

# State of Maine ENERGY SECTOR RISK PROFILE

This State Energy Risk Profile examines the relative magnitude of the risks that the State of Maine’s energy infrastructure routinely encounters in comparison with the probable impacts. Natural and man-made hazards with the potential to cause disruption of the energy infrastructure are identified.

The Risk Profile highlights risk considerations relating to the electric, petroleum and natural gas infrastructures to become more aware of risks to these energy systems and assets.

## MAINE STATE FACTS

### State Overview

Population: 1.33 million (<1% total U.S.)  
Housing Units: 0.72 million (1% total U.S.)  
Business Establishments: 0.04 million (1% total U.S.)

### Annual Energy Consumption

Electric Power: 11.6 TWh (<1% total U.S.)  
Coal: 0 MSTN (0% total U.S.)  
Natural Gas: 413 Bcf (2% total U.S.)  
Motor Gasoline: 16,100 Mbarrels (1% total U.S.)  
Distillate Fuel: 10,800 Mbarrels (1% total U.S.)

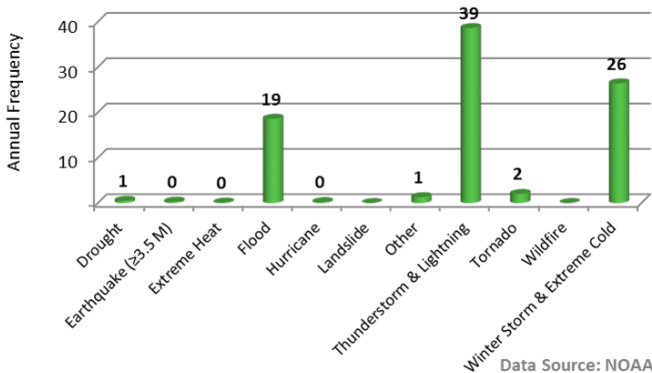
### Annual Energy Production

Electric Power Generation: 14.4 TWh (<1% total U.S.)  
Coal: 0 TWh, <1% [0.1 GW total capacity]  
Petroleum: 0.1 TWh, <1% [1 GW total capacity]  
Natural Gas: 6 TWh, 42% [1.9 GW total capacity]  
Nuclear: 0 TWh, 0% [0 GW total capacity]  
Hydro: 3.7 TWh, 26% [0.7 GW total capacity]  
Other Renewable: 0.9 TWh, 6% [1 GW total capacity]

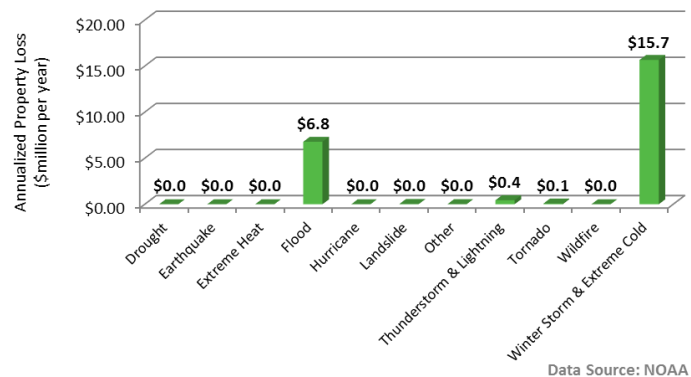
Coal: 0 MSTN (0% total U.S.)  
Natural Gas: 0 Bcf (0% total U.S.)  
Crude Oil: 0 Mbarrels (0% total U.S.)  
Ethanol: 0 Mbarrels (0% total U.S.)

## NATURAL HAZARDS OVERVIEW

Annual Frequency of Occurrence of Natural Hazards in Maine (1996–2014)



Annualized Property Loss due to Natural Hazards in Maine (1996–2014)



- According to NOAA, the most common natural hazard in Maine is Thunderstorm & Lightning, which occurs once every 9.5 days on the average during the months of March to October.
- The second-most common natural hazard in Maine is Winter Storm & Extreme Cold, which occurs once every 13.8 days on the average during the months of October to March.

- As reported by NOAA, the natural hazard in Maine that caused the greatest overall property loss during 1996 to 2014 is Winter Storm & Extreme Cold at \$15.7 million per year.
- The natural hazard with the second-highest property loss in Maine is Flood at \$6.8 million per year.

