

**Table 3. Natural Gas Consumption in the United States, 1992-1998**  
(Billion Cubic Feet)

Year and Month	Lease and Plant Fuel <sup>a</sup>	Pipeline Fuel <sup>b</sup>	Delivered to Consumers					Total Consumption
			Residential	Commercial	Industrial	Electric Utilities	Total	
<b>1992 Total</b> .....	1,171	588	4,690	<sup>c</sup> 2,803	7,527	2,766	17,786	19,544
<b>1993 Total</b> .....	1,172	624	4,956	<sup>c</sup> 2,863	7,981	2,682	18,483	20,279
<b>1994 Total</b> .....	1,124	685	4,848	<sup>c</sup> 2,897	8,167	2,987	18,899	20,708
<b>1995 Total</b> .....	1,220	700	4,850	<sup>c</sup> 3,034	8,580	3,197	19,660	21,581
<b>1996</b>								
January .....	106	85	934	480	800	168	2,382	2,574
February .....	101	77	831	443	747	137	2,158	2,335
March .....	106	72	705	387	781	156	2,030	2,209
April .....	104	59	474	284	736	170	1,663	1,826
May .....	106	50	271	183	701	264	1,420	1,576
June .....	102	46	162	133	710	299	1,305	1,454
July .....	105	46	124	126	677	358	1,285	1,436
August .....	105	47	118	123	704	367	1,312	1,465
September .....	102	45	138	124	706	285	1,253	1,399
October .....	104	49	243	171	737	226	1,378	1,531
November .....	103	62	503	295	764	170	1,732	1,896
December .....	105	74	738	409	807	132	2,086	2,266
<b>Total</b> .....	1,250	711	5,241	<sup>c</sup> 3,161	8,870	2,732	20,006	21,967
<b>1997</b>								
January .....	<sup>E</sup> 107	82	907	<sup>R</sup> 477	806	139	<sup>R</sup> 2,330	<sup>R</sup> 2,518
February .....	<sup>E</sup> 97	73	767	428	<sup>R</sup> 748	143	<sup>R</sup> 2,086	<sup>R</sup> 2,256
March .....	<sup>E</sup> 107	68	606	<sup>R</sup> 366	<sup>R</sup> 768	190	<sup>R</sup> 1,930	<sup>R</sup> 2,105
April .....	<sup>E</sup> 102	58	435	273	<sup>R</sup> 733	193	<sup>R</sup> 1,634	<sup>R</sup> 1,794
May .....	<sup>E</sup> 106	52	286	212	<sup>R</sup> 713	231	1,443	1,601
June .....	<sup>E</sup> 101	47	161	159	681	296	1,296	1,444
July .....	<sup>E</sup> 105	51	131	151	<sup>R</sup> 696	428	<sup>R</sup> 1,406	<sup>R</sup> 1,561
August .....	<sup>E</sup> 104	49	119	147	716	391	1,374	1,528
September .....	<sup>RE</sup> 102	47	132	147	688	333	1,300	1,448
October .....	<sup>RE</sup> 105	50	236	<sup>R</sup> 195	706	246	<sup>R</sup> 1,383	<sup>R</sup> 1,537
November .....	<sup>RE</sup> 104	61	499	317	724	180	1,720	<sup>R</sup> 1,885
December .....	<sup>E</sup> 107	75	<sup>R</sup> 732	413	790	199	<sup>R</sup> 2,133	<sup>R</sup> 2,315
<b>Total</b> .....	<sup>RE</sup> 1,246	712	<sup>R</sup> 5,010	<sup>R</sup> 3,284	<sup>R</sup> 8,769	2,969	<sup>R</sup> 20,033	<sup>R</sup> 21,991
<b>1998</b>								
January .....	<sup>RE</sup> 107	77	799	<sup>R</sup> 445	<sup>R</sup> 776	171	<sup>R</sup> 2,191	<sup>R</sup> 2,375
February .....	<sup>E</sup> 98	67	<sup>R</sup> 676	<sup>R</sup> 402	<sup>R</sup> 697	134	1,908	<sup>R</sup> 2,073
March .....	<sup>E</sup> 108	68	631	368	730	194	1,923	2,099
<b>April(STIFS)</b> .....	<sup>E</sup> 101	<sup>E</sup> 57	<sup>E</sup> 436	<sup>E</sup> 285	<sup>R</sup> 705	NA	<sup>R</sup> 1,619	<sup>R</sup> 1,777
<b>May(STIFS)</b> .....	<sup>E</sup> 104	<sup>E</sup> 50	<sup>E</sup> 252	<sup>E</sup> 194	<sup>RE</sup> 680	NA	<sup>RE</sup> 1,422	<sup>RE</sup> 1,576
<b>June(STIFS)</b> .....	<sup>E</sup> 100	<sup>E</sup> 46	<sup>E</sup> 152	<sup>E</sup> 152	<sup>E</sup> 662	NA	<sup>E</sup> 1,295	<sup>E</sup> 1,441
<b>1998 YTD<sup>d</sup></b> .....	<sup>E</sup> 618	<sup>E</sup> 365	<sup>E</sup> 2,946	<sup>E</sup> 1,847	<sup>E</sup> 4,250	499	<sup>E</sup> 10,358	<sup>E</sup> 11,341
<b>1997 YTD</b> .....	<sup>E</sup> 620	379	3,161	1,915	4,449	472	10,718	11,717
<b>1996 YTD</b> .....	626	390	3,377	1,910	4,475	461	10,957	11,973

