality and completeness of the available data we used to build the tables varies by state. The data originate from state administrative records of monthly well- or lease-level natural gas and liquid fuels production. We receive the data from the commercial source Enverus, which collects the data from various state agencies. Some state agencies do not make well-production data available until years after production occurs, and others have never made well-production data available. For the late-reporting states—Arizona, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, and Tennessee—we use the last year of reported data to populate recent missing years to achieve the most complete U.S. total well counts. Data are not

¹ U.S. Energy Information Administration, *Monthly Crude Oil and Natural Gas Production*, November 19, 2024.

available for Illinois and Indiana. Appendix A shows the reporting status for each state and year covered in the report and the availability of completion, well, and lease data by state.



Figure 1. Total U.S. wells by production rate brackets

Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration and Enverus Note: BOE=barrels of oil equivalent



Figure 2. U.S. horizontal wells by production rate brackets

Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration and Er Note: BOE=barrels of oil equivalent



Figure 3. Oil production from U.S. wells by production rate brackets

Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration and Enverus

Note: Oil production includes crude oil and lease condensate; BOE=barrels of oil equivalent

production rate brackets billion cubic feet per year (BOE/well/day) ■> 12,800 45,000 ■6,400–12,800 ■3,200–6,400 40.000 ■1,600-3,200 ■800-1,600 35.000 ■400-800 200-400 30,000 100-200 **■**50–100 25.000 40-50 30–40 20.000 25-30 20-25 15,000 15-20 12–15 10–12 10,000 8–10 **■**6–8 5,000 4-6 2-4 0 1–2 0–1 2000 2002 2004 2006 2008 2010 2012 2014 2016 2018 2020 2022 eia

Figure 4. Natural gas production from U.S. wells by production rate brackets

Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration and Enverus Note: BOE=barrels of oil equivalent

Methodology

How we define wells

This report and its tables include five well types:

- Single wellhead
- Sidetrack
- Completion
- Recompletion
- Lease

This report includes every producing entity in the Enverus database. When we know the number of wells on a lease, we distribute the total lease production equally among the wells; however, in some cases, the commercial source has allocated individual well production in proportion to well test results. Sometimes, only a lease and its total production are available (without the well counts), which leads to undercounted wells in some areas.

Production volume accounting

We removed identifiable reinjected and recycled natural gas from the gross natural gas volumes reported by some states, such as Alaska. For fields identified as having undergone or as currently undergoing natural gas injection, we reduce production levels by an equal share of the field-level injected natural gas that the state reported. We do not include injection wells in the counts unless they were producing wells at one time; in such cases, we included those wells for the years they were producing.

The pressure base that producers use to record natural gas volumes varies by state. For consistency, we converted all natural gas volumes to the federal pressure base of 14.73 pounds per square inch absolute (psia). We did not, however, adjust to account for differences in the temperature base; instead, we assumed states used 60°F as the temperature base. Because states vary in how they define a well type (oil or natural gas), we used a GOR of greater than 6,000 cf/b to designate a natural gas well. We designated wells with less than or equal to 6,000 cf/b as oil wells.

We excluded storage wells, dry holes, and wells that produce exclusively within CO₂ fields.

How we analyzed and aggregated the data

First, we used the number of days of production activity to convert volumes to a daily rate for the BOErate classes in the tables. For this calculation, we did not use the reported *days on* production measure for a well because it is often not available in the database. Instead, we used calendar days for consistency. To calculate the months in production, we determined the monthly production data for the first month and for the first year of production and the last month and last year of production for each well. We counted days of production using the number of calendar days in each month for the first year and last year of production. For the middle years of production, we used full years of 365 (or 366) days for days of production.

Next, we added the monthly oil and natural gas volumes, multiplied by the number of days of production, to determine annual totals for each well. We converted the annual natural gas volume to

BOE using the GOR of 6,000 cf/b, and we used the GOR threshold to classify a well as natural gas or oil. We classified the well as an oil well if its production of barrels of oil was greater than the natural gas production converted to BOE. We classified it as a natural gas well if its BOE production was greater than the oil production. We then added the natural gas BOE to the liquid fuels value for a total BOE for each year of the well's production. We divided this total BOE by the number of calendar days the well was in production status, which often reflected partial years for the first and last years and full years for years in between. We used these calculations to assign each well to the appropriate BOE/d rate class in the tables.

