

**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
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	12,839	11,246	8,245	2,839	27,987	32,330	57,153	52,870	41,360	23,619	127,764	151,383
1995 Total	R 8,612	R 8,443	R 4,933	R 2,498	R 19,490	R 21,988	R 41,766	R 53,400	R 26,592	R 23,119	R 98,639	R 121,759
2000 Total	R 7,943	R 11,365	R 3,888	R 2,919	R 20,277	R 23,196	R 34,773	R 75,276	R 22,702	R 24,346	R 108,405	R 132,751
2005 Total	R 10,647	R 21,198	R 4,148	R 5,993	R 30,000	R 35,993	R 49,585	R 148,793	R 22,918	R 52,977	R 166,318	R 221,295
2010 Total	R 15,448	R 14,051	R 3,861	R 12,914	R 20,446	R 33,360	R 93,243	R 130,022	R 19,149	R 137,231	R 105,182	R 242,414
2011 Total	R 21,932	R 12,813	R 3,931	R 17,210	R 21,466	R 38,676	R 154,578	R 135,811	R 18,938	R 197,168	R 112,558	R 309,326
2012 Total	R 27,840	R 10,026	R 4,343	R 19,804	R 22,405	R 42,209	R 218,073	R 111,645	R 20,671	R 233,831	R 116,559	R 350,390
2013 Total	R 28,258	R 8,499	R 3,939	R 20,466	R 20,230	R 40,696	R 235,146	R 100,312	R 19,852	R 254,438	R 100,872	R 355,309
2014 Total	R 29,706	R 7,839	R 4,349	R 22,354	R 19,540	R 41,894	R 266,971	R 96,505	R 23,234	R 292,347	R 94,363	R 386,709
2015 Total	R 17,256	R 5,427	R 2,831	R 16,021	R 9,493	R 25,514	R 176,557	R 71,788	R 16,618	R 221,335	R 43,627	R 264,963
2016 Total	R 8,474	R 3,088	R 1,631	R 9,066	R 4,127	R 13,193	R 97,974	R 43,801	R 9,479	R 134,122	R 17,132	R 151,254
2017 Total	R 11,229	R 4,103	R 1,952	R 12,650	R 4,634	R 17,284	R 138,566	R 61,611	R 12,974	R 193,682	R 19,470	R 213,151
2018 Total	R 14,471	R 4,927	R 2,046	R 16,547	R 4,897	R 21,444	R 187,920	R 78,021	R 14,059	R 260,973	R 19,027	R 280,001
2019 Total	R 13,884	R 4,333	R 1,887	R 15,856	R 4,248	R 20,104	R 190,573	R 72,603	R 13,629	R 259,969	R 16,835	R 276,804
2020 Total	R 7,113	R 2,607	R 1,062	R 8,887	R 1,895	R 10,782	R 106,346	R 47,601	R 8,287	R 155,041	R 7,193	R 162,234
2021 Total	R 9,071	R 3,047	R 1,379	R 10,527	R 2,970	R 13,497	R 132,713	R 56,196	R 9,356	R 187,171	R 11,095	R 198,265
<b>2022</b> January	R 907	R 338	R 145	R 1,071	R 319	R 1,390	R 12,942	R 6,231	R 1,134	R 19,090	R 1,218	R 20,308
February	R 950	R 368	R 153	R 1,156	R 315	R 1,471	R 13,734	R 6,874	R 1,075	R 20,487	R 1,196	R 21,683
March	R 966	R 408	R 158	R 1,232	R 300	R 1,532	R 14,157	R 7,726	R 1,126	R 21,834	R 1,174	R 23,008
April	R 1,004	R 430	R 165	R 1,285	R 314	R 1,599	R 14,673	R 8,120	R 1,172	R 22,773	R 1,192	R 23,965
May	R 1,044	R 451	R 172	R 1,330	R 337	R 1,667	R 15,169	R 8,467	R 1,215	R 23,571	R 1,279	R 24,850
June	R 1,073	R 464	R 177	R 1,382	R 332	R 1,714	R 15,713	R 8,779	R 1,260	R 24,493	R 1,260	R 25,753
July	R 1,102	R 467	R 181	R 1,392	R 358	R 1,750	R 15,994	R 8,757	R 1,277	R 24,670	R 1,359	R 26,029
August	R 1,106	R 483	R 183	R 1,403	R 369	R 1,772	R 15,970	R 9,011	R 1,284	R 24,865	R 1,401	R 26,266
September	R 1,101	R 490	R 183	R 1,429	R 345	R 1,774	R 16,168	R 9,178	R 1,290	R 25,325	R 1,310	R 26,635
October	R 1,120	R 475	R 184	R 1,409	R 370	R 1,779	R 16,220	R 8,888	R 1,295	R 24,971	R 1,432	R 26,403
November	R 1,144	R 471	R 187	R 1,479	R 323	R 1,802	R 17,027	R 9,058	R 1,353	R 26,212	R 1,226	R 27,438
December	R 1,148	R 469	R 187	R 1,474	R 330	R 1,804	R 17,035	R 8,992	R 1,349	R 26,123	R 1,253	R 27,376