<sup>a</sup> Plant fuel data are only collected on an annual basis and monthly lease fuel data are only collected annually. Lease and plant fuel estimates have been between 6 and 7 percent of marketed production annually. Monthly lease and plant fuel use is estimated from monthly marketed production by assuming that the preceding annual percentage remains constant for the next twelve months.

<sup>b</sup> Pipeline fuel use is only collected on an annual basis. Annually it is between 3 and 4 percent of total consumption. Monthly pipeline fuel data are estimated from monthly total consumption (excluding pipeline fuel) by assuming that the preceding annual percentage remains constant for the next twelve months.

<sup>c</sup> Vehicle fuel deliveries, in billion cubic feet, were 0.4 in 1991, 0.5 in 1992, 1.0 in 1993, 1.7 in 1994, 2.7 in 1995 and 2.9 in 1996.

<sup>d</sup> Year-to-date volume represents months for which volume information is available in the current year.

<sup>R</sup> = Revised Data.

<sup>E</sup> = Estimated Data.

<sup>RE</sup> = Revised Estimated Data.

NA = Not Available.

Notes: Data for 1992 through 1996 are final. All other data are preliminary unless otherwise indicated. Estimates for the most recent three months are derived from the Short-Term Integrated Forecasting System (STIFS). Geographic coverage is the 50 States and the District of Columbia. Totals may not equal sum of components because of independent rounding. In 1996, consumption of natural gas for agricultural use is classified as industrial use. In 1995 and earlier years, agricultural use was classified as commercial use. See Explanatory Note 5 for further explanation.

Sources: 1992-1996: Energy Information Administration (EIA): Form EIA-627, "Annual Quantity and Value of Natural Gas Report," (thru 1994), Form EIA-895 "Monthly Quantity of Natural Gas Report," (1995 forward), Form EIA-857, "Monthly Report of Natural Gas Purchases and Deliveries to Consumers," Form EIA-759, "Monthly Power Plant Report," EIA computations, and *Natural Gas Annual 1996*. January 1997 through the current month: EIA: Form 895, "Monthly Quantity of Natural Gas Report," Form EIA-857, Form EIA-759, and STIFS computations. See Appendix A, Explanatory Note 5, for computation procedures and revision policy.