Finally, we added the well counts and production levels for each rate class to produce the yearly state tables for the report.

Frequently Asked Questions

What is the average production rate of a well, and how does this rate differ between oil wells and natural gas wells?

In 2023, the average oil well produced 30 b/d (or about 39 BOE/d, if including natural gas), and the average natural gas well produced about 196,991 cf/d (about 37 BOE/d of total oil and natural gas). The distribution by well size, however, is generally skewed. Many wells produce smaller volumes per day, and fewer wells produce very large volumes per day. In 2023, 77% of the more than 918,068 U.S. wells produced 15 BOE/d or less, and 7% of the wells produced more than 100 BOE/d.

What is the source of our data, and how do we collect it?

Our data source is Enverus. We receive a monthly download from Enverus containing the most recent production information. This commercial data source collects data from various state agencies involved in regulating oil and natural gas production. In this year's report, we are using the November 2024 download of the Enverus data.

How are the reported volumes consistent with other data sources?

The total volumes in the distribution tables represent a snapshot of available data at the time we assembled the report and may not exactly equal other related data, including other EIA sources. Differences sometimes exist in:

- The timing of updates from state and commercial sources
- The availability of state-level aggregate production data versus well-level data
- The definition of a well and which entities we counted and summed

How often do we collect well-production data for the Lower 48 states?

Some states make data available within a few months after a new well begins production, and other states may take more than 18 months to release that data. The average lag between a new well's first production and reported production in the database is six to eight months.

In addition, states sometimes revise historical data because they continue collecting and digitizing older well datasets or their databases. States may also revise data if they identify inaccuracies.

How often will we update this report?

We plan to update this report each year in December, when complete or nearly complete data for the previous year are available for most states.

Does a natural gas well remain a natural gas well during its entire production history?

In this report, we sometimes classify a well as a natural gas well in one year and as an oil well in another year, and vice versa, depending on a well's GOR. We use this approach because the respective volumes of liquid fuels and natural gas produced by a well can change significantly during the well's production history.

Do we distinguish between associated natural gas and nonassociated natural gas?

The report distinguishes between associated and nonassociated natural gas based on whether we classify the well as an oil well or a natural gas well. If we classify the well as a natural gas well, then we consider the natural gas as nonassociated gas and the liquid fuels as condensate, which is counted as oil. If we classify the well as an oil well, then we consider the natural gas as associated gas and the liquid fuels as oil.

How do we account for lags in data reporting?

We include notes in the tables to indicate states that are missing current data because of a lag in annual reporting. For missing years, we repeat a state's latest data. We don't attempt to estimate data that may be missing within a reported year. Appendix A provides a summary table of missing or incomplete state data.

How long after a well starts producing is it classified into a production-rate bracket?

We include a well in our analysis as soon as data for the first month of production are available in our database.

Do all wells produce both oil and natural gas?

Most wells produce both oil and natural gas, but some wells produce only one or the other.

Does the specific reservoir, formation, or play determine the amount of oil and natural gas produced?

Yes. Different zones within the same reservoir (depending on the hydrocarbon content, depth, and burial history) will produce only liquids, a mix of liquids and natural gas, or only natural gas.

Why do some states have productive drilling sites and others do not?

The best producing areas are often large basins with thick layers of sedimentary rock that accumulated over a long time and also contain oil and natural gas. States such as North Dakota, Texas, and Pennsylvania have productive drilling sites because they cover large areas of these basins. Subsurface geology and paleogeography are the most important factors in determining whether a state may be an oil and natural gas producer.

Has the productivity of wells changed since horizontal drilling technology and hydraulic fracturing technology have advanced?

Horizontal drilling and hydraulic fracturing have greatly increased both oil and natural gas production rates of onshore wells in the United States. The decline rates of hydraulically fractured horizontal wells within shale or tight formations are typically greater than for wells drilled vertically into conventional reservoirs.

Our estimates for production derived from shale or tight formations is available in our *Short-Term Energy Outlook.*

What is a stripper well?

