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Definitions and Notes:

Coalbed Methane (CBM) is a naturally occurring gas, typically dry in Alberta, composed predominantly of methane, produced during the transformation of organic matter into coal.

Crude Bitumen is a naturally occurring viscous mixture, composed mainly of hydrocarbons heavier than Pentane, that may contain sulphur compounds, and that in its naturally occurring viscous state will not flow to a well.

Crude Oil is a mixture composed mainly of pentanes and some heavier hydrocarbons that may be contaminated with sulphur compounds, which is recovered or is recoverable at a well from an underground reservoir. It is liquid at the conditions under which its volume is measured or estimated and includes all other hydrocarbon mixtures so recovered or recoverable, except is not inclusive of raw gas, condensate, or crude bitumen.

Development Wells include the following Lahee classifications: Development, Development Service, Re-Entry, and Other wells. Exploratory Wells include the following Lahee classifications: Deep Pool Testing, Experimental, New Pool Wildcat, New Field Wildcat, Outpost, and Test Hole wells.

Horizontally drilled wells are identified by the well operator upon fulfilling data filing requirements under AER Directive 059. One of the filing requirements is to report a horizontal drill event for the well when the wellbore path achieves or exceeds an angle of 80 degrees from its vertical trajectory. Wells with one or more reported horizontal drill events are considered to be horizontal for this report. Wells licensed as horizontal are categorized as vertical/directional until well surveys have been received by the AER.

Natural gas is raw gas, marketable gas, or any constituent of raw gas, condensate, crude bitumen, or crude oil that is recovered in processing and is gaseous at the conditions under which its volume is measured or estimated.

Oil sands Evaluation Wells are wells drilled in a defined oil sands area for the purpose of evaluating oil sands deposits. These wells are drilled without the intention to produce hydrocarbons.

Other Wells include water, waste, brine, and miscellaneous wells.

Successful Wells are considered to be wells that are drilled and cased and not abandoned at the time of drilling.

Oilsands Evaluation Wells are drilled in an oilsands area to evaluate the oilsands and is not intended to produce hydrocarbons.

Other wells includes water, waste, brine, and miscellaneous wells.

Successful Wells drilled are cased and not abandoned at the time of drilling.

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DEVELOPMENT WELLS

2025	NATURAL GAS						COALBED METHANE						CRUDE OIL						CRUDE BITUMEN						OTHER						MONTHLY TOTAL				TOTAL	
Successful Wells	Vertical/Directional		Horizontal		Total		Vertical/Directional		Horizontal		Total		Vertical/Directional		Horizontal		Total		Vertical/Directional		Horizontal		Total		Vertical/Directional		Horizontal		Total		Vertical/Directional		Horizontal		Total Wells	Total Metres
	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres		
January	7	22,556	67	395,430	74	417,986	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	9,666	252	825,512	257	835,178	13	8,469	440	975,349	453	983,818	85	43,734	29	72,253	114	115,987	110	84,426	788	2,268,544	898	2,352,970
February	8	26,280	67	391,205	75	417,485	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	7,056	227	754,974	230	762,030	3	1,792	406	900,406	409	902,198	76	33,745	36	86,130	112	119,875	90	68,873	736	2,132,715	826	2,201,587
March	6	16,093	95	571,346	101	587,439	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4,785	216	774,197	219	778,982	3	1,351	477	1,085,238	480	1,086,589	54	21,195	37	72,953	91	94,148	66	43,424	825	2,503,735	891	2,547,158
April	2	5,232	77	473,566	79	478,798	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	121	448,295	121	448,295	2	1,175	404	904,205	406	905,380	0	0	26	68,256	26	68,256	4	6,407	628	1,894,321	632	1,900,728
May	0	0	52	332,817	52	332,817	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	104	387,873	104	387,873	3	3,279	398	911,221	401	914,499	4	1,983	43	97,874	47	99,857	7	5,261	597	1,729,785	604	1,735,046
June	1	1,452	66	422,701	67	424,153	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	979	161	512,597	163	513,576	8	5,191	358	773,011	366	778,202	7	6,121	45	91,657	52	97,778	18	13,743	630	1,799,966	648	1,813,708
July	0	0	76	430,151	76	430,151	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	15,985	277	806,495	287	822,480	4	2,607	458	959,143	462	961,750	7	9,674	34	75,103	41	84,777	21	28,266	845	2,270,893	866	2,299,159
August	3	7,005	73	429,027	76	436,032	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	14,620	240	732,459	246	747,079	1	557	537	1,120,298	538	1,120,855	8	10,657	42	90,956	50	101,613	18	32,839	892	2,372,740	910	2,405,579
September	3	7,989	94	548,616	97	556,605	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3,952	242	806,463	245	810,416	3	2,022	526	1,139,626	529	1,141,648	5	12,803	51	141,067	56	153,870	14	26,766	913	2,635,772	927	2,662,538
October	2	2,639	86	496,713	88	499,352	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	12,798	225	738,587	230	751,385	8	5,072	528	1,108,224	536	1,113,296	8	4,484	35	84,522	43	89,005	23	24,992	874	2,428,046	897	2,453,039
November	3	7,622	101	603,829	104	611,451	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	5,925	228	753,807	232	759,732	13	9,124	451	944,039	464	953,162	12	8,589	58	124,135	70	132,724	32	31,259	838	2,425,809	870	2,457,069
December	2	6,322	74	446,242	76	452,564	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	143	495,641	143	495,641	12	9,473	284	615,817	296	625,290	7	14,064	23	53,036	30	67,100	21	29,858	524	1,610,736	545	1,640,594
TOTAL	**37**	**103,190**	**928**	**5,541,643**	**965**	**5,644,832**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**41**	**75,766**	**2,436**	**8,036,900**	**2,477**	**8,112,666**	**73**	**50,111**	**5,267**	**11,436,577**	**5,340**	**11,486,688**	**273**	**167,047**	**459**	**1,057,942**	**732**	**1,224,989**	**424**	**396,114**	**9,090**	**26,073,061**	**9,514**	**26,469,175**