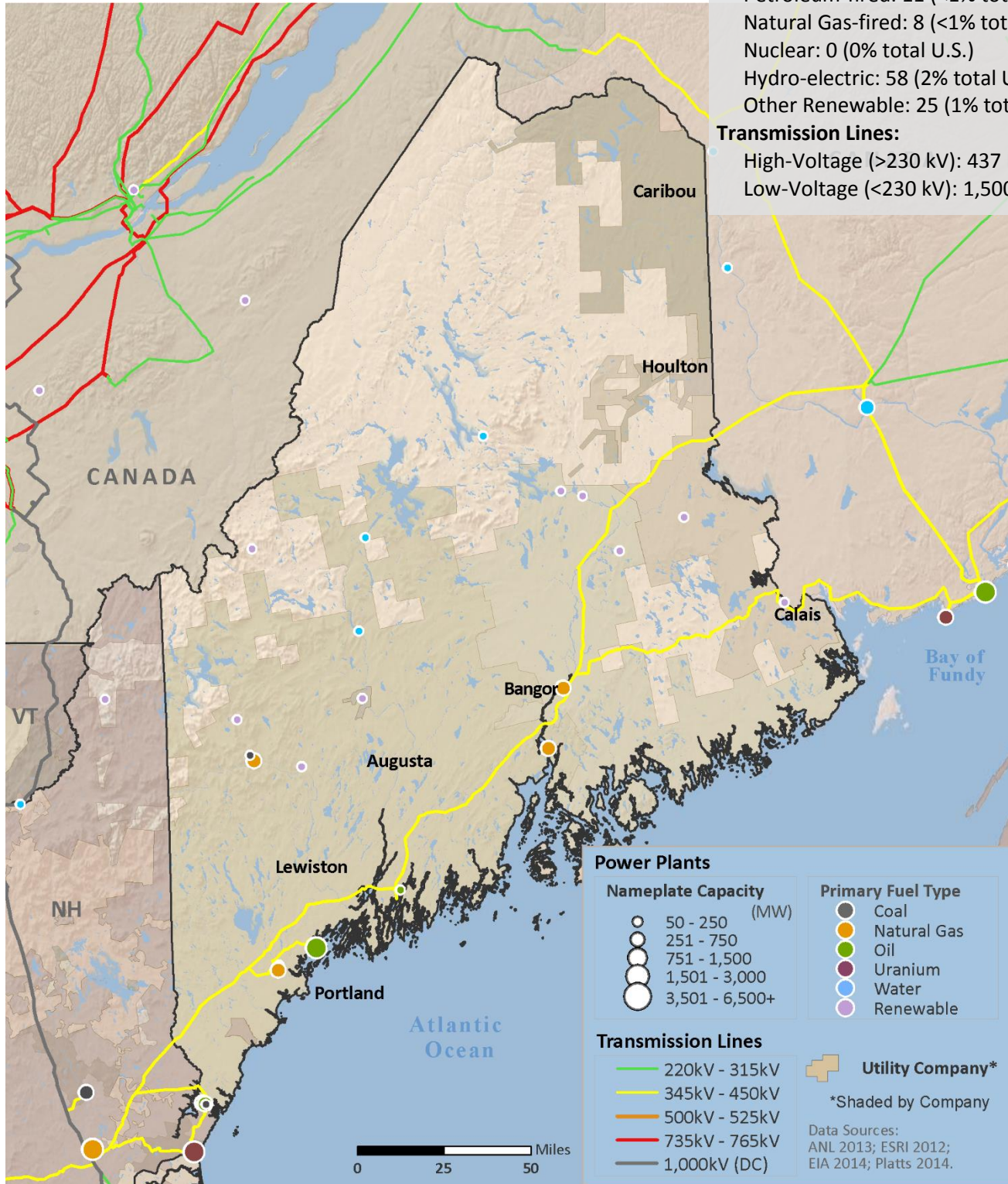
# ELECTRIC

**Electric Power Plants: 103 (1% total U.S.)**

- Coal-fired: 1 (<1% total U.S.)
- Petroleum-fired: 11 (<1% total U.S.)
- Natural Gas-fired: 8 (<1% total U.S.)
- Nuclear: 0 (0% total U.S.)
- Hydro-electric: 58 (2% total U.S.)
- Other Renewable: 25 (1% total U.S.)

