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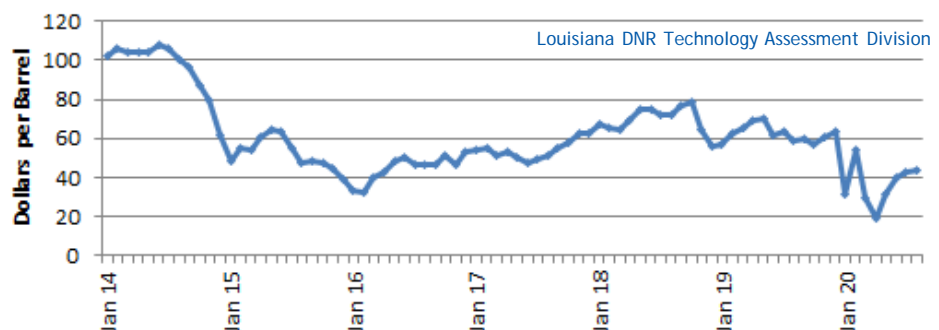
## Highlights SEPTEMBER 2020

Louisiana's natural gas spot price averaged \$2.27 per MMBTU in August. The September 2020 NYMEX Natural Gas at Henry Hub settlement price was \$2.589 per MMBTU, 72.5 cents higher than the August 2020 gas settlement price and 14.6% higher than the September 2019 gas settlement price. Price increase reflect warmer-than-normal temperatures nationally in August, which led to increased demand from the electric power sector. The U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA) reported the working gas in storage was 3.420 billion cubic foot (BCF) as of Friday August 21, 2020, which represents an increase of 20.4% from last year's inventory for the same period and 14.7% higher than the five-year average inventory.

### South Louisiana Sweet Crude Oil Average Spot Price at St. James

Month	(Dollars per Barrel)						% Change	
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	18/19	19/20
January	48.81	32.82	54.04	67.23	56.85	31.38		-44.81%
February	55.28	32.48	55.23	65.07	62.23	53.96		-13.29%
March	54.38	40.11	51.13	64.66	65.56	29.55		-54.93%
April	60.67	42.73	53.13	68.79	69.60	19.27		-72.31%
May	64.96	48.70	50.55	74.80	69.99	31.44		-55.08%
June	63.23	50.59	47.21	74.45	61.65	39.48		-35.96%
July	54.69	46.41	48.99	72.37	63.14	42.35		-32.92%
August	47.07	46.33	51.03	72.20	59.24	44.01		-25.71%
September	48.64	46.84	54.81	77.19	60.23		-21.97%	
October	47.38	51.36	57.74	78.80	57.22		-27.39%	
November	44.36	46.72	62.61	64.76	61.00		-5.81%	
December	38.88	53.53	62.75	56.01	63.12		12.69%	
<b>Year Average</b>	<b>52.36</b>	<b>44.89</b>	<b>54.10</b>	<b>69.69</b>	<b>62.49</b>	<b>36.43</b> *		

\* Partial Year



## Current Oil & Gas Data

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<b>PRODUCTION</b>	<b>MAR 20</b>	<b>FEB 20</b>	<b>JAN 20</b>	<b>MAR 19</b>
GOM CENTRAL FEDERAL OFFSHORE <sup>F</sup> (OCS)				
Crude Oil & Condensate (MMB)	57	46	58	57
Natural Gas & Casinghead (BCF)	81	72	81	86
THE UNITED STATES TOTAL				
Crude Oil & Condensate <sup>C</sup> (MMB)	395	369	396	369
Natural Gas & Casinghead <sup>C</sup> (BCF)	3,154	2,950	3,173	3,004
<b>IMPORTS</b>				
U.S. Crude Oil <sup>C</sup> (MMB)	195	189	199	209
U.S. Natural Gas <sup>C</sup> (BCF)	217	238	262	253
<b>BAKER HUGHES RIG COUNTS</b>				
U.S. Gas <sup>A</sup>	106	110	118	193
U.S. Oil <sup>A</sup>	665	680	674	830
U.S. Offshore <sup>A</sup>	20	23	23	22
U.S. Total <sup>A</sup>	771	790	792	1,023
<b>PRICES</b>				
CRUDE OIL (\$/barrel)				
OPEC Average <sup>C</sup> (F.O.B.)	28.04	53.00	53.02	65.95
U.S. Imports Average <sup>C</sup> (F.O.B.)	24.09	46.98	46.98	57.54
U.S. Wellhead Average <sup>C</sup>	31.80	50.03	56.86	57.47
Gulf OCS Wellhead Average <sup>C</sup>	38.06	53.70	57.52	61.22
State Severance Wellhead Average <sup>E</sup>	31.15	54.90	63.57	61.25
NATURAL GAS (\$/MCF)				
U.S. City Gates Average <sup>C</sup>	3.23	3.09	3.27	4.01
U.S. Imports Average <sup>C</sup> (F.O.B.)	1.71	2.16	2.92	3.79
U.S. Spot Market Average <sup>D</sup>	1.59	1.94	2.08	3.29
State Royalty Wellhead Average	1.59	1.70	1.88	2.75
NYMEX Henry Hub End of the Month Settle Gas Price <sup>B</sup> (\$/MMBTU)	1.82	1.89	1.88	2.86

