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Oil and gas prices are falling. The price of gas dropped 60 cents from the December 2004 average of \$6.76 per MMBTU, and the price of crude oil fell below \$42 per barrel. The decrease in gas prices is due to the mild winter weather, low demand, and a heavy surplus in working gas storage. The Energy Information Administration reported 2.85 TCF in storage, a near record storage inventory for late December. The decrease in oil prices is attributed to crude oil supply being higher than demand. *Oil Market Intelligence* reported a surplus of 2.5 million barrels per day in October 2003 and 1.5 million barrels per day in November 2003. Overproduction is expected to stop when OPEC cuts output beginning January 1, 2005.

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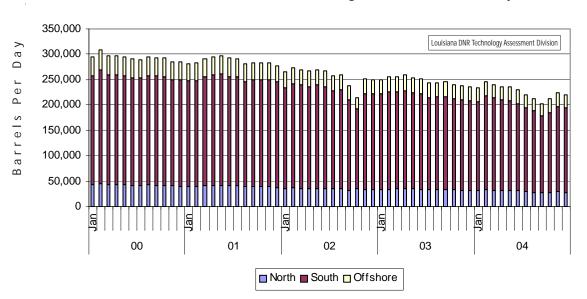
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Data Louisiana Crude Oil Condensate Production* Excluding Federal OCS (Barrels/Day)

MONTH	2001	2002	2003	2004	% Change
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January	281,870 ²	265,253 ²	249,895 ²	233,806 ²	-6.44%
February	282,267 ²	272,923 ²	255,109 ²	245,309 ²	-3.84%
March	291,697 ²	269,843 ²	256,535 ²	240,770 ²	-6.15%
April	294,650 ²	266,536 ²	258,626 ²	235,8772	-8.80%
May	296,711 ²	270,337 ²	254,324 ²	235,419 ²	-7.43%
June	292,923 ²	267,213 ²	250,934 ²	229,594 ²	-8.50%
July	291,300 ²	258,187 ²	243,885 ²	219,816	-9.87%
August	281,929 ²	259,629 ²	244,278 ²	211,774	-13.31%
September	282,649 ²	237,312 ²	244,858 ²	203,497	-16.89%
October	282,436 ²	214,063 ²	239,674 ²	211,721	-11.66%
November	283,846 ²	250,805 ²	238,626 ²	223,862 ¹	-6.19%
December	277,230 ²	249,770 ²	236,854 ²	220,116 ¹	-7.07%
Average	281,869 ²	256,823 ²	247,800 ²	225,964 ¹	-8.81%

^{*} Data revised, see July 2001 statistic changes explanation.

Louisiana Crude Oil Condensate Production Excluding Federal OCS (Barrels/Day)



Current Oil and Gas Data

Louisiana DNR Technology Assessment Division

PRODUCTION	JUL 04	JUN 04	MAY 04	JUL 03
Louisiana Federal Offshore (OCS)		•		•
Crude Oil & Condensate ^C (MMB)	43	38 ²	44 ²	45
Natural Gas & Casinghead C (BCF)	261	247 ²	262	286 ²
United States Total				
Crude Oil & Condensate ^C (MMB)	168	162	174 ²	176
Natural Gas & Casinghead (BCF)	1,573	1,524	1,577 ²	1,606 ²
Imports				
U.S. Crude Oil ^C (MMB)	319	315	320	312
U.S. Natural Gas ^c (BCF)	359	335	321	345 ²
Baker Hughes Rig Counts				
U.S. Gas ^A	1,041	1,011	1,007	924
U.S. Oil ^A	170	164	156	153
U.S. Offshore ^A	98	95	95	107
U.S. Total ^A	1,213	1,176	1,153	1,081
PRICES				
Crude Oil (\$/barrel)				
OPEC Average ^c (F.O.B.)	35.28	32.46 ²	34.50^{2}	25.63
U.S. Imports Average ^C (F.O.B.)	34.92	32.20 ²	33.81 ²	26.11
U.S. Wellhead Average ^C	36.54	34.53	36.07	27.53
Gulf OCS Wellhead Average ^C	36.43	35.75	35.02	28.45
State Severance Wellhead Average ^E	37.09	35.36	35.94	28.45 ²
Natural Gas (\$/MCF)				
U.S. City Gates Average ^C	6.68	6.92	6.48	5.82^{2}
U.S. Imports Average (F.O.B.)	5.85	6.07	5.65	5.11 ²
U.S. Wellhead Average ^C	5.60	5.85	5.63	4.91
State Royalty Wellhead Average	6.72	6.22	6.29	6.98^{2}
NYMEX Henry Hub End of the Month	6.14	6.68	5.94	5.29
Settle Gas Price ^B (\$/MMBTU)				