**Transmission Lines:**

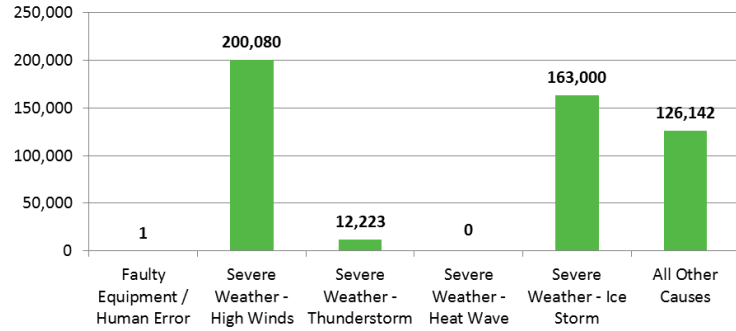
- High-Voltage (>230 kV): 437 Miles
- Low-Voltage (<230 kV): 1,500 Miles



# Electric Transmission

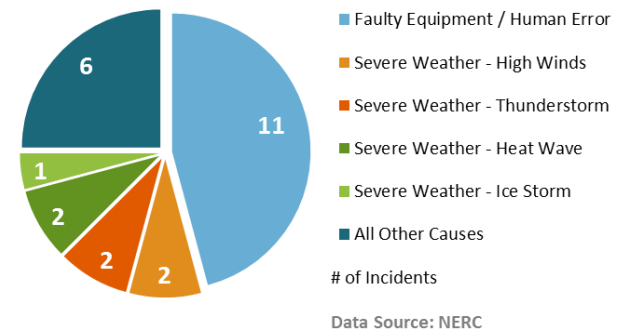
- › According to NERC, the leading cause of electric transmission outages in Maine is **Faulty Equipment/Human Error**.
- › Maine experienced **24 electric transmission outages** from 1992 to 2009, affecting a total of **501,446** electric customers.
- › **Severe Weather – High Winds** affected the largest number of electric customers as a result of electric transmission outages.

**Electric Customers Disrupted by NERC-Reported Electric Transmission Outages by Cause (1992–2009)**



Data Source: NERC

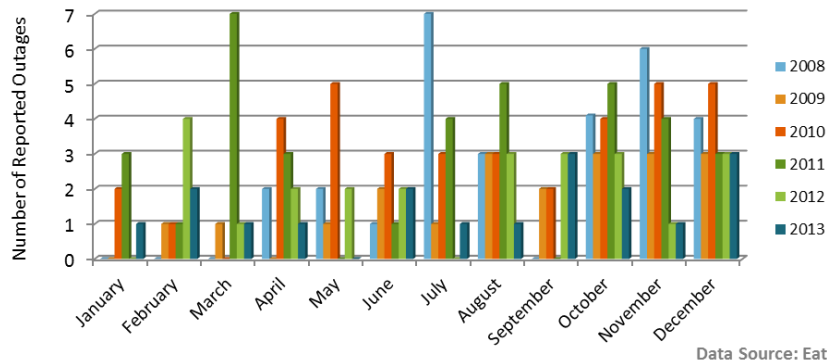
**Number of NERC-Reported Electric Transmission Outages by Cause (1992–2009)**



Data Source: NERC

# Electric Distribution

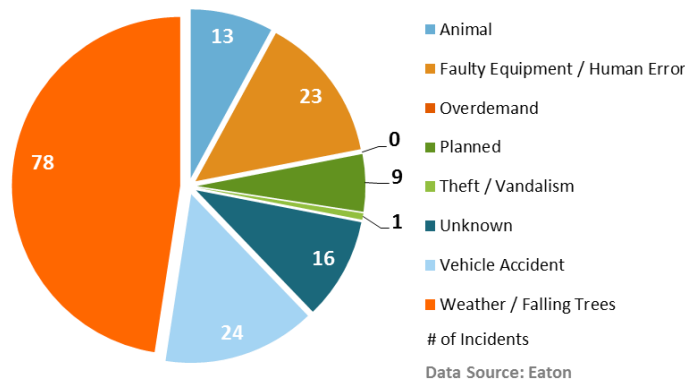
**Electric Utility Reported Power Outages by Month (2008–2013)**



