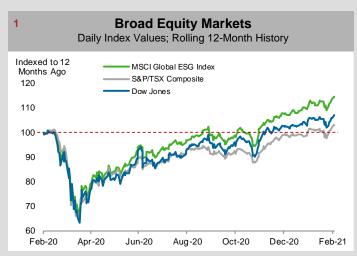


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#### **Chart Watch**

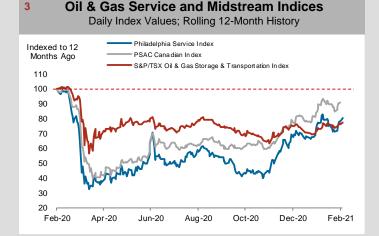
- 5 New COVID-19 cases in the US continue to fall
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Spot WTI Crude	Edmonton Light	Spot Henry Hub	Spot AECO	Spot AECO Basis	Currency
\$US/B	\$US/B	\$US/MMBtu	\$Cdn/GJ	\$US/MMBtu	\$US/\$Cdn
57.97 ↑	54.37 ↑	3.40 ↑	3.68 个	0.35 ↓	0.7849 ↑



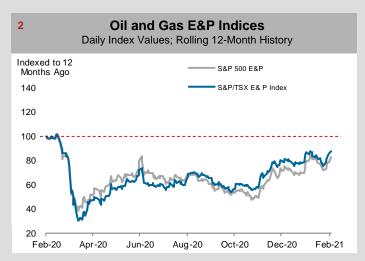
Broad market indices are one the many vital signs measuring the health of the economy. Energy demand is a function of economic health.

Source: Bloomberg, ARC Financial Corp.



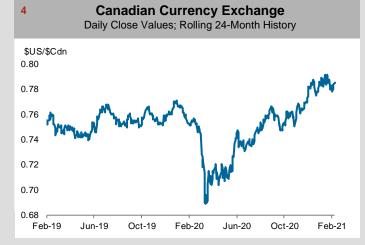
The performance of Canadian oil and gas service and midstream equities are plotted in tandem with the corresponding US Oilfield index.

Source: Bloomberg, Petroleum Services Association of Canada



Performance of Canadian and US oil & gas equities are compared against each other.

Source: Bloomberg, ARC Financial Corp.



Much of Canada's oil and gas production is sold in US dollars. As such, the exchange rate significantly impacts corporate revenues and profits.

Source: Bloomberg

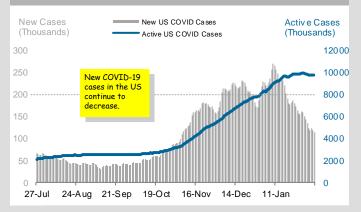
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**Pandemic Recovery** 

## **United States: New and Active COVID-19 Cases**

Daily (5-Day Rolling Average); Last 6 Months

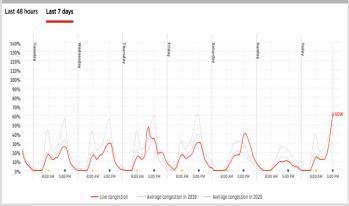


Daily infection rates and active cases of COVID-19 will determine reopening and recovery of the world's largest economy.

Source: Worldometer

## TomTom Traffic Index: Chicago, U.S.

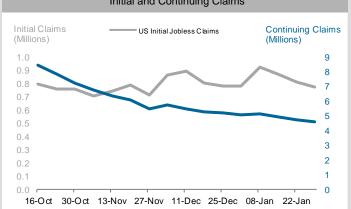
Congestion Level Relative to 2019 and 2020



Traffic congestion levels show a real-time picture of the number of vehicles on the road; an indication of gasoline demand and economic recovery.

Source: TomTom International BV

#### **U.S. Weekly Jobless Claims** Initial and Continuing Claims

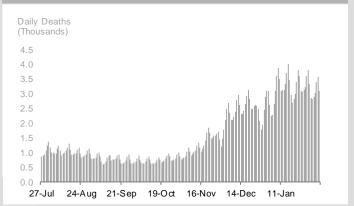


Jobless claims are an important leading indicator on the state of the employment situation and the health of the economy.

