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Highlights

Natural Gas Production

In March 2009 preliminary and adjusted Texas natural gas production was 678.50 billion cubic feet (bcf), up from 624.13 bcf produced during the same month in 2008. Note: Recent oil and gas production data are considered preliminary, incomplete, and subject to revision. See pages 3 and 6 for the most recent production adjustment factors or see the Commission's website at http://www.rrc.state.tx.us

Crude Oil Production

In March 2009 preliminary and adjusted Texas crude oil production averaged 0.978 million barrels per day (mmb/d), up from 0.955 mmb/d reported during the same month in 2008. (See Note above.)

Rotary Rigs Operating in Texas

In May 2009 the average Texas rotary rig count was 347, down from 906 rigs running during the same month last year. The May rig count was down from the April rig count of 393.

Source: Baker Hughes Co.

Permits to Drill

In May 2009 the Railroad Commission issued 771 original permits to drill, down from 1,899 permits issued during the same month last year and down from 858 permits issued in April.

Oil and Gas Well Completions

In May 2009 operators reported 442 oil completions, up from 334 oil completions during the same month last year. There were 753 gas completions in May, down from 857 gas completions reported during the same month last year. There were 1,196 wells drilled in Texas in May, up from 1,195 wells drilled during the same month last year.

Trends

EIA Short-Term Outlook for Crude Oil and Natural Gas:

The average price of imported crude for U.S. refiners (an indicator of world oil prices) is expected to fall from the average 2008 level of \$92.59 per barrel to \$55.77 per barrel during the 2nd quarter of 2009 and average \$55.59 for the year, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration's (EIA) "Short-Term Energy Outlook" for June, 2009. The price is expected to average \$64.03 per barrel for the 3rd quarter of 2009.

The West Texas Intermediate spot average is expected to fall from the average 2008 level of \$99.57 per barrel to \$58.90 per barrel during the 2nd quarter of 2009 and average \$58.70 for the year. The price is expected to average \$67.00 per barrel for the 3rd quarter of 2009.

U.S. petroleum demand is expected to decrease 2.88 percent from 2008 to 2009 at 18.86 million barrels per day, and increase by 1.59 percent from 2009 to 2010 to 19.16 million barrels per day.

U.S. natural gas demand is expected to decrease by 2.20 percent from 2008 to 2009 to 22.68 trillion cubic feet, and increase by 0.26 percent from 2009 to 2010 to 22.74 trillion cubic feet.

EIA projects that natural gas wellhead prices will average \$3.43 per mcf for the 2nd quarter of 2009 and average \$3.71 per mcf for the year. This is a 54.08 percent decrease from EIA's 2008 average wellhead price of \$8.08 per mcf.

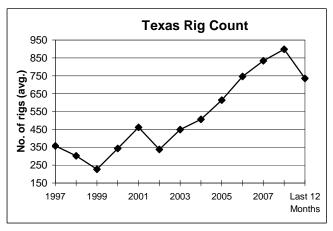
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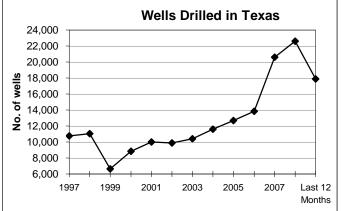
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Table 1. Texas Drilling and Completion Summary

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^{*} Source: Baker Hughes Inc.

[#] Totals shown are number of drilling permits issued.