Data Source: Eaton

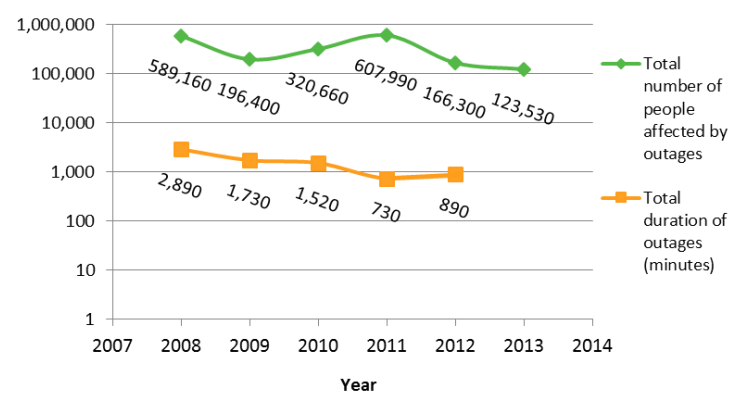
- › Between 2008 and 2013, the greatest number of electric outages in Maine has occurred during the month of **October**.
- › The leading cause of electric outages in Maine during 2008 to 2013 was **Weather/Falling Trees**.
- › On average, the number of people affected annually by electric outages during 2008 to 2013 in Maine was **334,007**.
- › The average duration of electric outages in Maine during 2008 to 2012 was **1,293 minutes or 21.6 hours a year**.\*

**Causes of Electric-Utility Reported Outages (2008–2013)**



Data Source: Eaton

**Utility Outage Data (2008–2013)**



Data Source: Eaton

› NOTE: # of Incidents – The number within each pie slice is the number of event incidents attributable to each cause.

\*Data not available for Maine in 2013. Data averaged over 5 years.

# PETROLEUM

### Petroleum Infrastructure Overview

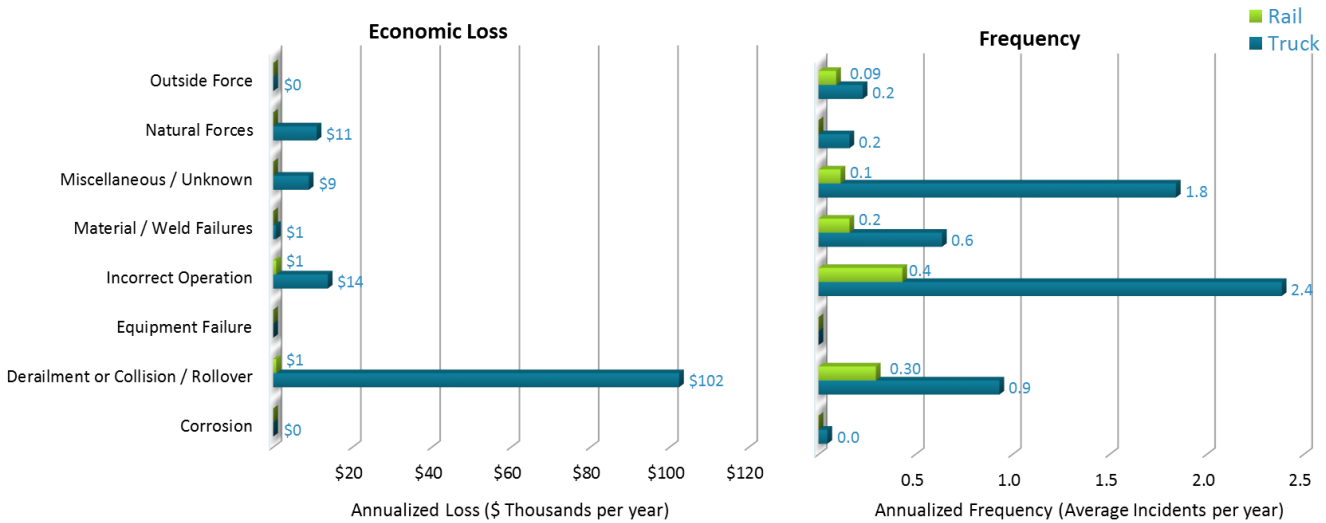
Refineries: 0 (0% total U.S.)  
 Terminals: 16 (1% total U.S.)  
 Crude Pipelines: 143 Miles (<1% total U.S.)  
 Product Pipelines: 120 Miles (<1% total U.S.)  
 Bio-Refineries (Ethanol): 0 (0% total U.S.)



