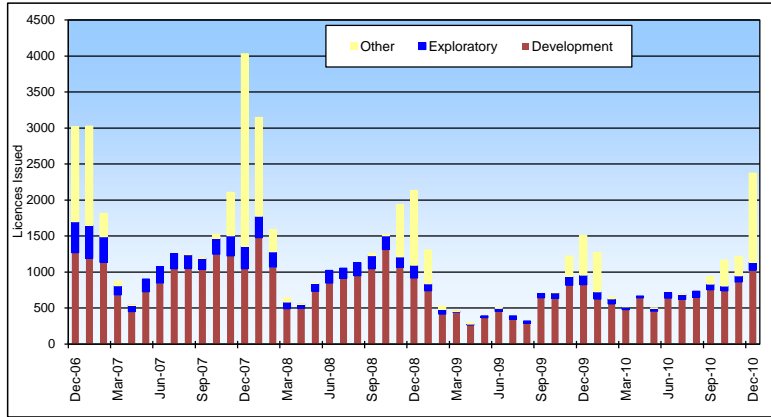


Monthly Well Licences

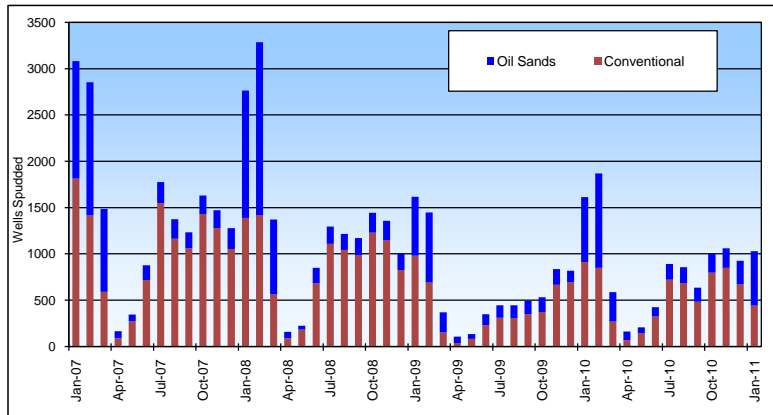


In 2010, 11,453 new licences were issued, up 38% from last year's 8,329 licences

	2010	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Development		623	558	475	641	455	638	619	651	750	738	857	1025	8030
Exploration		104	69	42	25	39	73	70	81	83	68	89	110	853
NPW		40	23	16	10	17	27	30	42	42	25	43	53	368
NFW		2		1	3	1		1	1	3	1	4	3	20
DPT		18	14	11	4	4	10	11	15	9	17	8	12	133
Outpost		44	32	14	8	17	36	28	23	29	25	34	42	332
Exper. & Eval. Licences		546	29	4		8	3	4	3	106	357	269	1241	2570
Total		1273	656	521	666	502	714	693	735	939	1163	1215	2376	11453

Source: Alberta Energy Resources Conservation Board

Alberta Wells Spudded

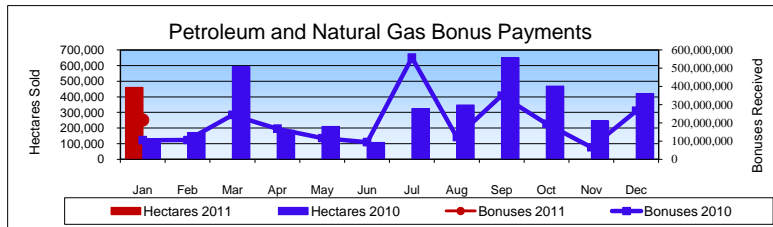


The 1,029 spuds reported in January were down 36% from last January when 1,612 spuds were reported. This is the lowest number of spuds for the month of January since 1994 when there were 838 spuds (701 conventional, 137 oil sands).

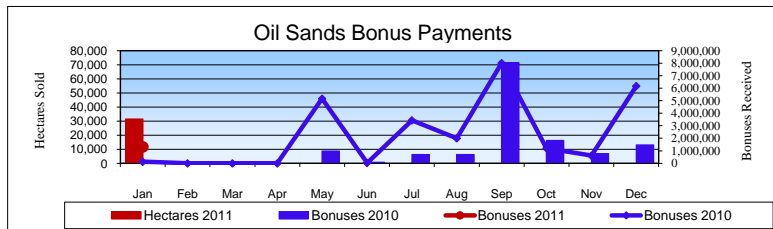
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2007													
Conventional	1814	1416	589	89	273	718	1548	1164	1061	1431	1277	1053	12,433
Oil Sands	1268	1437	895	75	73	160	226	212	171	201	196	225	5,139
2008													
Conventional	1388	1419	564	91	181	682	1110	1042	986	1229	1147	824	10,663
Oil Sands	1374	1868	808	69	44	168	186	172	184	216	210	176	5,475
2009													
Conventional	982	689	150	39	84	232	312	307	350	374	668	693	4,880
Oil Sands	635	757	218	68	51	116	133	137	144	157	167	127	2,710
2010													
Conventional	910	850	268	69	143	324	721	683	482	798	851	672	6,771
Oil Sands	702	1017	318	92	64	102	170	175	153	204	210	254	3,461
2011													
Conventional	443												443
Oil Sands	586												586

Source: Alberta Energy Resources Conservation Board

Petroleum & Natural Gas & Oil Sands Land Sales



The first two land sales of 2011 earned \$216.8 million with an average price per hectare of \$441.31. The January 2010 bonus payments of \$105 million were much lower, but the average price per hectare was higher at \$786.16.