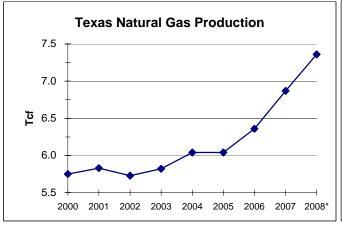
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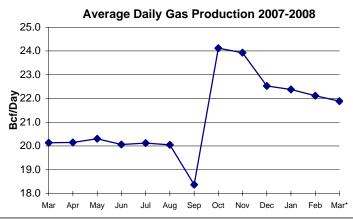
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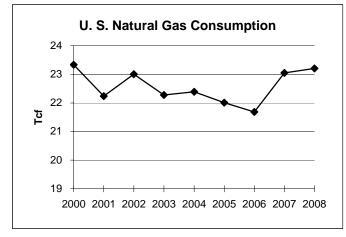
	Total	Proved	Consump-	Producing	Wellhead
Period	Production	Reserves #	tion#	Wells	Price **
1990	5.54	41.4	3.60	49,989	\$1.43
1991	5.52	39.3	3.56	49,825	\$1.39
1992	5.45	38.1	3.48	49,839	\$1.45
1993	5.61	37.8	3.74	50,794	\$1.80
1994	5.69	39.0	3.67	52,614	\$1.68
1995	5.69	39.7	3.80	53,612	\$1.36
1996	5.85	41.6	3.99	55,052	\$1.76
1997	5.85	41.1	3.95	56,736	\$2.14
1998	5.82	40.8	4.20	58,436	\$1.96
1999	5.60	43.4	4.01	59,088	\$1.86
2000	5.75	45.4	4.42	60,486	\$3.51
2001	5.83	46.5	4.25	63,598	\$4.00
2002	5.73	47.5	4.30	65,686	\$2.95
2003	5.82	48.7	4.05	68,488	\$4.88
2004	6.04	53.3	3.90	72,237	\$5.46
2005	6.04	60.2	3.50	76,510	\$7.33
2006	6.36	65.8	3.43	83,218	\$6.39
2007	6.87	76.4	3.51	88,311	\$6.37
2008*	7.36	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$8.07

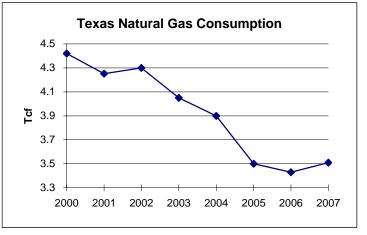
	Total Gas Pro	oduction (Bcf)		
	Monthly	Daily	Gas Well	Casinghead
Mar	624.13	20.13	561.97	62.16
Apr	604.56	20.15	543.70	60.86
May	629.48	20.31	565.51	63.97
Jun	601.93	20.06	540.91	61.02
Jul	623.87	20.12	557.15	66.72
Aug	621.44	20.05	555.29	66.15
Sep	551.11	18.37	495.70	55.41
Oct	747.69	24.12	685.63	62.06
Nov	717.87	23.93	656.58	61.29
Dec	698.28	22.53	636.14	62.14
Jan	693.78	22.38	636.36	57.42
Feb	619.25	22.12	564.57	54.68
Mar*	678.50	21.89	617.65	60.85

*Note: The most recent 12 months of production data is preliminary and subject to revision. The most recent month of data is incomplete and may underestimate the final and complete total; a production adjustment factor of 1.2203 has been applied to reported March gas well production to obtain an estimate of final gas well production.









^{**}Source: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. Wellhead price is average net taxable price (\$/Mcf) and excludes federal offshore production.

Source for 2001 and after is U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) and wellhead price is national average.

[#] Source: EIA's reserve estimates for 1986 and after, exclude federal offshore and are wet after lease separation.

