

Our mission is to serve Texas by our stewardship of natural resources and the environment, our concern for personal and community safety, and our support of enhanced development and economic vitality for the benefit of Texans.

Texas Oil & Gas Production Set New Record and Broke Historic Highs in 2023

The RRC regulates the Texas oil and gas industry and tallies production reports submitted by operators.

Both oil and gas production set new records and are above pre-Covid level. Oil production hit a record 1.92 billion barrels in 2023, which was 51 million barrels more than the previous record.

Operators produced 12.01 trillion cubic feet of natural gas in 2023, beating the previous record by more than 13%.

With Texas setting oil and gas production records also means great news for state funding. The revenue generated from oil and gas production pays for Texas schools, roads, and the Texas Economic Stabilization Fund, the state savings account, which is commonly called the Rainy Day Fund, benefiting every Texan.



April Safe Digging Month

The number one cause of pipeline incidents is when excavators do not call 811 to have underground utilities located, according to RRC statistics for 2023.

Earlier this month Governor Greg Abbott issued a proclamation emphasizing 811 and recognizing April as Safe Digging Month to bring awareness of the serious public safety consequences should pipeline or other underground utilities be damaged anywhere in Texas.

Calling 811 is free but must be made at least two business days before digging. Locator personnel are dispatched to the digging site to mark the location of underground pipelines and utilities with flags, spray paint or both.

Location requests can also be filed online at the Texas 811 website at <https://www.texas811.org/>.

To see 2023 statistics in more detail, visit [RRC's Damage Prevention Statistics webpage](#).