Source: US Labor Department

#### 6 **United States: Daily New Deaths**

Deaths per Day (5-Day Rolling Average): Last 6 Months

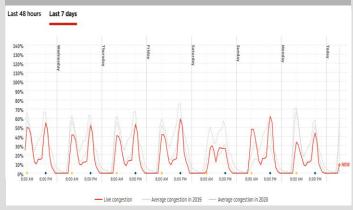


The growth rate of daily deaths is a useful statistic for tracking the progress of COVID-19 and predicting healthcare needs.

Source: Worldometer

## TomTom Traffic Index: Beijing, China

Congestion Level Relative to 2019 and 2020

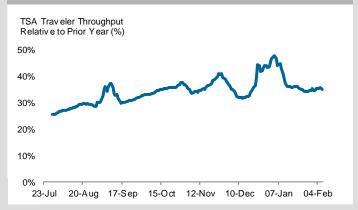


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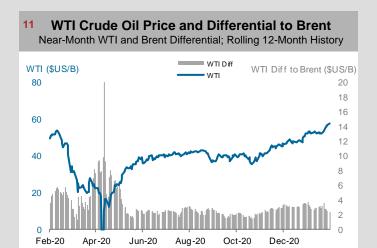
Number of Travelers as % of Prior Year; 7-Day Rolling Average



Monitoring the daily number of passengers screened at TSA checkpoints in the United States is a leading indicator of recovery in air travel.

Source: Transportation Security Administration



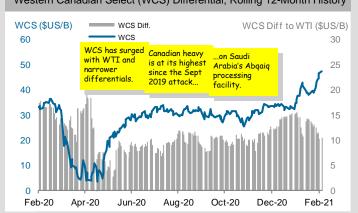


North American crude oil prices can sometimes disconnect from global prices depending on regional supply and demand dynamics.

Source: Bloomberg

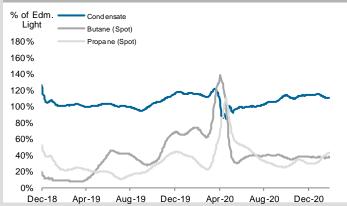
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# 13 Canadian Heavy Oil Price Differential to WTI Western Canadian Select (WCS) Differential; Rolling 12-Month History

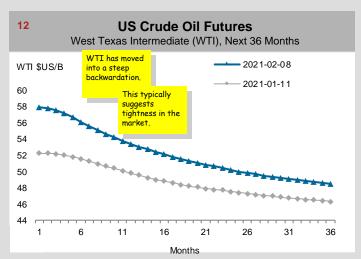


The differential should reflect quality differences and transportation costs. Greater discounts can result from infrastructure or refinery outages.

# 15 Daily NGL Prices as a % of Edmonton Light NGL Prices at Edmonton, AB, 10 Day Rolling Average Shown



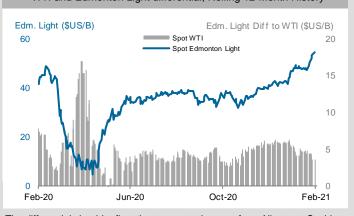
Natural gas liquids have become critical contributors to producer's cash flow. Prices are influenced by the price of oil as well as local supply and demand. Source: Bloomberg, ARC Financial Corp.



Forward prices for WTI are plotted for the next 36 contracts, and compared against the same contracts one month prior.

Source: Bloomberg

#### 14 Canadian Light Crude Oil Price Differential to WTI WTI and Edmonton Light differential; Rolling 12-Month History



The differential should reflect the transportation cost from Alberta to Cushing. Greater discounts can result from infrastructure or refinery outages.

Source: Bloomberg

# Long and Short Contracts - WTI Managed Money - Futures

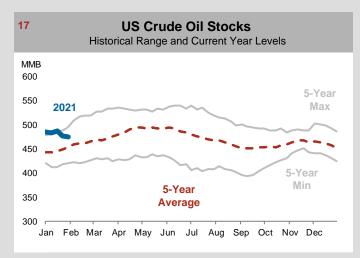


Long contracts take the position that WTI oil price will increase, while short contracts expect a decline.

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**Crude Oil** 



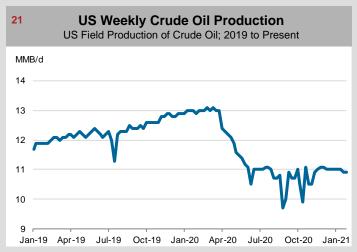
US crude oil stock levels can affect crude oil prices. Stock levels for the current year are represented by the blue line.