# Petroleum Transport

The leading event type affecting the **transport of petroleum product by rail and truck** in Maine during 1986 to 2014 was **Incorrect Operation** for rail transport and **Incorrect Operation** for truck transport, with an average **0.4 (or one incident every 2.5 years)** and **2.4 incidents** per year, respectively.

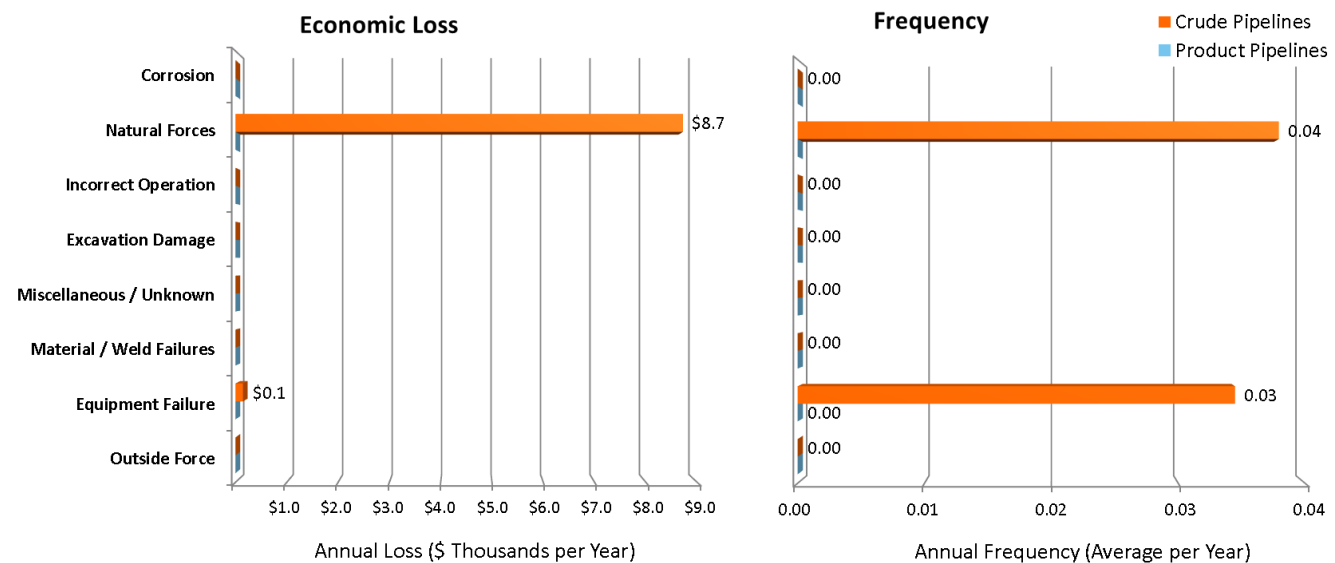
## Top Events Affecting Petroleum Transport by Truck and Rail (1986–2014)



Data Source: DOT PHMSA

The leading event type affecting **crude oil pipeline** in Maine during 1986 to 2014 was **Natural Forces**, with an average **0.04 incidents** per year (or one incident every 26.4 years). There are no refined product pipelines in the State of Maine.

