

March 2, 2023

Week Ending 02-24-23	EIA Last Year	EIA 5-Year Avg.	Average Weekly Injection to Reach 4000 Bcf	Withdrawal Weeks Remaining
-81	-137	-134	377	5
EIA Level	EIA Level Last Year	EIA 5-Year Avg. Level	EIA Prior Week	Comparison to 5 Year Avg.
2114	1663	1772	-71	342

<u>Natural Gas</u> — The NYMEX natural gas futures price is \$2.816/MMBtu this morning. The March NYMEX natural gas settlement price is \$2.451/MMBtu.

The NYMEX average price for the next six months (March - August) is \$2.721.

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<u>Cushing Hub</u> – The EIA reported 40.4 million barrels of oil as of February 17th. One year ago, the hub had only 23.8 million barrels. The increase to more than 40 million barrels has been slow but steady since the beginning of the year. Cushing storage has grown as U.S. product has increased. The U.S. average crude oil production as of February 17th was 12.275 million barrels per day. A year ago, the average daily production was 11.575 million barrels according to the EIA.

<u>Rig Count</u> — The latest U.S. rig count by Baker Hughes shows a decline of 7 to 753 on February 24th as compared to the previous week's count, but an increase of 103 rigs when compared to mid-February 2022.

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NYMEX NG Price Summary Data as of 03-01-23			
Month	Price \$/MMBtu	Change	
April - '23	\$2.811	\$ 0.064	
12-month strip	\$3.527	\$ 0.069	
Summer 2023	\$3.172	\$ 0.078	
Winter 23-24	\$4.025	\$ 0.058	

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March 16, 2023

Week Ending 03-10-23	EIA Last Year	EIA 5-Year Avg.	Average Weekly Injection to Reach 4000 Bcf	Withdrawal Weeks Remaining
-58	-86	-77	676	3
EIA Level	EIA Level Last Year	EIA 5-Year Avg. Level	EIA Prior Week	Comparison to 5 Year Avg.
1972	1451	1594	-84	378

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<u>Cushing Hub</u>—The amount of crude oil held in storage at the Cushing Hub declined slightly in the past week according to the EIA. The EIA reported the total of crude in storage as of March 3rd was 39.8 million barrels, down from the 40.7 million barrels reported on February 24th. A year ago, on March 4th, the Cushing Hub held 22.2 million barrels. The increase in the past year was more than 79%.

<u>Rig Count</u> — Oklahoma's oil and gas rig count held steady in the past week while the national count dropped by 3 to 746, according to Baker Hughes. Oklahoma remained at 61 rigs. The U.S. count is still 83 higher than a year ago when there were 663 oil and gas rigs active. The oil rigs grew by 63 from a year ago while the number of gas rigs grew by 18.

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NYMEX NG Price Summary Data as of 03-15-23			
Month	Price \$/MMBtu	Change	
April - '23	\$2.439	\$(0.134)	
12-month strip	\$3.179	\$ (0.130)	
Summer 2023	\$2.815	\$ (0.156)	
Winter 23-24	\$3.689	\$ (0.093)	

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March 30, 2023

Week Ending 03-24-23	EIA Last Year	EIA 5-Year Avg.	Average Weekly Injection to Reach 4000 Bcf	Withdrawal Weeks Remaining
-47	15	-17	2147	1
EIA Level	EIA Level Last Year	EIA 5-Year Avg. Level	EIA Prior Week	Comparison to 5 Year Avg.
1853	1411	1532	-72	321

<u>Natural Gas</u> — The NYMEX natural gas futures price is \$2.127 /MMBtu this morning, two weeks ago the price was \$2.505/MMBtu. The April NYMEX natural gas settlement price is \$1.991/MMBtu. The natural gas market is "Bearish" and remains volatile with resistance between \$2.281 - \$2.38/MMBtu and support between \$2.166 - \$2.118/MMBtu.

The NYMEX settlement price in April 2023 is \$1.991/MMBtu
The NYMEX settlement price in 2006 was \$7.233/MMBtu
The NYMEX settlement price in 2012 was \$2.191/MMBtu
The NYMEX settlement price in 2017 was \$3.175/MMBtu
The NYMEX settlement price in 2021 was \$2.586/MMBtu
The NYMEX settlement price in 2022 was \$5.336/MMBtu

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<u>Electric utilities Performance Based Ratemaking bill dead in the Legislature</u> – The Petroleum Alliance of Oklahoma proclaimed victory in defeating the controversial Senate Bill 1103, which proposed a performance-based rate measure for utilities in the state. In an announcement, the Alliance said, "The bill is now dormant for the 2023 Legislative session". In addition to the Alliance, the OIEC, AARP, AG, PUD, Walmart, and others spoke against the bill in a Commission meeting earlier this week.

<u>Rig Count</u> — As of March 24th the U.S. rig count stands at 758, up 4 from the previous week and reflects a change from last year of +88.

<u>News at the Commission</u> Oklahoma Corporation Commissioner Bob Anthony made it clear at Tuesday's Commission meeting he won't let up in recovering what he contends are millions of dollars in "cost discrepancies" that consumers are paying in the 2021 storm securitizations used by PSO, ONG and OG&E. Commissioner Anthony said previous information on the original securitization showed cost discrepancies that were of significant difference. He alleges some of the underwriters were overpaid in the number of millions of dollars as reflected on some of the documents and that it was put into securitization over 25 to 28 years.

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NYMEX NG Price Summary Data as of 03-29-23			
Month	Price \$/MMBtu	Change	
April - '23	\$1.991	\$(0.139)	
12-month strip	\$2.983	\$ (0.457)	
Summer 2023	\$2.532	\$ (0.813)	
Winter 23-24	\$3.614	\$ 0.041	

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