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

#### 19 **US Weekly Refinery Utilization Rates (%)** Historical Range and Current Year Levels 100 5-Year 5-Year Max Average 95 90 85 80 75 Min 70 65 Jan Feb Mar Apr May Jun Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec

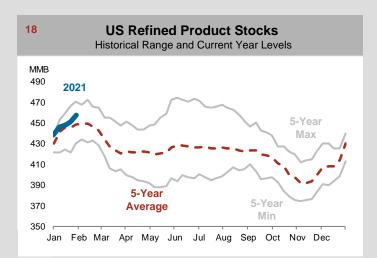
Refinery utilization rates change the supply of refined products, impacting price. Utilization for the current year is blue.

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration



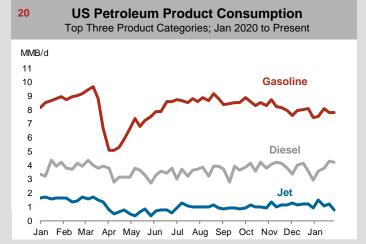
Weekly production is modelled by the EIA. It is less accurate then monthly reported numbers, but is instructive of up to date changes.

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration



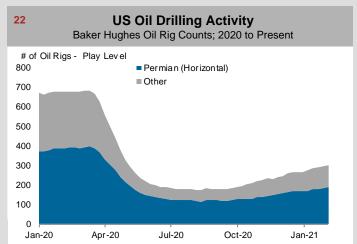
Total stocks of gasoline, diesel and jet fuel are shown. Stock levels for the current year are represented by the blue line.

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration



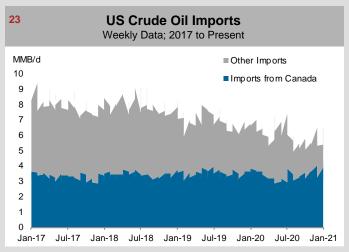
Gasoline, diesel and jet fuel consumption represent the majority of oil use in the US.

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration



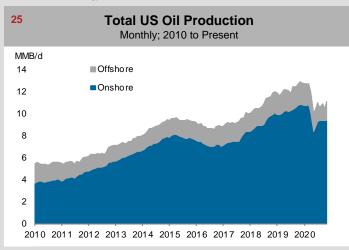
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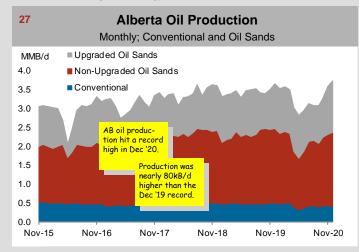
Crude oil imports from Canada are taking market share from overseas imports.

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration



The advancement of drilling and completion methods is increasing US crude oil production.

Source: Bloomberg, U.S. Energy Information Administration



Most of Canada's oil production comes from Alberta; split between oil sands and conventional production.

Source: Alberta Energy Regulator

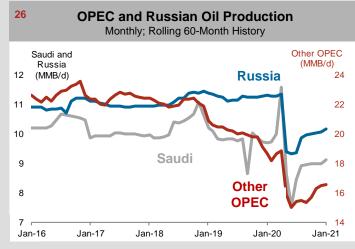
# 24 US Exports of Crude Oil and Refined Products Weekly Data; 2017 to Present MMB/d 10 Refined Products 9 8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1

The US exports more refined products than crude oil. With the rapid growth of tight oil, most export growth should come from crude oil exports.

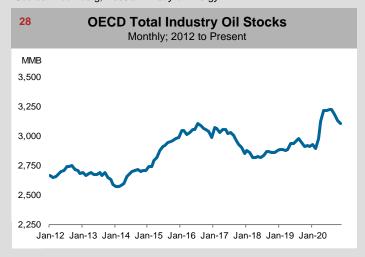
Oct-18 May-19 Dec-19

Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration

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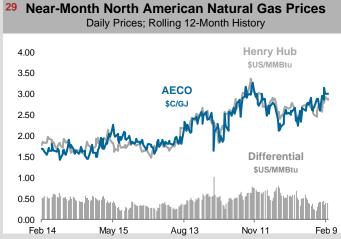
OPEC's production levels relative to its sustainable and spare capacity influences global crude prices. Note: scale has been expanded. Source: Bloomberg, Russia Ministry of Energy



OECD stock levels can affect crude oil prices. Source: International Energy Agency