KEY	
1	Estimated
2	Revised
BCF	Billion Cubic Feet
BTU	British Thermal Unit
F.O.B.	Free on Board
MCF	Thousand Cubic Feet
MMB	Million Barrels
ocs	Outer Continental Shelf
N/A	Not Available

DATA SOURCES

- A Oil & Gas Journal
- B Wall Street Journal
- C U.S. Deptartment of Energy
- D Natural Gas Week
- E Louisiana Dept of Revenue & Taxation

Note: Unless otherwise specified, data is from the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources and excludes Federal OCS.

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Louisiana Crude Oil & Condensate Production Excluding Federal OCS (Barrels)

Louisiana DNR Technology Assessment Division

NODELL	COLUTIA	OFFCHORE	TOTAL
· -			TOTAL
33,430,581	121,375,615	24,802,772	179,608,968
32,730,382	127,476,082	27,036,480	187,242,944
32,104,784	126,883,275	26,013,271	185,001,330
29,551,497	124,563,098	26,796,139	180,910,734
27,548,782	121,071,330	25,184,078	173,804,190
26,746,646	115,710,745	24,539,518	166,996,908
25,229,350	105,119,808	22,747,097	153,096,255
26,022,976	99,649,083	23,042,907	148,714,966
26,702,911	95,794,803	24,183,667	146,681,381
25,702,774	93,681,430	23,421,660	142,805,864
23,736,207	90,934,698	23,222,361	137,893,266
20,963,310	83,505,726	22,660,992	127,130,028
20,571,849	82,339,060	22,318,475	125,229,384
22,063,110	85,465,942	21,430,471	128,959,522
21,497,315	84,706,090	19,951,782	126,155,187
19,570,475	85,190,830	17,520,419	122,281,725
16,459,365	80,068,828	14,331,807	110,860,000
			107,185,619 ²
			104,906,185 ²
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			90,423,140 ²
10,895,568	61,937,809	9,596,293	82,429,669 ¹
	32,104,784 29,551,497 27,548,782 26,746,646 25,229,350 26,022,976 26,702,911 25,702,774 23,736,207 20,963,310 20,571,849 22,063,110 21,497,315 19,570,475	33,430,581 121,375,615 32,730,382 127,476,082 32,104,784 126,883,275 29,551,497 124,563,098 27,548,782 121,071,330 26,746,646 115,710,745 25,229,350 105,119,808 26,022,976 99,649,083 26,702,911 95,794,803 25,702,774 93,681,430 23,736,207 90,934,698 20,963,310 83,505,726 20,571,849 82,339,060 22,063,110 85,465,942 21,497,315 84,706,090 19,570,475 85,190,830 16,459,365 80,068,828 15,411,033² 78,303,428² 14,557,876² 77,687,065² 12,693,145² 70,447,360² 12,231,313² 67,624,799²	33,430,581 121,375,615 24,802,772 32,730,382 127,476,082 27,036,480 32,104,784 126,883,275 26,013,271 29,551,497 124,563,098 26,796,139 27,548,782 121,071,330 25,184,078 26,746,646 115,710,745 24,539,518 25,229,350 105,119,808 22,747,097 26,022,976 99,649,083 23,042,907 26,702,911 95,794,803 24,183,667 25,702,774 93,681,430 23,421,660 23,736,207 90,934,698 23,222,361 20,963,310 83,505,726 22,660,992 20,571,849 82,339,060 22,318,475 22,063,110 85,465,942 21,430,471 21,497,315 84,706,090 19,951,782 19,570,475 85,190,830 17,520,419 16,459,365 80,068,828 14,331,807 15,411,033² 78,303,428² 13,471,159² 14,557,876² 77,687,065² 12,661,245² 12,693,145² 70,447,360² 10,556,856² 12,231,313² 67,624,799² 10,56