A *stripper well*, also called a *marginal well*, is an oil or natural gas well that is nearing the end of its economically useful life. These wells can continue to produce small volumes for long periods. Many of these wells are still operating, and together they produced approximately 6% of total U.S. oil and natural gas in 2023. The Interstate Oil and Gas Compact Commission defines a stripper well as a well that produces 10 b/d or less of oil or 60,000 cf/d or less of natural gas during a 12-month period. The Internal Revenue Service (IRS)—for tax purposes—defines this type of well as one that produces 15 b/d or less of oil over a calendar year. In addition, 15 b/d or less of oil converts to 90,000 cubic feet or less of natural gas per day over a calendar year. We use the IRS definition.

What happens to a well after it stops producing oil or natural gas?

Operators usually plug and abandon nonproducing wells. If they suspect significant amounts of hydrocarbons are still in the reservoir, the well may undergo secondary or tertiary recovery.

What is the difference between gross natural gas, wet natural gas, and dry natural gas?

You can find definitions for natural gas gross withdrawals, wet natural gas, and dry natural gas in our glossary.

Are any wells still drilled using only conventional drilling practices?

Yes, some vertical wells are still drilled and completed without hydraulic fracturing; however, these wells and older completion techniques are becoming less common. Based on the larger number of wells and footage drilled, horizontal drilling combined with hydraulic fracturing has become standard practice for oil and natural gas production in the United States.

Suggestions for Querying the Appendix C Excel Data File

Data are provided in a flat-file format for all states for each year from 2000 through 2023 and by wellsize class (Figure 5). The *Filter* tool in Excel is one of the fastest methods for viewing a subset of the data. For example, the filters in Figure 6 are set to select only Alaska (AK) and the year 2000. In Figure 7, the filters are set to select Alaska totals for all years and to sort chronologically.

