

Appendix A

Explanatory Notes

The Energy Information Administration (EIA) publishes monthly data for the supply and disposition of natural gas in the United States in the *Natural Gas Monthly* (NGM). The information in this Appendix is provided to assist users in understanding the monthly data. Table A1 lists the methodologies for deriving the data to be published for the most recent months shown in Tables 1 and 2. The following explanatory notes describe sources for all NGM tables.

Note 1. Production

Monthly Data

Estimates of gross withdrawals and marketed production for the Lower 48 states are derived from submission by well operators on the monthly Form EIA-914, "Monthly Crude Oil, Lease Condensate and Natural Gas Production Report." For 2014, monthly production volumes are available for only those states/areas that were collected individually on the EIA-914 survey (Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas, Wyoming, and the Federal Offshore Gulf of Mexico) and Alaska. Starting in 2015, 10 states (Arkansas, California, Colorado, Kansas, Montana, North

Table A1. Methodology for most recent monthly natural gas supply and disposition data of tables 1 and 2

| Components | Reporting Methodology |
|---|---|
| Supply and Disposition | |
| Marketed Production | Estimated from sample data reported on Form EIA-914 |
| Natural Gas Plant Liquid (NGPL) Production | Derived from data reported on Form EIA-816 |
| Dry Production | Marketed Production minus NGPL Production |
| Withdrawals from Storage | Reported on Form EIA-191 |
| Supplemental Gaseous Fuels | Derived from supply estimates and coal gasification information |
| Imports | Derived from the Office of Fossil Energy |
| Additions to Storage | Reported on Form EIA-191 |
| Exports | Derived from the Office of Fossil Energy |
| Current-Month Consumption | Reported on Form EIA-857, Form EIA-923, and other sources below |
| Consumption by Sector | |
| Lease and Plant Fuel | Derived from Marketed Production |
| Pipeline and Distribution Use | Derived from Deliveries to Consumers |
| Residential | Estimated from sample data reported on Form EIA-857 |
| Commercial | Estimated from sample data reported on Form EIA-857 |
| Industrial | Estimated from sample data reported on Form EIA-857 |
| Electric Power | Estimated from sample data reported on Form EIA-923 |
| Vehicle Fuel | EIA computations |