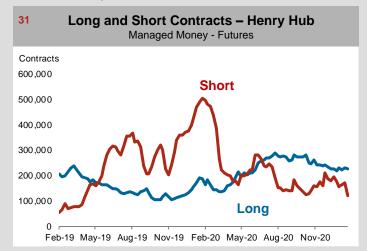


**Natural Gas** 



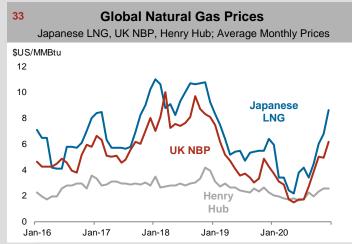
Near-month prices at AECO track Henry Hub prices, the exchange rate and the cost of transportation. Local factors can also affect price.

Source: Bloomberg



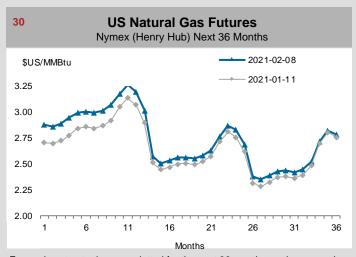
Long contracts take the position that Henry Hub gas price will increase, while short contracts expect a decline.

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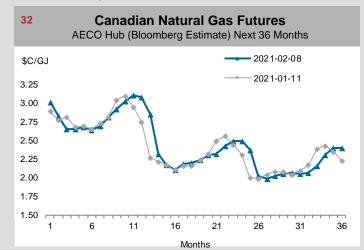
International natural gas prices strongly impact the economics of proposed LNG projects.

Source: Bloomberg, Japanese Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry



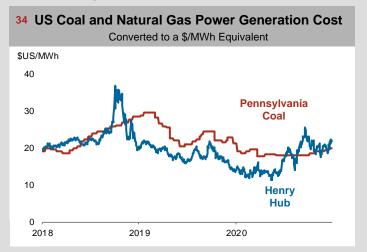
Forward contract prices are plotted for the next 36 months, and compared against the curve one month prior.

Source: Bloomberg



AECO forward prices mimic Henry Hub futures minus a differential.

Source: Bloomberg

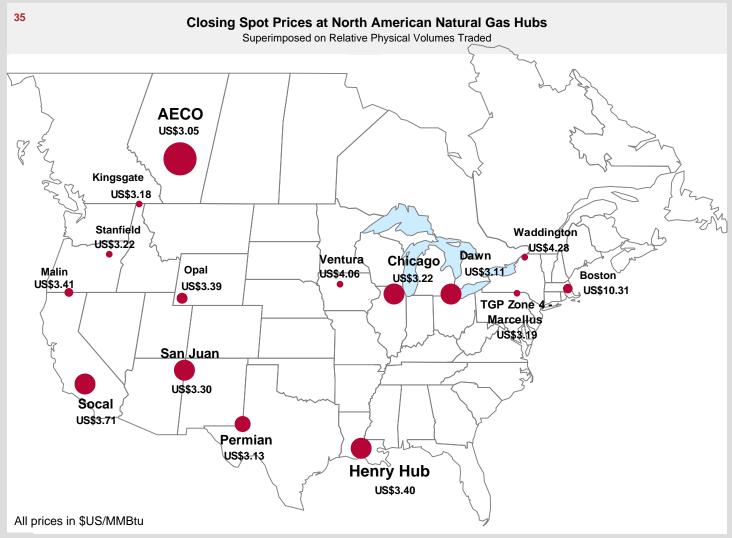


This graph illustrates when it may be economic to begin coal-gas switching in power generation. Average power plant efficiencies are assumed.

Source: Bloomberg



**Natural Gas** 



North America has an integrated natural gas market. Prices are determined by regional supply and demand, and pipeline flows.

#### Source: Bloomberg

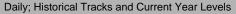
#### 36 Pipeline Flows Out of Western Canada Daily; Historical Tracks and Current Year Levels

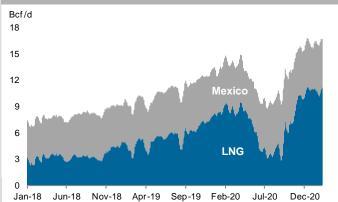


The ability of gas producers to move gas out of the WCSB to eastern markets and the US is a major factor in local natural gas prices.