Table 3. Texas Gas Storage Operations

<u></u>		Reported	Max				Preliminary	
Productive or Depleted R	eservoirs		Withdra	wal	Working Gas*	Working Gas*	Change From	Working Gas*
			Rate		Inventory 05/31/09	Inventory 05/31/08	One Year Ago	Inventory 06/15/09
Operator	Field	County Loca	tion (MMCF/I	DAY)	(MMCF)	(MMCF)	(MMCF)	(MMCF)
Oneok TX Gas Storage LP	Felmac (Yates)	Gaines		45	2,653	1,638	1,015	2,672
Oneok TX Gas Storage LP	Loop (Yates)	Gaines		75	800	800	-	800
Enbridge Pipeline LLC	Pickton (Bacon Lime)	Hopkins		15	-	-	-	-
Houston Pipe Line Co.	Bammell	Harris		1,300	44,823	17,456	27,367	46,888
Cago, Inc.	Ambassador	Clay		40	80	80	-	80
Hill Lake Gas Storage LP	Hill-Lake Sand	Eastland		450	8,241	10,176	(1,935)	8,801
ATMOS Pipeline - Texas	Lake Dallas	Denton		120	3,355	3,879	(524)	3,453
ATMOS Pipeline - Texas	La-Pan-Miss	Clay		120	2,831	2,277	554	3,008
Cummings Company, Inc.	Leeray Strawn	Stephens		20	-	-	-	-
ATMOS Pipeline - Texas	New York City	Clay		120	4,798	3,499	1,299	4,968
Fort Concho Gas Storage, Inc.	Pecan Station	Tom Green		28	393	395	(2)	393
ATMOS Pipeline - Texas	Tri-Cities Bacon	Henderson		275	17,911	20,787	(2,876)	18,176
ATMOS Pipeline - Texas	Tri-Cities Rodessa	Henderson		50	41	251	(210)	41
Lower Colorado River Authority	Hilbig	Bastrop		100	2,501	2,432	` 69 [°]	2,430
Natural Gas Pipeline Co.	North Lansing	Harrison		1,100	88,168	67,872	20,296	89,658
Devon Gas Services LP	Lone Camp	Palo Pinto		28	257	331	(74)	381
Pelican Transmission LLC	Clear Lake	Harris		900	61,915	39,937	21,978	65,129
Energy Transfer Fuel LP	Bryson	Jack		100	5,045	5,592	(547)	5,269
Worsham-Steed Gas Storage, Inc.	Worsham Steed	Jack		25	24,996	19,167	5,829	26,669
Katy Storage and Transportation LP	Pottsville	Hamilton		200	-		-	-
Enstor Katy Storage and Transportation LP	Katv Hub & Storage	Fort Bend		700	23,746	22,183	1,563	23,771
	randy rank or crossage	Subtotals		5,811	292,554	218,752	73,802	302,587
Salt Caverns		1		•	,	•	•	•
Oneok TX Gas Storage LP	Salado (Loop Yates)	Gaines		500	1,728	1,633	95	1,846
Kinder Morgan Tejas Pipeline LP	Stratton Ridge	Brazoria		250	1,350	530	820	1,286
Centana Intrastate Pipeline LLC	Spindletop	Jefferson		400	3,965	6,616	(2,651)	4,381
Dow Chemical Co.	Stratton Ridge #34	Brazoria		200	-	-	-	-
Dow Chemical Co.	Stratton Ridge #6	Brazoria		180	722	941	(219)	728
Kinder Morgan Texas Pipeline LP	North Dayton	Liberty		750	3,200	2,276	924	2,900
ATMOS Pipeline - Texas	Bethel	Anderson		600	4,001	5,530	(1,529)	4,164
Moss Bluff Hub Partners LP	Moss Bluff	Liberty		1,000	8,556	10,952	(2,396)	10,002
Chevron Phillips Chemical Co	Clemens	Brazoria		75	1,913	343	1,570	1,915
PB Energy Storage Services, Inc.	Spindletop	Jefferson		480	6,837	6,838	(1)	7,046
Underground Services Markham, LP	Markham	Matagorda		500	17,119	15,828	1,291	18,392
Energy Transfer Fuel LP	Bethel Salt Dome	Anderson		600	4,329	3,453	876	4,550
Enterprise Products Operating LP	Wilson	Wharton		800	4,959	1,929	3,030	5,934
Chevron Keystone Gas Storage	Keystone Gas Storage	Winkler		350	5,612	4,435	1,177	5,501
Underground Storage, LLC	Pierce Junction	Harris		350	2,510	1,586	924	2,742
Tres Palacios Storage LLC	Markham	Matagorda		2,500	14,396	-	14,396	15,515
Č		Subtotals		9,535	81,197	62,890	18,307	86,902
Source: RRC Form G-3			TOTALS 1	5,346	373,751	281,642	92,109	389,489

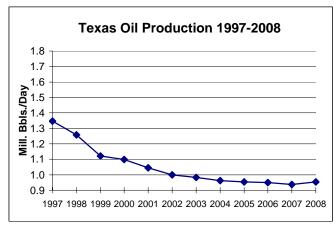
^{*} Note: Native Gas volumes are included in Working Gas volumes with the exception of Houston Pipe Line's Bammel facility and Natural Gas Pipeline Co. of America's North Lansing facility. (The Native Gas in the Bammel and North Lansing facilities is part of the non-working resident gas.)

