

Table 5.2 Crude Oil and Natural Gas Wells and Footage Drilled

	Wells Drilled						Footage Drilled					
	By Type			By Trajectory			By Type			By Trajectory		
	Crude Oil	Natural Gas	Dry	Horizontal and Directional	Vertical	Total	Crude Oil	Natural Gas	Dry	Horizontal and Directional	Vertical	Total
	Number						Thousand Feet					
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 8,648	R 8,470	4,944	2,493	R 19,569	R 22,062	R 41,944	R 53,606	26,643	R 23,025	R 99,168	R 122,193
2000 Total	R 7,956	R 11,377	3,897	R 2,909	R 20,321	R 23,230	R 34,867	R 75,336	22,749	R 24,144	R 108,808	R 132,952
2005 Total	R 10,659	R 21,225	R 4,153	R 5,990	R 30,047	R 36,037	R 49,633	R 148,820	R 22,903	R 52,846	R 168,509	R 221,355
2010 Total	R 15,442	14,086	R 3,871	R 12,927	R 20,472	R 33,399	R 93,211	130,347	R 19,118	R 137,358	R 105,318	R 242,676
2011 Total	R 21,946	R 12,832	3,931	R 17,226	21,483	R 38,709	R 154,677	R 135,958	18,918	R 197,346	R 112,207	R 309,552
2012 Total	R 27,863	R 10,047	4,346	19,814	22,442	42,256	R 218,198	R 111,824	20,659	R 233,964	R 116,717	R 350,681
2013 Total	R 28,276	8,548	R 3,951	R 20,507	R 20,268	R 40,775	R 235,024	R 100,940	19,932	R 254,871	R 101,026	R 355,897
2014 Total	R 29,741	R 7,893	4,409	R 22,403	R 19,640	42,043	R 266,717	R 97,217	R 23,363	R 292,706	R 94,591	R 387,297
2015 Total	R 17,237	R 5,460	R 2,876	R 16,032	R 9,541	R 25,573	R 175,960	R 72,257	R 16,788	R 221,345	R 43,660	R 265,006
2016 Total	R 8,501	R 3,100	R 1,660	R 9,064	R 4,197	R 13,261	R 97,938	R 43,954	9,457	R 134,012	R 17,333	R 151,349
2017 Total	R 11,185	R 4,176	1,977	R 12,654	R 4,684	R 17,338	R 137,268	R 62,972	12,983	R 193,552	R 19,671	R 213,223
2018 Total	R 14,432	R 5,011	R 2,105	16,568	R 4,980	R 21,548	R 186,537	R 79,552	R 14,288	R 261,124	R 19,253	R 280,377
2019 Total	R 13,872	R 4,438	1,943	R 15,930	R 4,323	R 20,253	R 189,175	R 74,547	R 14,004	R 260,671	R 17,055	R 277,726
2020 Total	R 7,168	R 2,627	1,107	R 8,932	1,970	R 10,902	R 106,453	R 47,988	8,421	R 155,545	7,316	R 162,861
2021 Total	R 9,090	2,999	R 1,419	R 10,478	R 3,030	R 13,508	R 131,799	55,223	R 9,378	R 185,226	R 11,174	R 196,400
2022 Total	R 10,740	R 3,925	R 1,623	R 12,529	R 3,759	R 16,288	R 158,848	R 71,528	R 11,856	R 228,157	R 14,074	R 242,231
2023 Total	R 10,774	R 3,616	R 1,513	R 12,881	R 3,022	R 15,903	R 174,898	R 67,881	R 11,363	R 242,026	R 12,117	R 254,142
2024 January	R 739	R 255	R 107	R 922	R 179	R 1,101	R 12,049	R 5,027	R 867	R 17,175	768	R 17,943
February	R 849	R 279	120	R 1,062	R 186	R 1,248	R 14,964	R 5,502	R 909	R 20,636	R 739	R 21,375
March	R 842	R 239	116	R 999	R 198	R 1,197	R 14,524	R 4,422	R 1,042	R 19,197	R 791	R 19,988
April	R 947	234	126	R 1,095	R 212	R 1,307	R 16,163	4,731	R 948	R 20,997	R 845	R 21,842