<b>Total</b>	<b>R 12,665</b>	<b>R 5,314</b>	<b>R 2,075</b>	<b>R 16,042</b>	<b>R 4,012</b>	<b>R 20,054</b>	<b>R 184,803</b>	<b>R 100,080</b>	<b>R 14,830</b>	<b>R 284,414</b>	<b>R 15,300</b>	<b>R 299,714</b>
<b>2023</b> January	R 1,134	R 468	R 185	R 1,483	R 304	R 1,787	R 17,015	R 9,073	R 1,349	R 26,282	R 1,154	R 27,437
February	R 1,111	R 462	R 182	R 1,515	R 240	R 1,755	R 17,169	R 9,225	R 1,367	R 26,850	R 911	R 27,761
March	R 1,088	R 479	R 180	R 1,477	R 270	R 1,747	R 16,508	R 9,390	R 1,328	R 26,176	R 1,050	R 27,226
April	R 1,086	R 480	R 180	R 1,500	R 246	R 1,746	R 16,661	R 9,514	R 1,342	R 26,584	R 934	R 27,518
May	R 1,071	R 437	R 175	R 1,433	R 250	R 1,683	R 16,398	R 8,645	R 1,302	R 25,996	R 949	R 26,345
June	R 1,023	R 400	R 166	R 1,350	R 239	R 1,589	R 16,038	R 7,607	R 1,188	R 23,925	R 907	R 24,833
July	R 990	R 403	R 162	R 1,316	R 239	R 1,555	R 15,150	R 7,887	R 1,193	R 23,323	R 907	R 24,230
August	R 970	R 369	R 157	R 1,223	R 273	R 1,496	R 14,798	R 6,824	R 1,092	R 21,675	R 1,039	R 22,714
September	R 951	R 357	R 153	R 1,216	R 245	R 1,461	R 14,710	R 6,692	R 1,079	R 21,551	R 930	R 22,481
October	R 937	R 356	R 149	R 1,201	R 241	R 1,442	R 15,920	R 6,563	R 1,033	R 22,586	R 930	R 23,516
November	R 925	R 356	R 150	R 1,194	R 237	R 1,431	R 14,034	R 6,928	R 1,098	R 21,161	R 900	R 22,060
December	R 929	R 363	R 150	R 1,213	R 229	R 1,442	R 14,198	R 7,069	R 1,099	R 21,497	R 869	R 22,367
<b>Total</b>	<b>R 12,215</b>	<b>R 4,930</b>	<b>R 1,989</b>	<b>R 16,121</b>	<b>R 3,013</b>	<b>R 19,134</b>	<b>R 188,599</b>	<b>R 95,417</b>	<b>R 14,471</b>	<b>R 287,006</b>	<b>R 11,482</b>	<b>R 298,488</b>
<b>2024</b> January	R 924	R 361	R 150	R 1,280	R 155	R 1,435	R 14,714	R 7,427	R 1,161	R 22,685	R 617	R 23,302
February	R 925	R 365	R 150	R 1,263	R 177	R 1,440	R 15,106	R 6,885	R 1,064	R 22,384	R 672	R 23,055
March	R 943	R 351	R 152	R 1,263	R 183	R 1,446	R 14,998	R 6,949	R 1,132	R 22,384	R 695	R 23,078
April	R 948	R 330	R 150	R 1,231	R 197	R 1,428	R 15,366	R 6,147	R 1,051	R 21,816	R 748	R 22,564
May	R 933	R 314	R 147	R 1,172	R 222	R 1,394	R 14,390	R 6,141	R 1,082	R 20,771	R 843	R 21,614
June	R 914	R 303	R 144	R 1,118	R 243	R 1,361	R 13,779	R 5,902	R 1,055	R 19,814	R 923	R 20,736
July	R 900	R 313	R 143	R 1,129	R 227	R 1,356	R 13,883	R 5,963	R 1,025	R 20,009	R 862	R 20,870
August	R 911	R 301	R 143	R 1,149	R 206	R 1,355	R 14,067	R 6,005	R 1,073	R 20,363	R 782	R 21,145
September	R 915	R 299	R 143	R 1,167	R 190	R 1,357	R 14,286	R 6,032	R 1,085	R 20,682	R 721	R 21,403
October	R 901	R 310	R 143	R 1,155	R 199	R 1,354	R 13,948	R 6,201	R 1,076	R 20,469	R 755	R 21,225
November	897	311	143	1,139	212	1,351	13,760	6,164	1,066	20,186	805	20,991
<b>11-Month Total</b>	<b>10,111</b>	<b>3,558</b>	<b>1,608</b>	<b>13,066</b>	<b>2,211</b>	<b>15,277</b>	<b>158,298</b>	<b>69,815</b>	<b>11,872</b>	<b>231,562</b>	<b>8,422</b>	<b>239,985</b>
<b>2023 11-Month Total</b>	<b>11,286</b>	<b>4,567</b>	<b>1,839</b>	<b>14,908</b>	<b>2,784</b>	<b>17,692</b>	<b>174,400</b>	<b>88,348</b>	<b>13,372</b>	<b>265,509</b>	<b>10,612</b>	<b>276,121</b>
<b>2022 11-Month Total</b>	<b>11,517</b>	<b>4,845</b>	<b>1,888</b>	<b>14,568</b>	<b>3,682</b>	<b>18,250</b>	<b>167,768</b>	<b>91,088</b>	<b>13,481</b>	<b>258,291</b>	<b>14,047</b>	<b>272,338</b>

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 IHS Markit, Inc.