Louisiana Natural Gas & Casinghead Gas Production Excluding Federal OCS (MCF)

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YEAR 1983 1984 1985 1986 1987 1988 1989 1990 1991	NORTH 360,201,817 382,283,082 351,003,364 363,619,690 356,659,720 374,598,311 379,189,370 390,417,542 381,973,751 372,216,566	SOUTH 1,304,543,649 1,373,121,810 1,249,582,962 1,216,530,342 1,152,410,971 1,169,467,984 1,130,650,385 1,137,642,094 1,116,875,275	OFFSHORE 317,171,588 313,998,055 250,063,949 246,104,333 228,123,864 214,253,392 203,309,753 182,032,816 149,894,021	TOTAL 1,981,917,054 2,069,402,947 1,850,650,275 1,826,254,364 1,737,194,555 1,758,319,686 1,713,149,508 1,710,092,452 1,648,743,048
1993	353,811,255	1,104,823,534	153,838,456	1,612,473,245
1994	354,055,756	1,027,648,900	155,207,250	1,536,911,906
1995	363,431,067	1,008,307,077	164,448,886	1,536,187,030
1996	417,151,690	1,027,433,122	185,614,368	1,630,199,180
1997	442,021,019	975,799,433	185,843,498	1,603,663,950
1998	437,378,918	960,351,429	179,648,787	1,577,379,135
1999	394,191,456	910,642,297	149,598,802	1,454,432,555
2000	388,115,582 ²	927,453,510 ²	149,515,464 ²	1,465,084,556 ²
2001	390,594,287 ²	954,153,818 ²	150,888,498 ²	1,495,636,603 ²
2002	352,427,410 ²	874,922,779 ²	134,523,815 ²	1,361,874,003 ²
2003	343,155,119 ²	872,147,744 ²	130,299,242 ²	1,345,602,105 ²
2004	321,566,652 ¹	872,441,628 ¹	123,647,323 ¹	1,317,655,603 ¹



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SPOT MARKET PRICES	DEC 04	NOV 04	DEC 03
Louisiana Natural Gas ^D (\$/MMBTU)	6.76	6.33 ²	4.44
NYMEX Henry Hub Last Settle Gas Price ^B (\$/MMBT	(U) 7.98	7.63	4.46 ²
Louisiana Sweet Crude - St. James ^B (\$/Barrel)	42.97	48.14	32.59
BAKER HUGHES RIG COUNTS	NOV 04	OCT 04	NOV 03
North Louisiana ^A	45	46	34
South Louisiana Inland Waters ^A	22	18	12
South Louisiana Inland ^A	30	33	31
Louisiana State Offshore	4	3	2
Louisiana Federal OCS Offshore	72	70	81
Total Louisiana ^A (OCS included)	173	170	160
PRODUCTION (State Jurisdiction Only)	NOV 04	OCT 04	NOV 03
Louisiana Crude Oil & Condensate (MMB)	6.7	6.5 ²	7.4 ²
Louisiana Natural Gas & Casinghead (BCF)	108.3	110.7 ²	108.6 ²
DRILLING PERMITS (State Jurisdiction Only)	NOV 04	OCT 04	NOV 03
Total Louisiana Oil and Gas	126	154	89
Louisiana Wildcats	5	20	9
Louisiana Offshore (Wildcats included)	5	5	5

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