

**Table 6.1 Natural Gas Overview, Selected Years, 1949-2010**  
(Billion Cubic Feet)

Year	Dry Gas Production	Supplemental Gaseous Fuels <sup>2</sup>	Trade			Storage <sup>1</sup> Activity			Balancing Item <sup>5</sup>	Consumption <sup>6</sup>
			Imports	Exports	Net Imports <sup>3</sup>	Withdrawals	Additions	Net Withdrawals <sup>4</sup>		
1949	5,195	NA	0	20	-20	106	172	-66	-139	4,971
1950	6,022	NA	0	26	-26	175	230	-54	-175	5,767
1955	9,029	NA	11	31	-20	437	505	-68	-247	8,694
1960	12,228	NA	156	11	144	713	844	-132	-274	11,967
1965	15,286	NA	456	26	430	960	1,078	-118	-319	15,280
1970	21,014	NA	821	70	751	1,459	1,857	-398	-228	21,139
1975	19,236	NA	953	73	880	1,760	2,104	-344	-235	19,538
1976	19,098	NA	964	65	899	1,921	1,756	165	-216	19,946
1977	19,163	NA	1,011	56	955	1,750	2,307	-557	-41	19,521
1978	19,122	NA	966	53	913	2,158	2,278	-120	-287	19,627
1979	19,663	NA	1,253	56	1,198	2,047	2,295	-248	-372	20,241
1980	19,403	155	985	49	936	1,972	1,949	23	-640	19,877
1981	19,181	176	904	59	845	1,930	2,228	-297	-500	19,404
1982	17,820	145	933	52	882	2,164	2,472	-308	-537	18,001
1983	16,094	132	918	55	864	2,270	1,822	447	-703	16,835
1984	17,466	110	843	55	788	2,098	2,295	-197	-217	17,951
1985	16,454	126	950	55	894	2,397	2,163	235	-428	17,281
1986	16,059	113	750	61	689	1,837	1,984	-147	-493	16,221
1987	16,621	101	993	54	939	1,905	1,911	-6	-444	17,211
1988	17,103	101	1,294	74	1,220	2,270	2,211	59	-453	18,030
1989	17,311	107	1,382	107	1,275	2,854	2,528	326	101	<sup>7</sup> 19,119
1990	17,810	123	1,532	86	1,447	1,986	2,499	-513	307	<sup>7</sup> 19,174
1991	17,698	113	1,773	129	1,644	2,752	2,672	80	27	<sup>7</sup> 19,562
1992	17,840	118	2,138	216	1,921	2,772	2,599	173	176	<sup>7</sup> 20,228
1993	18,095	119	2,350	140	2,210	2,799	2,835	-36	401	20,790
1994	18,821	111	2,624	162	2,462	2,579	2,865	-286	139	21,247
1995	18,599	110	2,841	154	2,687	3,025	2,610	415	396	22,207
1996	18,854	109	2,937	153	2,784	2,981	2,979	2	860	22,609
1997	18,902	103	2,994	157	2,837	2,894	2,870	24	871	22,737
1998	19,024	102	3,152	159	2,993	2,432	2,961	-530	657	22,246
1999	18,832	98	3,586	163	3,422	2,808	2,636	172	-119	22,405
2000	19,182	90	3,782	244	3,538	3,550	2,721	829	-305	23,333
2001	19,616	86	3,977	373	3,604	2,344	3,510	-1,166	99	22,239
2002	18,928	68	4,015	516	3,499	3,180	2,713	467	45	23,007
2003	19,099	68	3,944	680	3,264	3,161	3,358	-197	44	22,277
2004	18,591	60	4,259	854	3,404	3,088	3,202	-114	448	22,389
2005	18,051	64	4,341	729	3,612	3,107	3,055	52	232	22,011
2006	18,504	66	4,186	724	3,462	2,527	2,963	-436	89	21,685
2007	19,266	63	4,608	822	3,785	3,375	3,183	192	-209	23,097
2008	<sup>R</sup> 20,159	61	3,984	<sup>R</sup> 963	<sup>R</sup> 3,021	<sup>R</sup> 3,420	<sup>R</sup> 3,385	34	<sup>R</sup> -7	<sup>R</sup> 23,268
2009	<sup>R</sup> 20,580	<sup>R</sup> 65	<sup>R</sup> 3,751	<sup>R</sup> 1,072	<sup>R</sup> 2,679	<sup>R</sup> 3,007	<sup>R</sup> 3,362	<sup>R</sup> -355	<sup>R</sup> -130	<sup>R</sup> 22,840
2010	<sup>E</sup> 21,577	<sup>P</sup> 67	<sup>P</sup> 3,737	<sup>P</sup> 1,136	<sup>P</sup> 2,601	<sup>P</sup> 3,303	<sup>P</sup> 3,298	<sup>P</sup> 5	<sup>P</sup> -117	<sup>P</sup> 24,133

<sup>1</sup> Underground storage. For 1980-2009, also includes liquefied natural gas in above-ground tanks.

<sup>2</sup> See Note 1, "Supplemental Gaseous Fuels," at end of section.

<sup>3</sup> Net imports equal imports minus exports. Minus sign indicates exports are greater than imports.

<sup>4</sup> Net withdrawals equal withdrawals minus additions. Minus sign indicates additions are greater than withdrawals.

<sup>5</sup> Quantities lost and imbalances in data due to differences among data sources. Since 1980, excludes intransit shipments that cross the U.S.-Canada border (i.e., natural gas delivered to its destination via the other country).

<sup>6</sup> See Note 2, "Natural Gas Consumption," at end of section.

<sup>7</sup> For 1989-1992, a small amount of consumption at independent power producers may be counted in both "Other Industrial" and "Electric Power Sector" on Table 6.5. See Note 3, "Natural Gas Consumption, 1989-1992," at end of section.

R=Revised. P=Preliminary. E=Estimate. NA=Not available.

Notes: • Beginning with 1965, all volumes are shown on a pressure base of 14.73 p.s.i.a. at 60° F. For prior years, the pressure base was 14.65 p.s.i.a. at 60° F. • Totals may not equal sum of components due to independent rounding.

Web Pages: • See <http://www.eia.gov/totalenergy/data/annual/#naturalgas> for all data beginning in 1949. • For related information, see <http://www.eia.gov/naturalgas/>.

Sources: **Dry Gas Production:** Table 6.2. **Supplemental Gaseous Fuels:** • 1980-2005—U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), *Natural Gas Annual (NGA)*, annual reports. • 2006 forward—EIA, *Natural Gas Monthly (NGM)* (March 2011), Table 1. **Trade:** Table 6.3. **Storage Activity:** • 1949-2009—EIA, NGA, annual reports. • 2010—EIA, NGM (March 2011), Table 6. **Balancing Item:** Calculated as consumption minus dry gas production, supplemental gaseous fuels, net imports, and net withdrawals. **Consumption:** Table 6.5.