Figure 5. Example of data provided in flat-file format with filter tool added

			Oil wells							Natural gas wells						
									Oil wells: natural			Natural gas wells:	Natural cas wells	Natural gas wells:	Natural dat wolks	Natural car walks
	Production rate bracket			Oil wells:	Oil wells: annual oil	Oil wells:	Oil wells: oil rate	Oil wells: annual	gas rate per well		Natural gas wells:	annual gas		natural gas rate per	annual oil	oil rate per
	(barrel of oil equivalent		Number of oil		production (million	percentage of oil	per Well (barrels	gas production		Number of natural	percentage of		natural gas		production (million	well(barrels per
State	✓ Year ↓ per day) ✓ Class	num 🔻	W -	w -	barr 👻	produc 👻	per c 👻	(billion cubic f	feet per e 👻	gas w 👻	natural gas w 👻	cubic f 👻	produc 👻	cubic feet per 🕻 👻	barr 👻	¢ *
AK	2023 A_ 0-1	1	29	1.57	0.002	0	0.341	0.003	0.383	36	7.39	0.006	0	0.646	0	0
AK	2023 B_ 1-2	2	12	0.65	0.004	0	1.166	0.007	2.487	7	1.44	0.014	0.01	7.785	0	0
AK	2023 C_ 2-4	3	14	0.76	0.009	0.01	2.431	0.013	3.663	15	3.08	0.056	0.03	12.308	0.003	0.616
AK	2023 D_ 4-6	4	20	1.08	0.02	0.01	3.935	0.033	6.585	9	1.85	0.073	0.04	25.519	0.002	0.682
AK	2023 E_ 6-8	5	8	0.43	0.011	0.01	5.685	0.018	9.656	5	1.03	0.049	0.02	32.614	0.002	1.498
AK	2023 F_ 8-10	6	18	0.97	0.041	0.03	7.426	0.042	7.572	6	1.23	0.07	0.03		0.003	1.788
AK	2023 G_Subtotal <=10	6.5	101	5.45	0.087	0.06	3.304	0.117	4.468	78	16.02	0.268	0.13		0.011	0.501
AK	2023 H_10-12	7	12	0.65	0.038	0.03	9.422	0.042	10.422	2	0.41	0.038	0.02	52.504	0.001	1.814
AK	2023 I_12-15	8	13	0.7	0.045	0.03	11.633	0.037	9.654	6	1.23	0.15	0.08	73.55	0.003	1.698
AK	2023 J_Subtotal <=15	8.5	126	6.8	0.169	0.12	4.963	0.196	5.752	86	17.66	0.456	0.23	18.824	0.016	0.641
AK	2023 K_15-20	9	28	1.51	0.128	0.09	15.225	0.111	13.24	12	2.46	0.217	0.11	78.873	0.012	4.462
AK	2023 L_20-25	10	18	0.97	0.124	0.09	20.158	0.083	13.471	11	2.26	0.434	0.22	115.097	0.012	3.091
AK	2023 M_25-30	11	26	1.4	0.177	0.12	24.445	0.13	17.964	5	1.03	0.257	0.13	153.879	0.002	1.212
AK	2023 N_30-40	12	46	2.48	0.48	0.34	31.872	0.308	20.454	14	2.87	0.741	0.37	188.97	0.012	3.039
AK	2023 O_40-50	13	65	3.51	0.83	0.58	40.29	0.639	31.026	17	3.49	1.243	0.63	236.426	0.035	6.614
AK	2023 P_50-100	14	307	16.57	7.23	5.07	69.348	4.15	39.804	55	11.29	7.196	3.62	389.271	0.19	10.292
AK	2023 Q_Subtotal <=100	14.5	616	33.24	9.138	6.4	46.68	5.617	28.694	200	41.07	10.544	5.3	175.534	0.278	4.636
AK	2023 R_100-200	15	452	24.39	20.425	14.31	128.591	14.731	92.741	71	14.58	17.463	8.78	736.473	0.597	25.188
AK	2023 S_200-400	16	386	20.83	31.484	22.06	234.271	40.015	297.75	106	21.77	45.247	22.75	1287.187	2.363	67.209
AK	2023 T_400-800	17	284	15.33	42.172	29.55	433.729	70.984	730.046	77	15.81	61.664	31.01	2343.736	4.858	184.636
AK	2023 U_800-1,600	18	93	5.02	26.307	18.44	882.474	37.613	1261.704	26	5.34	39.085	19.66	4297.921	3.427	376.892
AK	2023 V_1,600-3,200	19	18	0.97	8.673	6.08	1695.192	10.513	2054.843	7	1.44	24.853	12.5	9727.05	1.072	419.629
AK	2023 W_3,200-6,400	20	3	0.16	3.636	2.55	3416.87	6.386	6002.082	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AK	2023 X_6,400-12,800	21	1	0.05	0.856	0.6	5597.307	1.461	9546.275	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AK	2023 Y_>12,800	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AK	2023 Z_Total	23	1853	100	142.691	100	229.272	187.319	300.979	487	100	198.856	100	1267.461	12.596	80.282

Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

Figure 6. Example of data with filters set to select Alaska (AK) and the year 2000

