

Table 2. Supply and Disposition of Dry Natural Gas in the United States, 1992-1998
(Billion Cubic Feet)

| Year and Month | Dry Gas Production | Supplemental Gaseous Fuels ^a | Net Imports | Net Storage Withdrawals ^b | Balancing Item ^c | Consumption ^d |
|----------------------------|----------------------|---|--------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1992 Total | 17,840 | 118 | 1,921 | 173 | -508 | 19,544 |
| 1993 Total | 18,095 | 119 | 2,210 | -36 | -110 | 20,279 |
| 1994 Total | 18,821 | 111 | 2,462 | -286 | -400 | 20,708 |
| 1995 Total | 18,599 | 110 | 2,687 | 415 | -230 | 21,581 |
| 1996 | | | | | | |
| January | 1,591 | 12 | 249 | 723 | -2 | 2,574 |
| February | 1,504 | 11 | 221 | 462 | 138 | 2,335 |
| March | 1,592 | 11 | 226 | 333 | 46 | 2,209 |
| April | 1,570 | 9 | 227 | -119 | 139 | 1,826 |
| May | 1,598 | 6 | 244 | -339 | 67 | 1,576 |
| June | 1,555 | 8 | 214 | -388 | 65 | 1,454 |
| July | 1,591 | 8 | 222 | -382 | -3 | 1,436 |
| August | 1,590 | 8 | 221 | -358 | 4 | 1,465 |
| September | 1,531 | 8 | 227 | -379 | 12 | 1,399 |
| October | 1,558 | 9 | 236 | -210 | -62 | 1,531 |
| November | 1,537 | 10 | 238 | 272 | -161 | 1,896 |
| December | 1,576 | 10 | 259 | 387 | 35 | 2,266 |
| Total | 18,793 | 109 | 2,784 | 2 | 279 | 21,967 |
| 1997 | | | | | | |
| January | ^E 1,622 | ^E 13 | ^R 266 | 684 | ^R -68 | ^R 2,516 |
| February | ^E 1,477 | ^E 11 | ^R 228 | 358 | ^R 182 | 2,256 |
| March | ^E 1,628 | ^E 10 | ^R 241 | 155 | ^R 74 | ^R 2,108 |
| April | ^E 1,547 | ^E 9 | ^R 224 | -58 | ^R 72 | 1,794 |
| May | ^E 1,610 | ^E 9 | ^R 232 | -321 | ^R 70 | 1,601 |
| June | ^E 1,541 | ^E 7 | ^R 223 | -364 | ^R 50 | ^R 1,458 |
| July | ^E 1,593 | ^E 8 | ^R 225 | -281 | ^R 0 | ^R 1,546 |
| August | ^E 1,582 | ^E 9 | ^R 227 | -322 | ^R 26 | ^R 1,522 |
| September | ^E 1,546 | ^E 7 | ^R 226 | -336 | ^R 0 | ^R 1,445 |
| October | ^E 1,589 | ^E 9 | ^R 239 | -211 | ^R -93 | ^R 1,533 |
| November | ^E 1,574 | ^E 11 | ^R 259 | 189 | ^R -148 | 1,885 |
| December | ^{RE} 1,621 | ^E 12 | 246 | 533 | ^R -97 | ^R 2,316 |
| Total | ^{RE} 18,930 | ^E 116 | ^R 2,837 | 27 | ^R 70 | ^R 21,980 |
| 1998 | | | | | | |
| January | ^E 1,625 | ^E 12 | 267 | 466 | ^R 23 | ^R 2,393 |
| February | ^E 1,494 | ^E 10 | 237 | 299 | ^R 63 | ^R 2,102 |
| March | ^{RE} 1,626 | ^E 11 | 244 | 241 | -1 | ^R 2,122 |
| April | ^{RE} 1,551 | ^E 9 | ^{RE} 234 | -198 | ^R 105 | ^R 1,700 |
| May | ^E 1,631 | ^E 8 | ^{RE} 241 | -393 | ^R 100 | 1,589 |
| June | ^E 1,553 | ^E 7 | ^E 237 | -323 | -7 | ^E 1,467 |
| July(STIFS) | ^E 1,611 | ^E 9 | ^E 238 | ^{RE} -350 | ^E 35 | ^E 1,542 |
| August(STIFS) | ^E 1,603 | ^E 9 | ^E 244 | ^E -275 | ^E -21 | ^E 1,560 |
| 1998 YTD | ^E 12,694 | ^E 76 | ^E 1,941 | ^E -533 | ^E 296 | ^E 14,477 |
| 1997 YTD | ^E 12,601 | ^E 77 | 1,866 | -149 | 407 | 14,801 |
| 1996 YTD | 12,591 | 73 | 1,825 | -69 | 453 | 14,873 |

^a Supplemental gaseous fuels data are only collected on an annual basis except for the Dakota Gasification Inc. coal gasification facility which provides data each month. The ratio of annual supplemental fuels (excluding Dakota Gasification Inc.) to the sum of dry gas production, net imports, and net withdrawals from storage is calculated. This ratio, which varies between .0025 and .0037, is applied to the monthly sum of these three elements. The Dakota Gasification Inc. monthly value is added to the result to produce the monthly supplemental fuels estimate.

^b Monthly and annual data for 1991 through 1996 include underground storage and liquefied natural gas storage. Data for January 1997 forward include underground storage only. See Appendix A, Explanatory Note 7 for discussion of computation procedures.

^c Represents quantities lost and imbalances in data due to differences among data sources. See Appendix A, Explanatory Note 9, for full discussion.

^d Consists of pipeline fuel use, lease and plant fuel use, vehicle fuel, and deliveries to consuming sectors as shown in Table 3.

^R = Revised Data.

^E = Estimated Data.

^{RE} = Revised Estimated Data.

Notes: Data for 1992 through 1996 are final. All other data are preliminary unless otherwise indicated. Estimates for the most recent two 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.

Sources: 1992-1996: Energy Information Administration (EIA), *Natural Gas Annual 1996*, 1994-1995: EIA: Form EIA-627, "Annual Quantity and Value of Natural Gas Report" (1995 data only), Form EIA-857, "Monthly Report of Natural Gas Purchases and Deliveries to Consumers," Form EIA-191, "Monthly Underground Gas Storage Report," Form FPC-14, "Annual Report for Importers and Exporters of Natural Gas," Form EIA-857, "Monthly Report of Natural Gas Purchases and Deliveries to Consumers," EIA computations and *Natural Gas Annual 1996*. January 1997 through current month: EIA, Form EIA-895, "Monthly Quantity of Natural Gas Report," Form EIA-857, Form EIA-191, EIA computations, and estimates, Short-Term Integrated Forecasting System (STIFS) computations, and Office of Fossil Energy, U.S. Department of Energy, Natural Gas Imports and Exports. See Appendix A for discussion of computation and estimation procedures and revision policies.