

**Table 6.2 Natural Gas Production, Selected Years, 1949-2010**  
(Billion Cubic Feet)

Year	Natural Gas Gross Withdrawals					Repressuring	Nonhydrocarbon Gases Removed	Vented and Flared	Marketed Production	Extraction Loss <sup>1</sup>	Dry Gas Production
	Natural Gas Wells	Crude Oil Wells	Coalbed Wells	Shale Gas Wells	Total						
1949	4,986	2,561	NA	NA	7,547	1,273	NA	854	5,420	224	5,195
1950	5,603	2,876	NA	NA	8,480	1,397	NA	801	6,282	260	6,022
1955	7,842	3,878	NA	NA	11,720	1,541	NA	774	9,405	377	9,029
1960	10,853	4,234	NA	NA	15,088	1,754	NA	563	12,771	543	12,228
1965	13,524	4,440	NA	NA	17,963	1,604	NA	319	16,040	753	15,286
1970	18,595	5,192	NA	NA	23,786	1,376	NA	489	21,921	906	21,014
1975	17,380	3,723	NA	NA	21,104	861	NA	134	20,109	872	19,236
1976	17,191	3,753	NA	NA	20,944	859	NA	132	19,952	854	19,098
1977	17,416	3,681	NA	NA	21,097	935	NA	137	20,025	863	19,163
1978	17,394	3,915	NA	NA	21,309	1,181	NA	153	19,974	852	19,122
1979	18,034	3,849	NA	NA	21,883	1,245	NA	167	20,471	808	19,663
1980	17,573	4,297	NA	NA	21,870	1,365	199	125	20,180	777	19,403
1981	17,337	4,251	NA	NA	21,587	1,312	222	98	19,956	775	19,181
1982	15,809	4,463	NA	NA	20,272	1,388	208	93	18,582	762	17,820
1983	14,153	4,506	NA	NA	18,659	1,458	222	95	16,884	790	16,094
1984	15,513	4,754	NA	NA	20,267	1,630	224	108	18,304	838	17,466
1985	14,535	5,071	NA	NA	19,607	1,915	326	95	17,270	816	16,454
1986	14,154	4,977	NA	NA	19,131	1,838	337	98	16,859	800	16,059
1987	14,807	5,333	NA	NA	20,140	2,208	376	124	17,433	812	16,621
1988	15,467	5,532	NA	NA	20,999	2,478	460	143	17,918	816	17,103
1989	15,709	5,366	NA	NA	21,074	2,475	362	142	18,095	785	17,311
1990	16,054	5,469	NA	NA	21,523	2,489	289	150	18,594	784	17,810
1991	16,018	5,732	NA	NA	21,750	2,772	276	170	18,532	835	17,698
1992	16,165	5,967	NA	NA	22,132	2,973	280	168	18,712	872	17,840
1993	16,691	6,035	NA	NA	22,726	3,103	414	227	18,982	886	18,095
1994	17,351	6,230	NA	NA	23,581	3,231	412	228	19,710	889	18,821
1995	17,282	6,462	NA	NA	23,744	3,565	388	284	19,506	908	18,599
1996	17,737	6,376	NA	NA	24,114	3,511	518	272	19,812	958	18,854
1997	17,844	6,369	NA	NA	24,213	3,492	599	256	19,866	964	18,902
1998	17,729	6,380	NA	NA	24,108	3,427	617	103	19,961	938	19,024
1999	17,590	6,233	NA	NA	23,823	3,293	615	110	19,805	973	18,832
2000	17,726	6,448	NA	NA	24,174	3,380	505	91	20,198	1,016	19,182
2001	18,129	6,371	NA	NA	24,501	3,371	463	97	20,570	954	19,616
2002	17,795	6,146	NA	NA	23,941	3,455	502	99	19,885	957	18,928
2003	17,882	6,237	NA	NA	24,119	3,548	499	98	19,974	876	19,099
2004	17,885	6,084	NA	NA	23,970	3,702	654	96	19,517	927	18,591
2005	17,472	5,985	NA	NA	23,457	3,700	711	119	18,927	876	18,051
2006	17,996	5,539	NA	NA	23,535	3,265	731	129	19,410	906	18,504
2007	17,065	5,818	1,780	NA	24,664	3,663	661	143	20,196	930	19,266
2008	<sup>R</sup> 15,618	<sup>R</sup> 5,747	<sup>R</sup> 1,986	2,284	<sup>R</sup> 25,636	3,639	<sup>R</sup> 719	167	<sup>R</sup> 21,112	953	<sup>R</sup> 20,159
2009	<sup>R</sup> 14,839	<sup>R</sup> 5,813	<sup>R</sup> 1,977	3,384	<sup>R</sup> 26,013	<sup>R</sup> 3,522	<sup>R</sup> 722	<sup>R</sup> 165	<sup>R</sup> 21,604	<sup>R</sup> 1,024	<sup>R</sup> 20,580
2010	<sup>E</sup> 14,760	<sup>E</sup> 5,782	<sup>E</sup> 1,967	<sup>E</sup> 4,350	<sup>P</sup> 26,858	<sup>E</sup> 3,427	<sup>E</sup> 702	<sup>E</sup> 161	<sup>E</sup> 22,569	<sup>P</sup> 992	<sup>E</sup> 21,577

<sup>1</sup> Volume reduction resulting from the removal of natural gas plant liquids, which are transferred to petroleum supply (see Tables 5.1b and 5.10).

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

Notes: • Beginning with 1965 data, 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: **Natural Gas Wells, Crude Oil Wells, and Coalbed Wells:** • 1949-1966—Bureau of Mines, *Minerals Yearbook*, "Natural Gas" chapter. • 1967-2009—U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA), *Natural Gas Annual (NGA)*, annual reports. • 2010—EIA estimates based on previous year's data. **Shale Gas Wells:** • 2008 and 2009—EIA, NGA, annual reports. • 2010—EIA estimate based on data from HPDI, LLC. **Total Gross Withdrawals, Marketed Production, Extraction Loss, and Dry Gas Production:** • 1949-2005—EIA, NGA, annual reports. • 2006 forward—EIA, *Natural Gas Monthly* (March 2011), Table 1. **All Other Data:** • 1949-2009—EIA, NGA, annual reports. • 2010—EIA estimates based on previous year's data.