## Top Events Affecting Crude Oil and Refined Product Pipelines in Maine (1986–2014)



Data Source: DOT PHMSA

# NATURAL GAS

### Natural Gas Infrastructure Overview

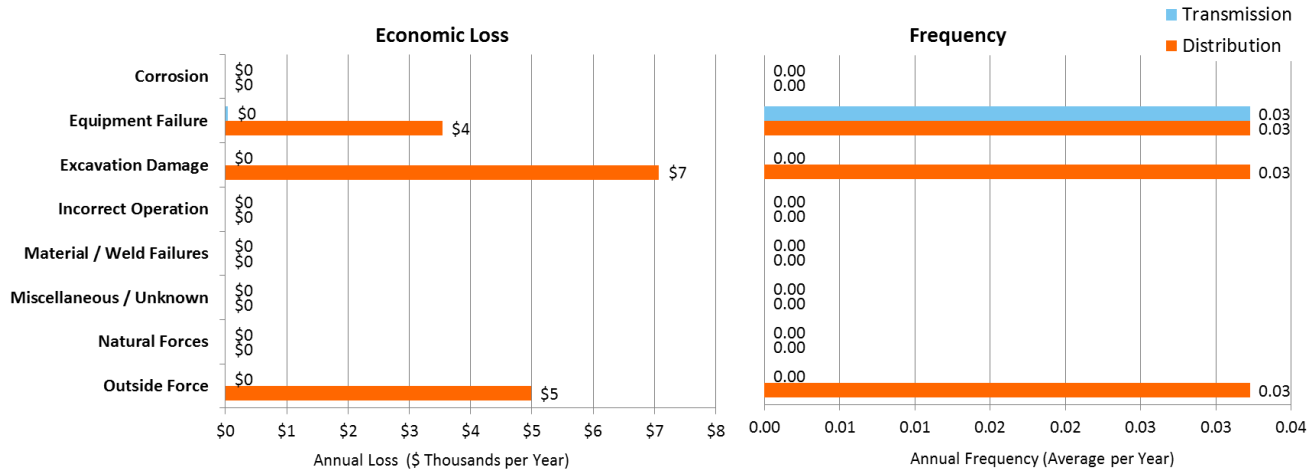
Gas Wells: 0 (0% total U.S.)  
Processing Plants: 0 (0% total U.S.)  
Storage Fields: 0 (0% total U.S.)  
Interstate Pipelines: 300 Miles (<1% total U.S.)  
Local Distribution Companies: 4 (<1% total U.S.)



# Natural Gas Transport

› The leading event type affecting natural gas transmission and distribution pipelines in Maine during 1986 to 2014 was **Equipment Failure** for Transmission Pipelines and **Excavation Damage** for Distribution Pipelines, with an average **0.03 and 0.03 incidents** per year (or one incident every 31 and 31 years), respectively.

Top Events Affecting Natural Gas Transmission and Distribution in Maine (1986–2014)



Data Source: DOT PHMSA



# DATA SOURCES

## Overview Information

- › NOAA (2014) Storms Events Database [[www.ncdc.noaa.gov/data-access/severe-weather](http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/data-access/severe-weather)]
- › Census Bureau (2012) State and County QuickFacts [[http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/download\\_data.html](http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/download_data.html)]

## Production Numbers

- › EIA (2012) Table P1 Energy Production Estimates in Physical Units [[http://www.eia.gov/state/seds/sep\\_prod/pdf/P1.pdf](http://www.eia.gov/state/seds/sep_prod/pdf/P1.pdf)]
- › EIA (2013) Natural Gas Gross Withdrawals and Production [[http://www.eia.gov/dnav/ng/ng\\_prod\\_sum\\_a\\_EPG0\\_VGM\\_mmcfc\\_a.htm](http://www.eia.gov/dnav/ng/ng_prod_sum_a_EPG0_VGM_mmcfc_a.htm)]
- › EIA (2012) Electric Power Annual, Table 3.6. Net Generation by State, by Sector, 2012 and 2011 (Thousand Megawatt hours) [<http://www.eia.gov/electricity/annual/pdf/epa.pdf>]
- › EIA (2012) Electric Power Annual, Existing Nameplate and Net Summer Capacity by Energy Source, Producer Type and State (EIA-860) [<http://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/state/>]