		Oil well	ls							Natural gas wells						
State	Production rate bracket (barrel of oil equivalent v Year IV per day) v Class nun		berofoil ₩ ▼	Oil wells: percentage of oil w *	Dil wells: annual oil production (million barr 👻	Oil wells: percentage of oil produc v	Oil wells: oil rate per Well (barrels per (👻	Oil wells: annual gas production (billion cubic f v	Oil wells: natural gas rate per well (thousand cubic feet per c 👻	Number of natural gas w	Natural gas wells: percentage of natural gas w	Natural gas wells: annual gas production (billion cubic f		Natural gas wells: natural gas rate per well (thousand cubic feet per c	Natural gas wells: annual oil production (million barr 👻	Natural gas wells: oil rate per well(barrels per ¢ *
AK	2000 A_ 0-1	1	13	0.64	0.001	0	0.318	0.001	0.193	9	5.66	0.002	0	0.731	0	0
AK	2000 B_ 1-2	2	6	0.29	0.003	0	1.381	0.001	0.615	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AK	2000 C_ 2-4	3	9	0.44	0.007	0	2.496	0.007	2.371	3	1.89	0.021	0.01	19.968	0	0
AK	2000 D_ 4-6	4	11	0.54	0.013	0	4.027	0.02	6.115	2	1.26	0.006	0	22.234	0	0
AK	2000 E_ 6-8	5	8	0.39	0.011	0	6.091	0.011	6.015	1	0.63	0.014	0.01	39.508	0	0
AK	2000 F_ 8-10	6	6	0.29	0.019	0.01	8.575	0.008	3.504	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AK	2000 G_Subtotal <=10	6.5	53	2.6	0.054	0.02	3.315	0.047	2.884	15	9.43	0.043	0.02	10.036	0	0
AK	2000 H_10-12	7	4	0.2	0.015	0	10.228	0.009	6.478	1	0.63	0.017	0.01	70.611	0	0
AK	2000 I_12-15	8	6	0.29	0.019	0.01	11.515	0.018	11.093	3	1.89	0.066	0.03	60.034	0.004	3.66
AK	2000 J_Subtotal <=15	8.5	63	3.09	0.088	0.02	4.514	0.075	3.834	19	11.95	0.126	0.06	22.386	0.004	0.741
AK	2000 K_15-20	9	13	0.64	0.071	0.02	15.521	0.051	11.168	2	1.26	0.041	0.02	102.816	0	0
AK	2000 L_20-25	10	9	0.44	0.066	0.02	20.364	0.047	14.371	1	0.63	0.044	0.02	120.978	0	0
AK	2000 M_25-30	11	8	0.39	0.063	0.02	23.662	0.057	21.076	1	0.63	0.059	0.03	161.074	0	0
AK	2000 N_30-40	12	15	0.74	0.141	0.04	28.546	0.151	30.532	1	0.63	0.041	0.02	113.254	0.007	18.708
AK	2000 O_40-50	13	24	1.18	0.329	0.09	39.184	0.315	37.587	4	2.52	0.334	0.15	243.313	0.007	5.202
AK	2000 P_50-100	14	123	6.04	2.786	0.79	66.207	1.945	46.211	20	12.58	2.822	1.26	385.515	0.068	9.325
AK		4.5	255	12.52	3.545	1	41.511	2.64	30.916	48	30.19	3.468	1.55	219.067	0.086	5.46
AK	2000 R_100-200	15	264	12.96	13.114	3.72	140.506	6.059	64.915	19	11.95	6.166	2.76	910.566	0.054	7.956
AK	2000 S_200-400	16	518	25.43	49.956	14.16	269.974	22.416	121.143	23	14.47	13.121	5.86	1660.639	0.064	8.151
AK	2000 T_400-800	17	541	26.56	97.956	27.76	511.729	63.027	329.256	25	15.72	27.193	12.15	3242.223	0.195	23.27
AK	2000 U_800-1,600	18	342	16.79	115.748	32.8	977.725	96.663	816.513	22	13.84	53.166	23.76	7231.558	0.029	3.948
AK	2000 V_1,600-3,200	19	102	5.01	55.949	15.85	1780.637	55.963	1781.071	16	10.06	70.269	31.4	12727.585	0.017	3.003
AK	2000 W_3,200-6,400	20	12	0.59	12.173	3.45	3837.608	6.43	2027.143	5	3.14	41.156	18.39	22489.825	0.35	191.142
AK	2000 X_6,400-12,800	21	3	0.15	4.473	1.27	5862.385	4.107	5382.948	1	0.63	9.235	4.13	25233.077	1.44	3935.432
AK	2000 Y_>12,800	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
AK	2000 Z_Total	23	2037	100	352.913	100	497.816	257.305	362.952	159	100	223.775	100	4147.121	2.236	41.432

Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

Figure 7. Example of filters set to select Alaska (AK) totals for all years and to sort chronologically