May	R 825	R 284	R 118	986	R 241	R 1,227	R 13,871	R 5,531	R 893	19,338	R 958	R 20,296
June	827	267	R 120	944	R 270	R 1,214	R 13,743	R 5,189	R 912	R 18,771	R 1,073	R 19,845
July	R 960	221	R 128	R 1,052	R 257	1,309	R 15,758	R 4,642	R 969	R 20,348	R 1,022	R 21,369
August	R 896	R 228	R 121	R 1,023	222	R 1,245	R 15,208	R 4,499	R 913	R 19,737	882	R 20,620
September	R 800	291	R 116	R 1,002	R 205	R 1,207	R 13,815	R 5,998	R 874	R 19,872	R 815	R 20,687
October	R 957	R 257	130	1,121	R 223	R 1,344	R 16,385	R 5,095	R 978	R 21,565	R 893	R 22,458
November	788	R 222	R 108	R 888	R 230	R 1,118	R 13,023	R 4,154	R 822	R 17,085	R 914	R 17,999
December	R 754	R 215	R 103	R 883	189	R 1,072	R 13,251	R 4,002	R 780	R 17,281	751	R 18,032
Total	R 10,184	R 2,992	R 1,413	R 11,977	R 2,612	R 14,589	R 172,752	R 58,793	R 10,908	R 232,001	R 10,452	R 242,453
2025 January	R 742	R 291	110	R 958	R 185	R 1,143	R 13,274	R 5,836	R 840	R 19,215	R 735	R 19,950
February	R 726	R 259	R 103	R 909	R 179	R 1,088	R 12,487	R 5,178	R 782	R 17,736	R 712	R 18,447
March	R 814	R 257	R 114	R 1,011	R 174	R 1,185	R 14,852	R 5,521	R 858	R 20,538	R 693	R 21,231
April	R 785	R 276	R 113	R 978	196	R 1,174	R 14,080	R 5,637	R 861	R 19,799	R 779	R 20,578
May	R 866	R 266	R 119	R 1,052	R 199	R 1,251	R 16,068	R 5,418	R 900	R 21,596	R 791	R 22,387
June	R 770	R 256	R 108	R 959	175	R 1,134	R 14,155	R 5,133	R 813	R 19,406	R 696	R 20,102
July	R 773	R 315	R 114	R 999	R 203	R 1,202	R 13,796	R 6,426	R 865	R 20,281	R 807	R 21,088
August	R 783	R 293	R 115	R 1,000	R 191	R 1,191	R 13,898	R 6,152	R 867	R 20,157	R 759	R 20,916
September	R 710	R 309	R 107	R 951	175	R 1,126	R 12,936	R 6,086	R 808	R 19,133	R 696	R 19,829
October	R 656	R 275	R 98	R 866	R 163	R 1,029	R 11,651	R 5,409	R 739	R 17,152	R 648	R 17,799
November	R 613	R 324	R 95	R 871	R 161	R 1,032	R 10,810	R 6,510	717	R 17,397	R 640	R 18,037
December	R 624	R 271	R 97	R 782	R 210	R 992	R 10,121	R 5,014	R 730	R 15,009	R 856	R 15,865
Total	R 8,862	R 3,392	R 1,293	R 11,336	R 2,211	R 13,547	R 158,130	R 68,319	R 9,781	R 227,419	R 8,811	R 236,230
2026 January	R 612	R 258	R 95	R 783	R 182	R 965	R 9,765	R 4,822	R 722	R 14,586	R 723	R 15,309
February	R 606	R 275	R 95	R 796	R 180	R 976	R 9,677	R 5,144	R 723	R 14,828	R 716	R 15,544
March	R 609	R 272	R 95	R 808	R 168	R 976	R 9,840	R 5,148	R 731	R 15,052	R 668	R 15,719
April	606	266	94	784	182	966	9,652	4,962	713	14,604	723	15,328
4-Month Total	2,433	1,071	379	3,171	712	3,883	38,935	20,075	2,890	59,070	2,830	61,900
2025 4-Month Total	3,067	1,083	440	3,856	734	4,590	54,694	22,171	3,342	77,288	2,919	80,207
2024 4-Month Total	3,377	1,007	469	4,078	775	4,853	57,699	19,683	3,766	78,005	3,143	81,148

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.