Source: Various Pipeline Companies

## US Natural Gas Exports – Excluding Canada





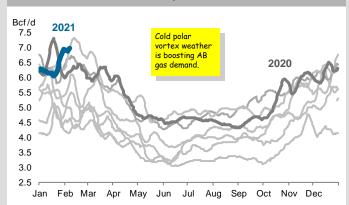
Between exports to Mexico and LNG shipments, the US is growing as a natural gas exporter. Robust US supply growth has driven this trend. Source: S&P Global Platts



**Natural Gas** 

#### 38 Alberta Natural Gas Demand

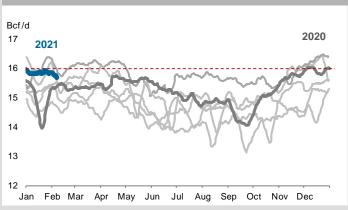
TransCanada Intra-AB Deliveries; Current Year and Historical Tracks



Alberta natural gas demand has grown steadily in recent years, largely driven by new oil sands demand and power generation projects.

Source: TransCanada Pipelines

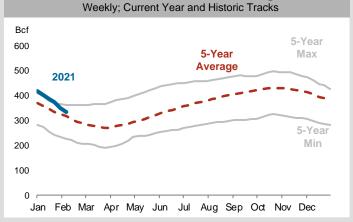
# 40 Daily Western Canadian Production Estimated Using Major Pipeline Receipts



This includes receipts on the TCPL, Alliance, WestCoast and TransGas pipelines.

Source: Various Pipeline Companies

## Western Canadian Natural Gas Storage Levels

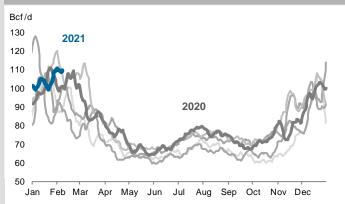


Canada's natural gas storage level provides a good metric if the country is well stocked. Abnormally high or low storage can affect the basis.

Source: Bloomberg

#### 39 US Domestic Natural Gas Demand

Daily; Historical Tracks and Current Year Levels

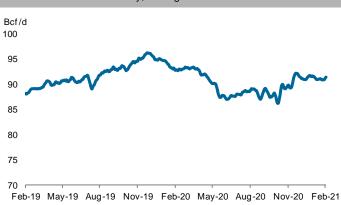


Domestic US demand fluctuates in the summer and during the winter as weather is an important driver of consumption.

Source: S&P Global Platts

## 11 Total US Dry Natural Gas Production

Daily; Rolling 24 Months



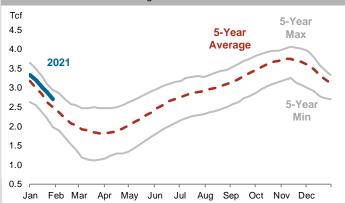
US production started ramping up in late 2007 and continues to grow year over year.

Source: S&P Global Platts

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## Total Working Natural Gas in US Storage

Historical Range and Current Year Levels



The EIA reports changes in US natural gas inventories held in underground storage facilities on a weekly basis.

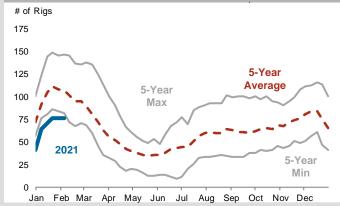
Source: U.S. Energy Information Administration



**Natural Gas and Other Indicators** 

## 44 Canada: Weekly Gas Drilling Activity

Baker Hughes Drilling Rig Count; Current Year and Historical Range



Unlike US drilling activity, Canadian rigs are dispatched seasonally. Capital allocation by operators is driven by views of future oil and gas prices.

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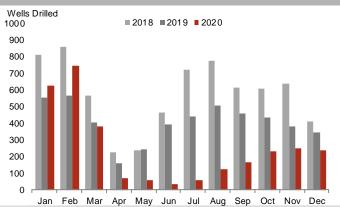


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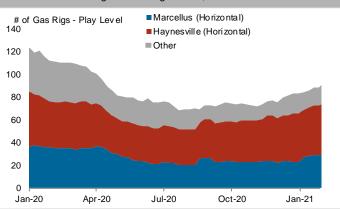


Total rig-releases for exploratory and development wells are highlighted in this chart. Rig releases for the current year are shown in red.