1			Oil wells							Natural gas wells						
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State	Production rate by (barrel of oil equi T Year I per day)		Number of oil		Dil wells: annual oil production (million barr 💌	Oil wells: percentage of oil produc 👻	Oil wells: oil rate per Well (barrels per 💽	Oil wells: annual gas production (billion cubic f	Oil wells: natural gas rate per well (thousand cubic feet per c 💌	Number of natural	Natural gas wells: percentage of natural gas w	Natural gas wells: annual gas production (billion cubic f	percentage of natural gas	natural gas rate per	Natural gas wells: annual oil production (million barr 👻	Natural gas wells: oil rate per well(barrels per
AK	2000 Z_Total	23	2037	100	352.913	100	497.816	257.305	362.952	159	100	223.775	100	4147.121	2.236	41.432
AK	2001 Z_Total	23	2120	100	353.218	100	481.978	249.414	340.334	167	100	224.171	100	4001.482	1.495	26.691
AK	2002 Z_Total	23	2132	100	357.891	100	484.149	276.276	373.742	160	100	211.828	100	3873.531	1.491	27.261
AK	2003 Z_Total	23	2111	100	354.442	100	481.004	308.392	418.51	192	100	205.537	100	3307.278	1.16	18.668
AK	2004 Z_Total	23	2111	100	332.159	100	449.91	312.884	423.802	178	100	204.822	100	3545.597	0.281	4.868
AK	2005 Z_Total	23	2092	100	313.743	100	424.479	304.044	411.355	216	100	217.303	100	2944.804	1.644	22.277
AK	2006 Z_Total	23	2032	100	267.8	100	372.892	279.559	389.265	236	100	218.746	100	2758.95	2.68	33.806
AK	2007 Z_Total	23	1943	100	256.92	100	374.91	317.211	462.889	294	100	217.971	100	2202.684	6.675	67.451
AK	2008 Z_Total	23	2047	100	247.946	100	341.835	275.319	379.575	244	100	161.242	100	1958.131	1.947	23.65
AK	2009 Z_Total	23	2064	100	233.693	100	320.376	280.25	384.202	253	100	147.972	100	1744.948	1.817	21.422
AK	2010 Z_Total	23	2055	100	217.653	100	300.4	262.99	362.972	236	100	131.308	100	1583.645	1.25	15.081
AK	2011 Z_Total	23	2042	100	203.227	100	281.713	244.649	339.132	247	100	124.448	100	1473.476	1.602	18.965
AK	2012 Z_Total	23	1985	100	190.723	100	272.126	245.876	350.82	257	100	120.84	100	1368.126	1.678	19.001
AK	2013 Z_Total	23	1996	100	184.439	100	264.965	235.138	337.799	293	100	118.683	100	1180.716	3.484	34.658
AK	2014 Z_Total	23	2066	100	178.648	100	245.89	243.981	335.814	300	100	124.671	100	1301.335	2.483	25.915
AK	2015 Z_Total	23	2112	100	173.09	100	233.941	240.5	325.049	311	100	121.619	100	1143.787	3.139	29.517
AK	2016 Z_Total	23	2104	100	174.929	100	235.324	234.425	315.362	325	100	122.416	100	1079.847	4.448	39.239
AK	2017 Z_Total	23	2071	100	174.202	100	238.962	229.456	314.756	351	100	139.696	100	1164.588	6.345	52.895
AK	2018 Z_Total	23	2015	100	166.706	100	231.339	215.213	298.654	357	100	136.393	100	1099.665	8.095	65.269
AK	2019 Z_Total	23	2002	100	162.783	100	229.975	214.213	302.634	373	100	123.629	100	942.463	7.254	55.298
AK	2020 Z_Total	23	1868	100	152.487	100	226.987	198.678	295.744	456	100	153.133	100	983.315	11.364	72.975
AK	2021 Z_Total	23	1867	100	146.536	100	222.476	186.859	283.696	500	100	175.934	100	1034.898	13.087	76.983
AK	2022 Z_Total	23	1781	100	142.261	100	229.23	181.413	292.318	558	100	223.966	100	1218.704	17.367	94.5
AK	2023 Z_Total	23	1853	100	142.691	100	229.272	187.319	300.979	487	100	198.856	100	1267.461	12.596	80.282

Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

We also set up a pivot table to help organize the data to make charts. In Figure 8, the United States is selected in cell B1, and the subtotal rows have been deselected in cell A4, and *Total number of wells* is selected in the *PivotTable Fields* pane. Figure 9 shows a chart of the data in Figure 8.