EXPLORATORY WELLS

2025	NATURAL GAS						COALBED METHANE						CRUDE OIL						CRUDE BITUMEN						OTHER						MONTHLY TOTAL				TOTAL	
Successful Wells	Vertical/Directional		Horizontal		Total		Vertical/Directional		Horizontal		Total		Vertical/Directional		Horizontal		Total		Vertical/Directional		Horizontal		Total		Vertical/Directional		Horizontal		Total		Vertical/Directional		Horizontal		Total Wells	Total Metres
	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres		
January	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3,042	10	38,872	13	41,914	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	3,042	10	38,872	13	41,914
February	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4,795	1	3,485	4	8,280	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	4,795	1	3,485	4	8,280
March	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	696	1	4,782	2	5,478	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	696	1	4,782	2	5,478
April	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
May	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2,065	0	0	1	2,065	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2,065	0	0	1	2,065
June	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	27,167	11	27,167	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	27,167	11	27,167
July	1	3,825	1	6,421	2	10,246	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	830	15	35,527	16	36,357	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	4,655	16	41,948	18	46,603
August	0	0	1	5,430	1	5,430	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2,083	4	8,215	6	10,298	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2,083	5	13,645	7	15,728
September	0	0	2	14,085	2	14,085	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	6,190	1	6,190	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	20,275	3	20,275
October	1	3,497	1	6,941	2	10,438	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2,230	1	6,055	2	8,285	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5,727	2	12,996	4	18,723
November	1	2,252	1	6,386	2	8,638	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	3,605	2	10,647	3	14,252	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	5,857	3	17,033	5	22,890
December	0	0	2	13,580	2	13,580	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	15,589	7	15,589	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	458	0	0	1	458	1	458	9	29,169	10	29,627
TOTAL	**3**	**9,574**	**8**	**52,843**	**11**	**62,417**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**13**	**19,346**	**53**	**156,529**	**66**	**175,875**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**458**	**0**	**0**	**1**	**458**	**17**	**29,378**	**61**	**209,372**	**78**	**238,750**
GRAND TOTAL	**40**	**112,763**	**936**	**5,594,486**	**976**	**5,707,249**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**0**	**54**	**95,112**	**2,489**	**8,193,429**	**2,543**	**8,288,541**	**73**	**50,111**	**5,267**	**11,436,577**	**5,340**	**11,486,688**	**274**	**167,505**	**459**	**1,057,942**	**733**	**1,225,447**	**441**	**425,492**	**9,151**	**26,282,433**	**9,592**	**26,707,925**

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Drilling Activity in Alberta - Oilsands Evaluation Wells

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2025	OILSANDS EVALUATION WELLS						MONTHLY TOTAL	
	Cold Lake		Athabasca		Peace River			
Successful Wells	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres	Wells	Metres
January	4	2,064	80	36,164	2	1,082	86	39,310
February	8	4,358	116	41,818	7	3,929	131	50,105
March	1	514	62	24,084	2	916	65	25,514
April	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
May	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
June	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
July	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	0
August	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
September	2	0	3	0	0	0	5	0
October	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
November	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
December	0	0	13	0	0	0	13	0
TOTAL	**22**	**6,936**	**275**	**102,066**	**12**	**5,927**	**309**	**114,928**

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