## Consumption Numbers

- › EIA (2012) Electric Power Annual, Fossil Fuel Consumption for Electricity Generation by Year, Industry Type and State (EIA-906, EIA-920, and EIA-923) [<http://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/state/>]
- › EIA (2013) Prime Supplier Sales Volumes [[http://www.eia.gov/dnav/pet/pet\\_cons\\_prim\\_dcu\\_nus\\_m.htm](http://www.eia.gov/dnav/pet/pet_cons_prim_dcu_nus_m.htm)]
- › EIA (2012) Adjusted Sales of Fuel Oil and Kerosene [<http://www.eia.gov/petroleum/data.cfm#consumption>]
- › EIA (2012) Annual Coal Consumption [<http://www.eia.gov/coal/data.cfm>]

## Electricity

- › EIA (2013) Form-860 Power Plants [<http://www.eia.gov/electricity/data/eia860/>]
- › Platts (2014 Q2) Transmission Lines (Miles by Voltage Level)
- › Platts (2014 Q2) Power Plants (Production and Capacity by Type)

## Petroleum

- › Argonne National Laboratory (2012) Petroleum Terminal Database
- › Argonne National Laboratory (2014) Ethanol Plants
- › EIA (2013) Petroleum Refinery Capacity Report [<http://www.eia.gov/petroleum/refinerycapacity/>]
- › NPMS (2011) Petroleum Product Pipeline (Miles of Interstate Pipeline)
- › NPMS (2011) Crude Pipeline (Miles of Interstate Pipeline)

## Natural Gas

- › EIA (2013) Form-767 Natural Gas Processing Plants [[http://www.eia.gov/cfapps/ngqs/ngqs.cfm?f\\_report=RP9](http://www.eia.gov/cfapps/ngqs/ngqs.cfm?f_report=RP9)]
- › EIA (2013) Number of Producing Gas Wells [[http://www.eia.gov/dnav/ng/ng\\_prod\\_wells\\_s1\\_a.htm](http://www.eia.gov/dnav/ng/ng_prod_wells_s1_a.htm)]
- › NPMS (2011) Natural Gas Pipeline (Miles of Interstate Pipeline)
- › Platts (2014 Q2) Local Distribution Companies (LDCs)

## Event Related

- › DOE OE (2014) Form 417 Electric Disturbance Events [[http://www.oe.netl.doe.gov/OE417\\_annual\\_summary.aspx](http://www.oe.netl.doe.gov/OE417_annual_summary.aspx)]
- › DOE OE (2014) Energy Assurance Daily (EAD) [<http://www.oe.netl.doe.gov/ead.aspx>]
- › Eaton (2014) Blackout and Power Outage Tracker [[http://powerquality.eaton.com/blackouttracker/default.asp?id=&key=&Quest\\_user\\_id=&leadg\\_Q\\_QRequired=&site=&menu=&cx=3&x=16&y=11](http://powerquality.eaton.com/blackouttracker/default.asp?id=&key=&Quest_user_id=&leadg_Q_QRequired=&site=&menu=&cx=3&x=16&y=11)]
- › DOT PHMSA (2013) Hazardous Material Incident System (HMIS) [<https://hazmatonline.phmsa.dot.gov/IncidentReportsSearch/search.aspx>]
- › NERC (2009) Disturbance Analysis Working Group [<http://www.nerc.com/pa/rmm/ea/Pages/EA-Program.aspx>]\*  
\*The NERC disturbance reports are not published after 2009.

## Notes

- › Natural Hazard, Other, includes extreme weather events such as astronomical low tide, dense smoke, frost/freeze, and rip currents.
- › Each incident type is an assembly of similar causes reported in the data source. Explanations for the indescribable incident types are below.
  - › Outside Force refers to pipeline failures due to vehicular accident, sabotage, or vandalism.
  - › Natural Forces refers to damage that occurs as a result of naturally occurring events (e.g., earth movements, flooding, high winds, etc.)
  - › Miscellaneous/Unknown includes releases or failures resulting from any other cause not listed or of an unknowable nature.
  - › Overdemand refers to outages that occur when the demand for electricity is greater than the supply, causing forced curtailment.
- › Number (#) of Incidents – The number within each pie chart piece is the number of outages attributable to each cause.

**Bcf** – Billion Cubic Feet

**GW** – Gigawatt

**kV** – Kilovolt

**Mbarrels** – Thousand Barrels

**Mbpd** – Thousand Barrels per Day

**MMcfd** – Million Cubic Feet per Day

**MSTN** – Thousand Short Tons

**TWh** – Terawatt hours

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