Figure 8. Example of a pivot table to help organize data to make charts

State	U1	5	Τ.																									📔 PivotTable Fi	elds	
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A_ 0-1		2	29533	239061	238938	241213	247996	254757	262287	260868	281855	287726	299602	309433	321084	328820	341552	849189	355320	349884	354221	349411	350758	337250	338464	327111	7256283	Search		م
B_ 1-2			86972	90202	91484	92602	94768	97881	101450	103518	112091	112526	116490	119494	122077	123395	122096	120563	113540	112469	110312	110448	104927	101371	100696	100678	2562050			
C_ 2-4			94478	98508	99259	100943	103167	107043	112275	115541	123736	125530	126245	130058	132065	132292	130391	128909	121177	120767	118496	117093	109886	107313	106592	105365	2767129	- Humber of Huttara		-
D_ 4-6			55569	57670	58873	60250	62624	65726	69559	72379	76432	76921	77840	78728	78991	79146	78041	76128	72933	71851	68957	67696	62958	61974	62193	60621	1654060	Natural gas wells:		
E_ 6-8			38405	39850	40610	42173	43794	45528	48439	50521	53111	53156	53253	53225	52928	52861	52233	51659	49190	47718	46353	45021	42370	41363	40750	39768	1124279	Natural gas wells:	annual gas pr	oductio
r_ 8-10			29131	29805	30670	31933	32747	34487	36021	37688	38505	38591	38599	38618	38300	37672	37913	36907	35317	34001	33287	32372	30607	29896	29562	28979	821608	Natural gas wells:	percentage of	natural
H_10-12			22643	23348	24296	25166	25784	27142	28197	28632	29413	28951	28949	29013	29333	29050	28563	28093	26762	26742	25609	25122	23177	22705	22594	22464	631748	Natural gas wells:	natural gas ra	te per w
_ 12-15			25976	27505	27700	28546	29762	30447	31444	31877	32608	32386	32345	32547	32542	32482	31891	32187	30672	29638	29192	28462	26608	25965	25399	25531	713712	Natural gas wells:	annual oil pro	duction
K_15-20			31618	32231	32904	33353	33964	34375	35041	35390	36571	36127	36534	37009	37230	36909	36790	36467	34881	33813	33490	32216	30704	29590	29981	30477	817665	Natural gas wells:		
_ 20-25			21288	21881	21936	22164	22364	22477	22990	23136	24244	24038	24272	24736	24854	24316	24744	24269	23258	22825	22286	21951	20922	20967	20923	21497	548338			an(baire
M_25-30			15341	15316	15469	15331	15580	15611	16179	16232	17106	16966	17304	17507	17568	17428	17805	17274	16703	16486	16496	16436	15721	15543	15759	15879	393040	Total number of		
N_ 30-40			19618	19779	19653	20053	20241	20508	20906	21562	22655	22770	22875	23020	23282	23266	23662	23196	22870	23161	23504	23062	22132	21948	21736	22307	527766	Total wells: annua	I oil productio	n (milli
0_40-50			11926	12048	12033	12320	12374	12666	13008	13477	14327	14123	14308	14286	14492	14790	15725	15640	15710	15937	15893	15477	14550	14637	14422	14739	338908	Total wells: annua	I gas producti	on (billi
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R_100-200			11534	11917	11601	11980	12732	13542	14505	16018	17827	16566	16621	17488	19851	22538	25038	24757	22168	19975	19687	20878	22049	23709	24549	26572	444102	More Tables		
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K_6,400-12,800			75	86	106	105	108	80	81	93	69	75	61	54	56	62	67	84	85	95	110	129	95	109	110	97	2092	State ~	Year	
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Grand Total		7.	30206	756015	761121	774093	794238	818693	850182	867223	923739	928207	949415	973329	997631	1012897	1031086	1030661	1002866	989733	986312	977128	944177	921645	924493	918068	21863158			

Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

Figure 9. Example of a chart made with a pivot table



Data source: U.S. Energy Information Administration and Enverus Note: BOE=barrels of oil equivalent

Data appendices

The linked Excel files contain the following:

Appendix A

Appendix A contains information about data availability.
Reporting status by state and year A1
Availability of completion, well, and lease data by state A2
Appendix B Appendix B contains oil and natural gas well summary statistics.
U.S. oil and natural gas well summary statistics for years 2000–2023 B1–B24
Most recent year of available data for each state and federal offshore regions B25–B57
Appendix C

Appendix C is a separate Excel flat file with all data.