Source: Daily Oil Bulletin/JWN

## United States: Weekly Gas Drilling Activity

Baker Hughes Gas Rig Counts; 2020 to Present

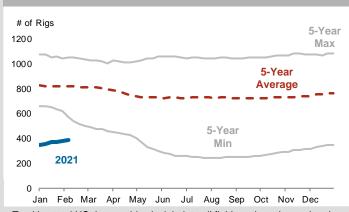


Tracking US gas drilling by major play provides insight into the composition of US gas supply and growth trends.

Source: Baker Hughes

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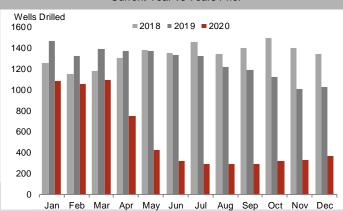


Tracking total US rigs provides insight into oil field services demand and total industry activity.

Source: Baker Hughes

## 49 United States: Monthly Wells Drilled

Current Year vs Years Prior



Total wells drilled in US Drilling Productivity Report regions are shown. These are the most active onshore US plays.

Source: EIA



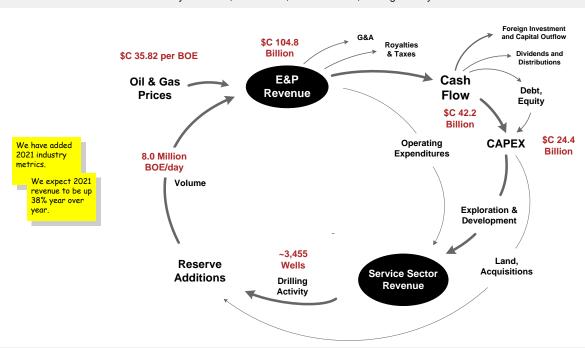
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**Canadian Industry Metrics** 

#### Estimated Capital Flow in the Canadian Oil and Gas Economy for 2021

Industry Revenue, Cash Flow, Reinvestment, Drilling Activity and Production



Canadian Industry Statistics: Historical Data and Forecast

	Canadian Industry Metrics															
	Price		Production Volume		Capital Inflow		Reinvestment			Drilling		Well Split				
	Average Price	Edmonton Par	AECO	Conv. Liquids	Bitumen + Synthetic	Natural Gas	Total Volume	Total Revenue	After-tax Cash Flow	Conv. Oil and Gas	Oilsands	Reinvest Ratio	Wells Compl.	Avg Rig Utiliz.	Oil Wells	Gas Wells
	\$/BOE	\$C/B	\$C/GJ	Average MBOE/d	Average MBOE/d	MBOE/d (@ 6:1)	MBOE/d (@ 6:1)	\$C millions	\$C millions	\$C millions	\$C millions	x:1	#/ Year	%	%	%
2011	55.32	95.24	3.44	1,873	1,482	2,386	5,740	115,890	53,448	40,139	22,491	1.10	12,827	52%	69%	31%
2012	50.60	86.38	2.27	1,905	1,743	2,327	5,975	111,389	48,908	39,733	27,199	1.37	11,067	44%	83%	17%
2013	55.95	93.47	3.02	2,023	1,940	2,343	6,306	128,787	54,711	43,165	30,809	1.35	11,071	42%	84%	16%
2014	60.69	95.07	4.23	2,085	1,964	2,480	6,530	144,660	66,977	46,872	33,868	1.21	11,222	45%	78%	22%
2015	37.34	57.63	2.56	1,995	2,381	2,531	6,907	94,127	29,985	31,609	22,929	1.82	5,382	24%	69%	31%
2016	32.61	53.09	2.06	2,013	2,421	2,564	6,998	83,298	23,701	23,040	15,426	1.62	4,060	17%	73%	27%
2017	39.18	62.42	2.10	2,119	2,674	2,605	7,398	105,788	45,031	28,712	13,803	0.94	7,076	30%	73%	27%
2018	39.57	69.24	1.46	2,292	2,913	2,737	7,942	114,705	48,322	27,374	11,661	0.81	6,927	32%	79%	21%
2019	42.34	69.02	1.70	2,409	2,950	2,673	8,032	124,115	55,248	25,847	9,306	0.64	4,886	26%	81%	19%
2020e	28.36	46.10	2.12	1,906	2,805	2,620	7,330	75,890	23,286	15,346	6,514	0.94	2,970	18%	72%	28%
2021e	35.82	57.61	2.51	2,130	3,185	2,699	8,013	104,762	42,167	16,702	7,660	0.58	3,456	24%	70%	30%

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