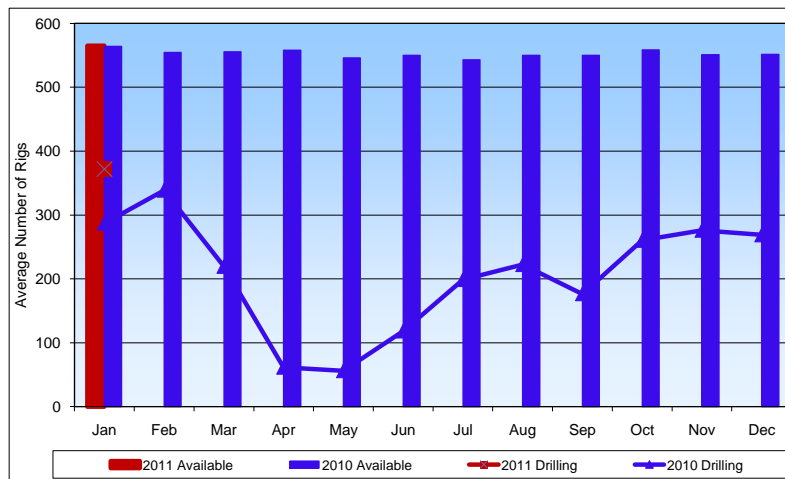


Petroleum and Natural Gas Rights	Jan-11	Jan-10	YTD 2011	YTD 2010
Bonuses	\$215,511,132.01	\$104,896,033.34	\$215,511,132.01	\$104,896,033.34
Hectares	459820.52	132564.87	459820.52	132564.87
Average Price per Hectare (Cdn\$)	\$468.69	\$791.28	\$468.69	\$791.28

Oil Sands Rights	Jan-11	Jan-10	YTD 2011	YTD 2010
Bonuses	\$1,306,339.92	\$125,990.40	\$1,306,339.92	\$125,990.40
Hectares	31488.00	1024.00	31488.00	1024.00
Average Price per Hectare (Cdn\$)	\$41.49	\$123.04	\$41.49	\$123.04

Source: Alberta Department Energy

Alberta Rig Activity

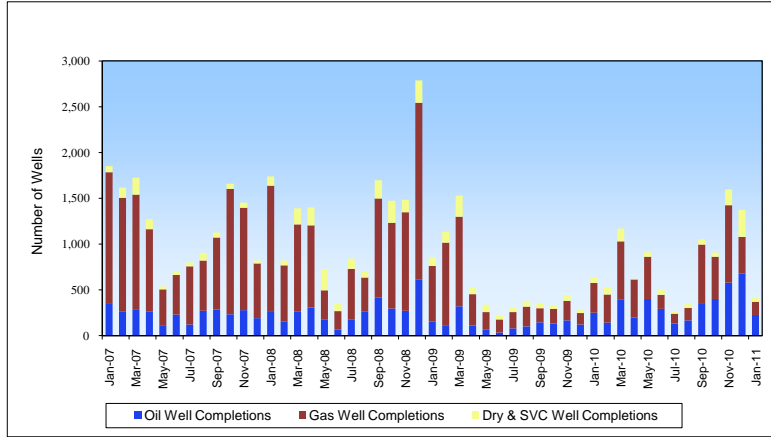


Compared to January 2010, when there were 287 active drilling rigs, this January's active rig count has increased 30% to 372 working rigs. The 565 available rigs has remained about the same.

January	Drilling	Down	Available	Rig Util. Jan-11	Rig Util. Jan-10
Alberta	372	193	565	66%	51%
Saskatchewan	78	34	112	70%	57%
British Columbia	57	35	92	62%	62%
Northwest Territories		1	1		29%
Manitoba	13	5	18	72%	60%
Canada	521	267	788	66%	53%

Source: Canadian Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors

Alberta Well Completions



The 413 well completions reported in January are down 36% from January 2010. In January, there were 226 oil well completions reported, down 11% from a year ago, and 145 gas well completions, down 55% .

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	
2007	Oil Wells	357	263	291	263	116	229	123	271	285	234	191	2,904	
	Gas Wells	1429	1242	1250	899	389	436	635	549	789	1369	1117	10,703	
	Dry & Service	67	113	184	109	34	33	41	86	53	56	32	864	
2008	Oil Wells	270	158	263	309	174	68	176	262	414	297	272	613	3,276
	Gas Wells	1370	610	952	897	322	202	554	372	1084	937	1075	1929	10,304
	Dry & Service	99	54	175	196	223	83	111	70	200	241	136	247	1,835
2009	Oil Wells	156	116	321	111	71	36	79	101	146	132	169	121	1,559
	Gas Wells	606	899	979	342	187	143	178	217	155	160	212	127	4,205
	Dry & Service	96	120	230	73	81	42	49	61	54	35	63	35	939
2010	Oil Wells	253	144	397	198	400	295	131	168	357	402	579	676	4,000
	Gas Wells	324	308	632	418	462	153	110	135	638	461	847	403	4,891
	Dry & Service	62	79	141	6	51	56	26	43	59	46	169	294	1,032
2011	Oil Wells	226											226	
	Gas Wells	145											145	
	Dry & Service	42											42	

Source: Daily Oil Bulletin, Nickle's Energy, Information, and Technology
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