

The NewsRoom

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**Hurricane Katrina/Hurricane Rita
Evacuation and Production Shut-in Statistics Report
as of Thursday, December 15, 2005**

Next Report will be issued on Monday, December 19, 2005 at 1:00 PM CST
For information concerning the storm click on www.mms.gov

This survey reflects 52 companies' reports as of 11:30 a.m. Central Standard Time.

Districts	Lake Jackson	Lake Charles	Lafayette	Houma	New Orleans	Total
Platforms Evacuated	3	40	27	7	49	126
Rigs Evacuated	0	0	0	0	0	0
Oil, BOPD Shut-in	1,514	41,686	47,347	51,446	284,289	426,282
Gas, MMCF/D Shut-In	160.19	475.83	455.67	357.47	778.59	2,227.74

****These statistics reflect evacuations and shut-in production from Hurricanes Katrina and Rita (remaining)****

MMS is now issuing Hurricane Katrina/Hurricane Rita Evacuation and Production Shut-in Statistics twice a week. The report will be posted on the www.mms.gov website at 2:00 p.m. EST on Mondays and Thursdays. In the last few days there has been minimal improvement in the production numbers and this appears to be a trend that will continue with incremental movement over the next several months.

These evacuations are equivalent to 15.38% of 819 manned platforms and 0.00% of 134 rigs currently operating in the Gulf of Mexico (GOM).

Today's shut-in oil production is 426,282 BOPD. This shut-in oil production is equivalent to 28.42 % of the daily oil production in the GOM, which is currently approximately 1.5 million BOPD.

Today's shut-in gas production is 2.228 BCFPD. This shut-in gas production is equivalent to 22.28% of the daily gas production in the GOM, which is currently approximately 10 BCFPD.

The cumulative shut-in oil production for the period 8/26/05-12/15/05 is 102,973,119 bbls, which is equivalent to 18.808% of the yearly production of oil in the GOM (approximately 547.5 million barrels).

The cumulative shut-in gas production 8/26/05-12/15/05 is 532.932 BCF, which is equivalent to 14.601 % of the yearly production of gas in the GOM (approximately 3.65 TCF).

These cumulative numbers reflect updated production numbers from all previous reports. The reports only represent input received by 11:30 a.m. CST. If a company does not report by 11:30 a.m. it is not included in the special information release, but it is included in the cumulative shut-in production. This may result in an apparent increase in the cumulative report amount.

Shut-ins for oil and gas production are standard procedures conducted by industry for safety reasons. Once facilities have been inspected and all standard checks have been completed the production for these facilities will be brought back on line.

The MMS will continue to update the shut-in statistics at 1:00 PM CST on Mondays and Thursdays until these statistics are no longer significant.

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The MMS would like to inform everyone that it activated its Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP) for Hurricane Rita on Thursday, September 22nd. To contact the MMS COOP team please call the COOP Operations Center at (281) 873-1962.

All incidents caused by Hurricane Rita are to be reported accordingly to the COOP team at the numbers provided above or faxed to (281) 873-1962. MMS Employees should use the phone numbers on the [GOM MMS Employee Emergency Information](#) page.

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