### Key

<b>1</b>	Estimated	<b>MCF</b>	Thousand Cubic Feet
<b>2</b>	Revised	<b>MMB</b>	Million Barrels
<b>BCF</b>	Billion Cubic Feet	<b>NA</b>	Not Available
<b>BTU</b>	British Thermal Unit	<b>OCS</b>	Outer Continental Shelf
<b>FO.B.</b>	Free on Board	<b>MMBTU</b>	Million British Thermal Units

### Data Sources

<b>A</b>	Oil & Gas Journal	<b>D</b>	Natural Gas Week
<b>B</b>	Wall Street Journal	<b>E</b>	LA Dept of Revenue
<b>C</b>	U. S. Dept. of Energy	<b>F</b>	BOEM

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

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## Louisiana Estimated Crude Oil Proved Reserves<sup>C</sup>, Excluding Lease Condensate

As of December 31st of Each Year  
(Million Barrels)

YEAR	NORTH	SOUTH ONSHORE	SOUTH OFFSHORE	FEDERAL OCS	TOTAL LOUISIANA	TOTAL US
2001	87	341	136	3,877	4,441	22,446
2002	75	335	91	4,088	4,589	22,677
2003	66	314	72	4,251	4,703	21,891
2004	58	304	65	3,919	4,346	21,371
2005	68	299	65	3,852	4,284	21,757
2006	68	312	48	3,500	3,928	20,972
2007	76	326	56	3,320	3,778	21,317
2008	60	277	51	3,388	3,776	19,121
2009	55	269	46	3,570	3,940	20,682
2010	104	274	46	3,914	4,338	23,267
2011	103	264	50	4,626	4,855	26,544
2012	100	300	63	4,807	4,967	30,529
2013	120	328	55	4,811	5,006	33,371
2014	118	349	67	4,531	4,778	36,385
2015	89	276	59	4,082	4,249	32,318
2016	71	283	54	3,983	4,391	32,773
2017	85	275	58	4,464	4,882	39,160
2018	84	260	68	4,765	5,177	43,824

## Louisiana Estimated Lease Condensate Proved Reserves<sup>C</sup>

As of December 31st of Each Year  
(Million Barrels)

YEAR	NORTH	SOUTH ONSHORE	SOUTH OFFSHORE	FEDERAL OCS	TOTAL LOUISIANA	TOTAL US
2001	27	141	19	325	512	1,398
2002	19	107	11	300	437	1,346
2003	19	82	11	251	363	1,215
2004	21	66	9	205	301	1,221
2005	23	72	9	228	332	1,218
2006	29	65	10	185	289	1,339
2007	31	69	11	180	291	1,415
2008	27	64	8	151	250	1,433
2009	26	74	10	134	244	1,633
2010	27	68	11	129	235	1,914
2011	33	64	11	129	237	2,406
2012	38	70	13	98	219	2,874
2013	39	68	12	88	207	3,149
2014	48	56	11	108	223	3,548
2015	46	59	5	122	232	2,912
2016	32	50	4	149	241	2,440
2017	45	48	5	155	253	2,830
2018	29	39	4	149	5,398	3,229



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**SPOT MARKET PRICES**

	<b>Aug 20</b>	<b>Jul 20</b>	<b>Aug 19</b>
Louisiana Natural Gas <sup>D</sup> (\$/MMBTU)	2.58	1.85	1.96
NYMEX Henry Hub Last Settle Gas Price <sup>B</sup> (\$/MMBTU)	2.27	1.71	2.18
Louisiana Sweet Crude - St. James <sup>B</sup> (\$/Barrel)	44.00	42.35	58.44

**BAKER HUGHES RIG COUNTS**

	<b>Jul 20</b>	<b>Jun 20</b>	<b>Jul 19</b>
North Louisiana <sup>A</sup>	20	21	35
South Louisiana Inland Waters <sup>A</sup>	0	0	2
South Louisiana Inland <sup>A</sup>	0	0	8
Louisiana State Offshore	0	0	1
Louisiana Federal OCS Offshore	10	12	23
Total Louisiana <sup>A</sup> (OCS included)	30	33	66

**PRODUCTION (State Jurisdiction Only)**

	<b>Jul 20</b>	<b>Jun 20</b>	<b>Jul 19</b>
Louisiana Crude Oil & Condensate (MMB)	3.7 <sup>1</sup>	3.5 <sup>1</sup>	4.4 <sup>2</sup>
Louisiana Natural Gas & Casinghead (BCF)	248.6 <sup>1</sup>	245.9 <sup>1</sup>	238.6 <sup>2</sup>

**DRILLING PERMITS (State Jurisdiction Only)**

	<b>Jul 20</b>	<b>Jun 20</b>	<b>Jul 19</b>
Total Louisiana Oil and Gas	19	32	60
Louisiana Wildcats	0	0	0
Louisiana Offshore (Wildcats included)	0	0	0