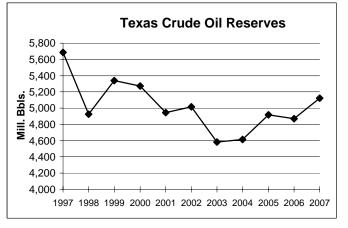
Table 4. Texas Gas Storage Operations, 2008 - 2009

	Depleted Reservoirs		voirs	S	alt Caverns	5	Total			
	Beginning Balance ((Mmcf)	Injections/ (Withdrawals) (Mmcf)	Ending Balance (Mmcf)	Beginning Balance ((Mmcf)	Injections/ (Withdrawals) (Mmcf)	Ending Balance (Mmcf)	Beginning Balance (\ (Mmcf)	Injections/ Withdrawals) (Mmcf)	Ending Balance (Mmcf)	
May-08	193,535	25,219	218,754	55,061	7,810	62,871	248,596	33,029	281,625	
Jun-08	218,754	(6,162)	212,592	62,871	1,148	64,019	281,625	(5,014)	276,611	
Jul-08	212,592	(11,664)	200,928	64,019	3,728	67,747	276,611	(7,936)	268,675	
Aug-08	200,928	1,418	202,346	67,747	(3,587)	64,160	268,675	(2,169)	266,506	
Sep-08	202,346	23,365	225,711	64,160	1,305	65,465	266,506	24,670	291,176	
Oct-08	225,711	22,650	248,361	65,465	1,185	66,650	291,176	23,835	315,011	
Nov-08	248,361	22,416	270,777	66,650	10,868	77,518	315,011	33,284	348,295	
Dec-08	270,777	(16,278)	254,499	77,518	(2,543)	74,975	348,295	(18,821)	329,474	
Jan-09	254,499	(16,834)	237,665	74,975	(11,966)	63,009	329,474	(28,800)	300,674	
Feb-09	237,665	5,296	242,961	63,009	(2,767)	60,242	300,674	2,529	303,203	
Mar-09	242,961	10,833	253,794	60,242	3,375	63,617	303,203	14,208	317,411	
Apr-09	253,794	19,478	273,272	63,617	11,449	75,066	317,411	30,927	348,338	
May-09	273,272	19,282	292,554	75,066	6,131	81,197	348,338	25,413	373,751	

Table 5. Texas Crude Oil (million barrels)

	Total	Daily	% of U.S.	Proved	% of U.S.	Producing	WTI Spot
Period	Production	Average	Production	Reserves #	Reserves	Wells *	Price **
1990	646	1.77	24.2	7,106	27.1	194,962	\$19.74
1991	644	1.77	24.0	6,797	27.5	196,292	\$21.48
1992	614	1.68	23.5	6,441	27.1	193,310	\$18.61
1993	576	1.58	22.9	6,171	26.9	186,342	\$17.30
1994	542	1.49	22.3	5,847	26.0	179,955	\$14.73
1995	513	1.40	21.5	5,743	25.7	177,397	\$16.31
1996	500	1.37	21.0	5,736	26.0	175,277	\$18.77
1997	491	1.35	21.0	5,687	25.2	175,475	\$20.01
1998	460	1.26	20.1	4,927	23.4	170,288	\$14.06
1999	409	1.12	19.1	5,339	24.5	162,620	\$14.31
2000	401	1.10	18.8	5,273	23.9	161,097	\$28.71
2001	381	1.04	18.0	4,944	22.0	159,357	\$24.62
2002	365	1.00	17.4	5,015	22.1	155,865	\$24.33
2003	359	0.98	17.4	4,583	20.9	153,461	\$31.08
2004	351	0.96	17.7	4,613	21.5	151,205	\$41.51
2005	348	0.95	18.4	4,919	19.0	151,286	\$56.64
2006	347	0.95	18.6	4,871	23.4	151,832	\$66.05
2007	342	0.94	18.5	5,122	24.0	153,223	\$72.34
2008	348	0.95	19.2	n/a	n/a	n/a	\$99.67
Mar	29.60	0.000	*Note: The most recent		Toyoo	Dil Production 2007-200	no
Apr	28.69	บรรกา	12 months of production		rexas C	711 Production 2007-200	J0
May	29.58	0.0E1	data is preliminary and subject to revision. The	1.05			
Jun	28.31		most recent month of	1.00			
Jul	29.54	0.953	data is incomplete and	0.05			
Aug	29.47	0.951	may underestimate the	0.95 0.90 0.90 0.85			
Sep	27.45	0 4151	final and complete total;	№ 0.90		<u> </u>	
Oct	29.72	0.0E0I	a production adjustment factor of 1.0732 has	₹0.85			
Nov	29.05		been applied to reported				
Dec	29.57		March crude oil	0.80			
Jan	29.19	0.942	production to obtain an	0.75	+ +	+ + + + + + +	
Feb	27.34	0.9761	estimate of final crude oil	Mar Ap	or May Jun .	Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec	c Jan Feb Mar*
Mar*	30.31	0.978	production.				





Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA). Reserve estimates for 1985 and after exclude federal offshore.

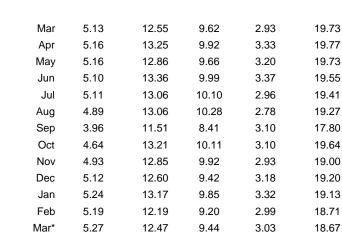
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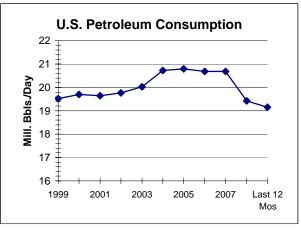
^{**} Source: Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts. Wellhead price is average net taxable price (\$/bbl.) and excludes federal offshore production.

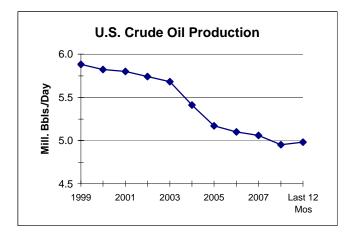
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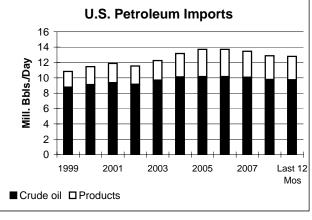
Table 6. U. S. Petroleum Overview (million barrels per day)

		Imports **	k		Products	Proved	Wells	Wellhead
Period	Production *	Total	Crude Oil	Products	Supplied #	Reserves **	Drilled **	Price **
1990	7.36	8.02	5.89	2.12	16.99	26,254	32,067	\$20.03
1991	7.42	7.63	5.78	1.84	16.71	24,682	29,528	\$16.54
1992	7.17	7.89	6.08	1.81	17.03	23,745	23,608	\$15.99
1993	6.85	8.62	6.79	1.83	17.24	22,957	25,451	\$14.25
1994	6.66	9.00	7.06	1.93	17.72	22,457	22,255	\$13.19
1995	6.56	8.84	7.23	1.61	17.72	22,351	21,600	\$14.62
1996	6.47	9.48	7.51	1.97	18.31	22,017	23,886	\$18.46
1997	6.45	10.16	8.23	1.94	18.62	22,546	27,586	\$17.23
1998	6.25	10.71	8.71	2.00	18.92	21,034	22,911	\$10.87
1999	5.88	10.85	8.73	2.12	19.52	21,765	18,939	\$15.56
2000	5.82	11.46	9.07	2.39	19.70	22,045	29,038	\$26.72
2001	5.80	11.87	9.33	2.54	19.65	22,446	35,303	\$21.84
2002	5.74	11.53	9.14	2.39	19.76	22,677	27,655	\$22.51
2003	5.68	12.26	9.66	2.60	20.03	21,891	32,511	\$27.56
2004	5.41	13.15	10.09	3.06	20.73	21,371	36,379	\$36.77
2005	5.17	13.72	10.13	3.59	20.80	21,757	42,673	\$50.28
2006	5.10	13.71	10.12	3.59	20.69	20,972	50,081	\$59.69
2007	5.06	13.47	10.03	3.44	20.68	21,317	50,582	\$66.52
2008	4.95	12.88	9.76	3.12	19.42	n/a	55,669	\$94.04
Last 12 Mos	4.98	12.80	9.69	3.11	19.16			









^{*} Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA). Recent production data is preliminary and subject to revision.

[#] Source: EIA. Petroleum products supplied is a measure of domestic consumption.

^{**} Source: EIA. Wells drilled includes crude oil, natural gas, and dry wells drilled. U.S. average wellhead (first purchase) price is dollars per barrel.

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We believe the people of Texas continue to have a vital stake in the orderly production and conservation of the state's natural resources. Across the state, crude oil and natural gas are produced in 179 of 254 counties. About 230,000 persons are employed in oil and gas exploration, production, refining, and related industries. In all, businesses involved with the Texas oil and gas industry contribute about \$159.3 billion annually to the state's more than one trillion-dollar economy.

As an oil and gas producer, the state of Texas ranks among the nations of the world. Texas leads the United States in the production of crude oil and natural gas, and its marketed production of natural gas represents one-third of total U. S. supply. Texas produces an average of nearly one million barrels of oil a day; natural gas production in the state exceeds 6 trillion cubic feet a year.

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